

# M.S. in Psychology

Students enrolled in the Clinical and Experimental Psychology doctoral programs earn a Master's of Science in Psychology as they work towards their doctorate, for course work completed along the way. This is not a stand-alone Master of Science in Psychology program.

## Admission Requirements

In addition to the general requirements of the Graduate School, the applicant must:

1. Have a minimum 3.0 grade point average (preferred not required) during the last two years of undergraduate study.
2. A Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts with an undergraduate major in psychology or the equivalent.
3. Passing grades in undergraduate courses in research methods and statistics.
4. Sufficient exposure to fundamental core areas in psychology to be successful at the graduate level.
5. Recommendation by the Experimental or Clinical Admissions Committee of the Department of Psychology. The Clinical and Experimental Admissions Committees only admit students into the combined Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy course of study.

## General Requirements

The MS in Psychology degree is earned after the successful completion of at least 36 semester credit hours of approved course work. Students deficient in area prerequisites may be required to enroll in additional course work and/or experience limitation of choices. Students admitted by the Clinical Admissions Committee must complete the Clinical Area Requirements, but may waive one Area requirement course if they passed an advanced undergraduate course (or courses) that provided broad exposure to subject matter addressed in that course. Course materials must be reviewed and approved by a content expert in the department before permission to waive a course is given. Students admitted by the Experimental Admissions Committee must complete the Experimental Area Requirements. Students admitted by either committee cannot earn more than one master's degree in Psychology.

### Select either Clinical or Experimental Area.

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Clinical Area Requirements</b>		
<b>Required Courses</b>		
PSYC 6627	Statistics and Research Design I	3
PSYC 6632	Statistics and Research Design II	3
PSYC 6650	Thesis	6
<b>Core Courses (Select three of the following): 9</b>		
PSYC 5531	Behavioral Neuroscience I	
or PSYC 5532	Behavioral Neuroscience II	
or PSYC 5537	Cognitive Neuroscience	
or PSYC 5539	Social Neuroscience	
PSYC 5570	Advanced Topics in Learning	
PSYC 6642	Cognitive Psychology	
PSYC 6643	Advanced Social Psychology	
PSYC 6644	Advanced Developmental Psychology	

PSYC 6647	Advanced Personality	
<b>Clinical Courses 10</b>		
PSYC 5512	Ethical and Professional Issues in Psychology	
PSYC 6620	Psychodiagnostics I	
PSYC 6621	Psychodiagnostics II	
PSYC 7701	Clinical Psychology	
<b>Total Minimum Hours for Clinical Students</b>		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>31</b>

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Experimental Area Requirements</b>		
<b>Required Courses</b>		
PSYC 6627	Statistics and Research Design I	3
PSYC 6632	Statistics and Research Design II	3
PSYC 6650	Thesis	6
<b>Core Area (Select four of the following): 12</b>		
PSYC 5531	Behavioral Neuroscience I	
or PSYC 5532	Behavioral Neuroscience II	
or PSYC 5537	Cognitive Neuroscience	
or PSYC 5539	Social Neuroscience	
PSYC 5570	Advanced Topics in Learning	
PSYC 6642	Cognitive Psychology	
PSYC 6643	Advanced Social Psychology	
PSYC 6644	Advanced Developmental Psychology	
PSYC 6647	Advanced Personality	
Electives		12
Experimental students must also complete 12 credits of elective classes. Up to six credits may be taken outside the Psychology Department. Electives should be approved by the faculty advisor.		
<b>Total Minimum Hours for Experimental Students</b>		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>36</b>