

MA/CAGS in School Psychology



As a school psychologist, you will apply advanced expertise in learning, behavior, and mental health to serve children, families, schools, and communities. Our MA/CAGS program will uniquely prepare you to meet the unprecedented demand for highly skilled, confident, and culturally responsive leaders in school-based mental health.

Program Information

The MA/CAGS in School Psychology at William James College is a 3-year program accredited by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP). You'll earn 66 credits, and the curriculum is competency based. All courses are offered on-campus. The program meets the qualifications for licensure/certification in Massachusetts and in many other states.

Experiential Education

Right from your first semester, you will be in field placement sites, working closely with highly skilled supervisors and participating in clinical seminars with your peers. As part of the first year practicum, students receive a unique and valuable introduction to clinical work through **Primary Project**, an evidence-based preventative mental health program. Throughout the MA/CAGS program, you will participate in the following field experiences:

- Year 1: One and a half days per week practicum in an elementary school setting
- Year 2: Two and a half days per week practicum in a secondary school setting
- · Year 3: Full-time internship in the final year



"I really value how William James is all about psychology. You're working and learning beside professional psychologists, many of whom are working currently in the field."

Rose Turner Alumna



Paying for School

All applicants who apply for the MA/CAGS in School Psychology will be considered for a merit scholarship up to \$15,000. Learn more about additional scholarships (such as the School Psychology Commitment to Social Justice, the Serving the Mental Health Needs of the Underserved, and the Cynthia Lucero Scholarship) and other funding opportunities at www.williamjames.edu/scholarships.

Why William James College?

- Study in a dynamic learning environment that is 100% focused on psychology, behavioral health, and leadership.
- Engage in experiential education opportunities, which equip you with skills to immediately apply to your workplace.
- Work to meet society's evolving behavioral health and leadership needs through culturally responsive training.
- Find a supportive environment to enhance your personal and professional growth through mentorship, networking, and opportunities to connect with faculty and peers across the College.

Career Outlook

School psychology is a challenging and rewarding profession for which there continues to be high demand—there is particular need for school psychologists who are culturally and linguistically diverse. As a graduate of this program, you will be fully qualified for certification or licensure through the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education in Massachusetts and in other states. You may wish to work in public, private, charter, or other school systems providing assessment, consultation, counseling, program development and evaluation, as well as collaborating with parents, teachers, administrators, and community providers.

After working as a school psychologist for two years and meeting other requirements, you can apply for Massachusetts licensure as an educational psychologist and practice privately. (Credentialing requirements for private practice vary from state to state.)



Take the Next Step with William James College

Schedule a 1/1 conversation with admissions

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School Psychologist is ranked in the top five best social service jobs by the U.S. News and World Report.

Focus Your Training with One of Our Concentrations

Program Concentration

 Children and Families of Adversity and Resilience

College-Wide Concentrations

- African and Caribbean Mental Health
- · Asian Mental Health
- · Global Mental Health
- Latino Mental Health
- Military and Veterans Psychology

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- A baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution
- \$60 application fee
- Completed application form
- Three letters of recommendation
- Curriculum Vitae or Resume
- Application Essay
- Official Transcripts
- Re-Application Statement, if applicable
- Change of Career Statement, if applicable



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