

DOCTORATE



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COMMUNITY PSYCHOLOGY DOCTORATE

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REQUIRED COURSES:

LAP 600 Introductory Seminar on Community Psychology	1
LAP 601 Pilot Research in Community Psychology	1 TO 3
LAP 605 Principles of Community Psychology	3
LAP 610 Community Prevention and Intervention Approaches to Social Problems	3
LAP 615 Community Organizing	3
LAP 620 Advanced Community Development Planning and Policy	3
LAP 625 Advanced Quantitative Methodology in Community Psychology	3
LAP 630 Advanced Qualitative Methodology in Community Psychology	3
LAP 635 Statistics for Community Psychology	3
LAP 640 Survey Design and Introduction to Statistical Software and Analysis	3
LAP 645 Social Marketing and Thought Leadership	3
LAP 650 Principles of Consultation in the Community and Consultation Proposal	4
LAP 655 Grant Writing Focused on Community Needs	3
LAP 660 Professional Writing for Community Psychology I	3
LAP 661 Professional Writing for Community Psychology II	3
LAP 662 Leadership and Organizational Change	3
LAP 665 Advanced Theoretical Foundations of Community Psychology	3
LAP 670 Cross-Cultural Dynamics in Context	4
LAP 685 Urban Politics and the Community	3
LAP 690 Consultation in Community Psychology	1 TO 3
LAP 693 Seminar in Program Evaluation	3
LAP 698 Dissertation Proposal Seminar	3
LAP 699 Dissertation in Community Psychology	1 TO 6

National Louis University's Doctorate of Philosophy in Community Psychology aims to develop skills necessary to promote positive change at a systemic level between individuals, organizations and communities. Throughout the program, you will gain essential psychological, research and collaborative skills to address an array of social problems including, but not limited to, poverty, affordable housing, urban education, child abuse, substance abuse, violence, health and the environment. The Ph.D. in Community Psychology provides training in quantitative and qualitative methods, grant writing, prevention and intervention, evaluation, advocacy, community development, policy change and other areas. The program can prepare you for jobs as an educator, professor, program director, policy developer, consultant or researcher within universities, government agencies and community organizations, among other fields.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Individuals with Master's degrees in the Lake County and surrounding communities

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

- Complete application, available at <https://nl.edu/apply-now/>
- Submit official transcripts showing completion of a master's degree.
- Completion of a bachelor's degree from a school with institutional accreditation must be verified.
- Submit three professional letters of recommendation
- Submit personal statement that discusses your core beliefs about community psychology and the role of community psychologists in addressing social problems.
- Submit an interest statement that explains why you want to earn a Ph.D. in Community
- Psychology — what is it about your personal background, experience and/or career level that make this a good choice for you at this time.
- Submit a written statement reflecting the applicant's research interest
- Have completed a master's thesis. Applicants without a master's thesis will be considered for admission but are required to complete a thesis or thesis equivalent.
- Sit for a faculty interview
- Admission requirements subject to change. See Enrollment.

COST:

2023-2024 Tuition \$800 per semester
hour/partnership scholarship may apply

ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

Fall, Winter, Spring

DELIVERY MODE:

Hybrid with in-person at University Center

TOTAL HOURS NEEDED:

Total hours (with thesis/Pilot Research) 69
Total hours (without thesis/Pilot Research) 72

SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS:

The Community Psychology program at National Louis University is unique in that it affords the opportunity for students to further develop the research they completed in their master's degrees and incorporate that work in the Ph.D. program. The program is designed to be completed in as little as three years. Core principles of Community Psychology include prevention rather than intervention, promotion of ecological principles to better understand the connection between individuals, communities and societies and a strong foundation in research and evaluation. Providing the tools for communities to build on their own strengths to create positive change is a hallmark of Community Psychology.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

<https://nl.edu/media/nledu/content-assets/documents/student-services/office-of-the-registrar/academic-calendars/2024--2029-Five-Year-Academic-Calendar.pdf>