

“My work in Corrections inspired me to complete my doctorate in Psychology. After several years in the Doctoral Program at University of Louisville, my sagging finances required that I return to work before completing my degree. The EEAP tuition assistance that I received in 2009 has made it possible for me to continue meeting the requirements for my doctorate while continuing to work full time to support my family.

I am now working on my dissertation and hope to complete my doctorate in 2010. My goal is to continue to work in Corrections as a doctor of psychology. A completed dissertation requires a huge amount of hours invested in independent, scholarly work while maintaining paid enrollment as a doctoral candidate. EEAP assistance paid my candidacy tuition for the first semester of 2009. This helped me to avoid making a choice between quitting work to complete my dissertation (and risking financial problems) and giving up on the time, effort, and financial investment I had already made toward my doctorate.

Again, I am quite grateful for the EEAP support that helps me meet my personal goals as well as improve in my contribution to Kentucky Corrections.”

-Theresa Seitz, MEd

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