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## Purpose and Goals

The Department of Psychology offers a PhD in Clinical Adolescent Psychology. The mission of the program is to provide opportunities for diverse doctoral candidates to obtain a quality education that facilitates their advancement as clinical psychology researchers and practitioners equipped to work in a multicultural society. To better serve society, doctoral candidates will learn about clinical and research practices that are ethical, sensitive to culture, and supported by evidence.

The pass-through Master of Science in Clinical Adolescent Psychology is utilized to recognize the completion of a portion of the PhD program; but are not admitted into candidacy for the doctorate. No students are admitted into the master's degree; it is only awarded as a pass-through degree after the completion of the first three years of coursework in the PhD program and the successful defense of the empirical masters thesis.