The mission of the Master of Arts in Psychological Research program at Texas State is to foster competence in the methodological foundations and conduct of psychological research across a wide variety of settings. The program has a strong empirical orientation and focus is placed on learning interpersonal, research, and statistical skills and competencies relevant to the responsible and ethical conduct of both basic and applied psychological research. This program is appropriate for individuals wishing to work in research settings or intending to pursue a doctoral degree in Psychology.

The Department of Psychology is housed in Trauth-Huffman Hall (THH), a LEED-certified building completed in June 2012. Current research facilities in the department include a saliva analysis laboratory, three state-of-the-art EEG systems, two eye-tracking systems, Doppler imaging equipment, state-of-the-art observation rooms, a sleep lab with dedicated EEG equipment, a dedicated computer lab for research, and a variety of other faculty research labs used for studies on addiction, cognition, exercise, sleep, and many other health-related issues. Faculty areas of expertise include clinical, neuropsychology, cognitive neuroscience, health psychology, quantitative psychology, developmental psychology, and social psychology, among others.

In accordance with the reclassification of Texas State as an Emerging Research University in January 2012, the Department of Psychology is committed to expanding its research agenda while retaining its lasting commitment to teaching. The department strongly supports the view that research and teaching are complementary activities. Thus, our goal is to gain national and international recognition as a research-oriented and teaching-intensive department.

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