Requirements for Completion of the Ph.D. Program

All formal requirements for completion of the Ph.D. are described in the Clinical Psychology Doctor of Philosophy Program Handbook and may vary from one student to another depending on previous academic preparation. The following guidelines are offered to demonstrate the nature of the doctoral program and should not be misconstrued as representing the formal requirements for a Ph.D.

1. A course of study beyond the master’s degree designed in consultation with the Director of Clinical Training that will provide the student with in-depth knowledge in the areas of research and statistics, the broad bases of psychology, and clinical psychology. This course of study is sequential, cumulative, graded in complexity, and designed to prepare students for further organized training.

2. Enrollment as a full-time student (i.e., a minimum of 9 credit hours per semester) on campus for at least four consecutive long (i.e., Fall, Spring) semesters.

3. An average of 3.0 (B) must be maintained by the student in all courses in which he/she registers after admission into the doctoral program. Students should consult the Program Handbook for a more detailed description of policies regarding academic standards.

4. Passing a written comprehensive examination or successfully defending a major area paper which integrates at least 3 core areas.

5. Completion and defense of a doctoral dissertation that is the product of original scholarly research and is of such quality as to represent a meaningful contribution to knowledge in the field of psychology.

6. Completion of a year-long pre-doctoral internship, during which the student works full-time in an applied clinical setting.

7. Completion of the degree within 6 years from the first semester of registration as a doctoral student.

Degree Requirements:
The Doctor of Philosophy in Clinical Psychology

The Doctoral Curriculum

General Psychology Courses

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Cognitive-Affective Basis of Behavior
- PSY 532 Advanced Social Psychology 3 SCH
- PSY 536 Advanced Cognitive Psychology or
- PSY 581 Advanced Learning Theory or
- PSY 792 Emotions 3 SCH
- PSY 588 Introduction to Experimental Design 3 SCH
- PSY 597 Advanced Developmental Psychology 3 SCH
- PSY 760 Multicultural Psychology 3 SCH

Total: 15 SCH

Required Clinical Psychology Courses
- PSY 530 Psychopathology 3 SCH
- PSY 533 Theory and Research in Psychotherapy I 3 SCH
- PSY 594 Psychometrics 3 SCH
- PSY 595 Assessment of Intelligence and Achievement 3 SCH
- PSY 596 Assessment of Personality and Psychopathology 3 SCH
- PSY 730 Clinical Psychology Proseminar 3 SCH
- PSY 736 Mental Health Law 3 SCH
- PSY 739 Developmental Psychopathology 3 SCH
- PSY 762 Ethics in Clinical Practice 3 SCH
- PSY 770 Empirically Supported Treatments 3 SCH
- PSY 860 Forensic Assessment I 3 SCH

Total: 33 SCH

Clinical Psychology Elective (select 2 of 3)
- PSY 534 Theory and Research in Psychotherapy II 3 SCH
- PSY 596 Assessment of Personality and Psychopathology 3 SCH
- PSY 733 Law and Social Psychology 3 SCH
- PSY 735 Law and Psychology 3 SCH
- PSY 774 Human Neuropsychology 3 SCH
- PSY 861 Forensic Assessment II 3 SCH

Total: 6 SCH

Practica and Internships
- PSY 691 Practicum I 3 SCH
- PSY 692/693 Practicum II/III, or
- PSY 882 Doctoral Clinical Practicum I (two sections needed) 6 SCH
- PSY 882 Doctoral Clinical Practicum I 3 SCH
- PSY 883 Doctoral Clinical Practicum II 9 SCH
- PSY 890 Internship I 1 SCH
- PSY 891 Internship II 1 SCH
- PSY 892 Internship III 1 SCH

Total: 24 SCH

Thesis
- PSY 698 Thesis I 3 SCH
- PSY 699 Thesis II 3 SCH

Total: 6 SCH
Dissertation

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Grand Total: 108 SCH

* Students entering with a master’s degree in psychology and have completed similar courses as part of their degree may have courses waived at the discretion of the Ph.D. Program faculty.

Graduate Courses

500-599 — introductory master’s courses open to master’s and doctoral students
600-699 — advanced master’s courses open to master’s and doctoral students
700-799 — introductory doctoral courses open to doctoral students and selected master’s students
800-899 — advanced doctoral courses open to doctoral students only

PSYCHOLOGY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

PSY 530 Psychopathology.
This course examines psychological disorders and involves review, critical evaluation, and integration of current scientific literature regarding diagnosis, phenomenology, and etiology. Issues in the application of the multiaxial diagnostic system in clinical practice are discussed.

PSY 531 Graduate Seminar in General Psychology.
This course surveys the science of psychology, providing an advanced synthesis of the scientific study of human behavior that includes the biological, perceptual, developmental, and social determinants of behavior, emotion, and cognition.

PSY 532 Advanced Social Psychology.
This course examines social factors that influence individual behavior. Integrative theoretical perspectives and emerging programs of research within the discipline are given specific consideration. Readings include a variety of original sources.

PSY 533 Theory and Research in Psychotherapy I.
This course is a comparative analysis of different systems and techniques of psychotherapy. The role of therapist, client, and setting are examined along with ethical principles.

PSY 534 Theory and Research in Psychotherapy II.
This course examines in detail selected advanced systems or techniques of psychotherapy, including group therapy, marital and family therapy, therapy for sexual dysfunction, or others. Content may vary from semester to semester.

PSY 535 Special Problems in Psychology.
This course allows for in-depth study in individually selected topics not specifically included in the formal course offerings. Prerequisite: Consent of department chair and instructor.

PSY 536 Advanced Cognitive Psychology.
This seminar-style course examines the major psychological issues related to cognition. Topics covered include attentional processes, memory, language, knowledge representations, decision making, problem solving, and cognitive neuroscience. By combining reading assignments in the textbook...