## **Plan of Study**

Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hours	Method
Summer 1 (Session 1)			
EDPSYCH 6240	Introduction to School Psychology	3	Online
Semester 1 (Fall)			
MEASRES 6283	Academic Assessment and Interventions	4	Hybrid
MEASRES 6270	Program Evaluation	3	Online
Semester 2 (Spring)			
MEASRES 6282	Individual Intellectual Assessment	4	Hybrid
Summer 2 (Session 1 & 2)			
SPED 6260	Special Education Law and Policy	3	Online
MEASRES 6284	Psychosocial Assessment	4	Hybrid
Semester 3 (Fall)			
EDPSYCH 6270	Behavioral Interventions in School Settings	3	Online
EDPSYCH 6290	Practicum III	2	Online
Semester 4 (Spring)			
EDPSYCH 6272	Systems Level Consultation	3	Online
EDPSYCH 6290	Practicum IV	3	Online
Summer 3 (Session 1 & 2)			
MEASRES 6287	Early Childhood Assessment & Intervention	3	Hybrid
EDPSYCH 6260	Counseling Intervention in School	3	Online
Semester 5 - Semester 6 (Fall, Spring)			
EDPSYCH 6291	Internship in School Psychology	6	Online

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# Rural Iowa Grow Your Own School Psychologist Program



# **About the Program**

The proposed project will train additional school psychologists within a nationally approved school psychology program to decrease the delay of, and improve access to, mental health services in high need, rural areas of western, central, and southern lowa. The proposed innovative partnership between the University of Northern Iowa's (UNI) School Psychology Program and rural Iowa Area Education Agencies (AEAs) will bring more mental health supports and services to students of rural lowa by implementing a "grow your own" school psychology program targeting special education professionals currently working in these areas of the state. Individuals selected to be in the program will have to make a three-year commitment to working in a rural district in one of the three AEAS.

We will focus our efforts in Iowa's most rural and needy communities. UNI will partner with Great Prairie Area Education Agency (GPAEA), Central Rivers Area Education Agency (CRAEA), and Northwest Area Education Agency (NWAEA). These three AEAs serve local school districts in all or part of 52 Iowa counties.

School psychologists are a unique and often untapped resource for students. The National Association of School Psychologists (NASP, 2020) recommends 1 school psychologist for every 500 students. Data gathered from lowa's nine Directors of Special Education suggested that the ratio of students to school psychologists across lowa is 1:1734. CRAEA has a school psychologist-to-student ratio of 1:2016, NWAEA has a school psychologist-to-student ratio of 1:2500, and GPAEA has the lowest ratio in the state with 1 school psychologist for every 4379 students.

## Grow Your Own Benefits

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#### **Program Costs**

Students will have greatly reduced tuition Students will be responsible for \$75 per credit and a \$40 technology fee per class. The cost of a typical credit is \$539.





Class related travel expenses reimbursed



The grant will cover the costs of books.



Praxis test costs and Initial BOEE license fees reimbursed





trained in NASP's
PREPaRE model
for crisis and
response

#### For More Information

Contact David VanHorn at david.vanhorn@uni.edu.

# **Admissions**

## **Application Deadline**

April 1, 2023

### **Apply At**

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### **Apply Under**

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#### **Admissions Decisions Before**

May 1, 2023

#### **Start Date**

June 2023