PhD in Research and Evaluation Methodology: Full Funding Packages

The PhD program in Research and Evaluation Methodology (REM) at the University of Colorado Boulder provides advanced training for individuals who want to learn about research methodology in a deep way with an eye toward applying these skills to influence education policy and practice. Specializations within the program include applied statistics, psychometrics, qualitative methods, evaluation, and assessment. Relevant undergraduate degrees include anthropology, applied statistics, computer science, economics, education, history, mathematics, psychology, political science, and sociology. REM PhD graduates are highly successful in obtaining university faculty positions as well as positions with various state and federal agencies and research and development firms.

Program of Study

- All School of Education PhD students take intro and intermediate coursework in both qualitative and quantitative methods as well as survey courses in both teaching and learning and in educational foundations and policy. All REM students take additional methods courses in evaluation and in survey development and analysis.
- Quantitative specialists take advanced courses in latent variable modeling, multi-level modeling, causal inference and advanced topics in psychometrics.
- Qualitative specialists take advanced courses in ethnography, discourse analysis, and specialized courses in anthropology or sociology.
- REM is an interdisciplinary curriculum, and students are expected to take relevant coursework outside the School of Education in applied mathematics, economics, political science, psychology, sociology, or anthropology.
- Beginning with year one, REM students work closely with faculty advisors on research projects and attend bi-weekly “REM Seminars” with all REM faculty members.

Funding Packages

Funding Packages up to 5 years may be one of the following types:
- **Fellowship and Assistantship stipend:** A combination of a fellowship and a 25% time graduate assistantship for the first year, and a combination of a fellowship and 50% time assistantship for the second through fifth years.
- **50% time Graduate Assistantship stipend** for each of five years.

All students receive a funding package for five years with adequate progress; fellowships are awarded competitively.

Tuition Grants

All admitted PhD students also receive tuition grants equal to the cost of tuition (in-state or out-of-state) for the maximum number of semester hours.

How to Apply

Both School of Education and University of Colorado Boulder forms must be completed at: https://soa.prod.cu.edu/degreeprog/applyDEGREEPROG_CUBLD/login.action

Applications include:
- A personal statement of your plans for graduate study and your professional career
- Transcripts from all higher education institutions
- Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) General Test Scores (www.ets.org)
- Three letters of recommendation

**Deadline:** December 15th (Domestic) December 1st (International)

Contact Information

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