Psychology, PhD  
Department of Psychology, College of Arts & Sciences

Our PhD programs prepare students for applied, research, or teaching positions in the areas of Developmental Psychology, Industrial/Organizational Psychology and Neuroscience and Behavior.

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Admissions
Application Deadlines
• Fall: January 5

Program-Specific Requirements
• Graduate Record Examination (GRE)
• Three (3) Letters of Recommendation  
  From professors and individuals who can speak to the applicant’s potential for success in a graduate program.
• Statement of Purpose  
• Writing Sample (preferred APA style)  
• Resume

Degree Requirements
Concentrations
Student must select an area of concentration.

Students have ten (10) years to complete the PhD in Psychology from the time of filing a program of study.

Total Credit Hours: 90

Concentrations
Industrial/Organizational Psychology Concentration
Noted courses are required as part of our MA concentration in Industrial/Organizational Psychology. These courses or their equivalent will be required for students who have earned their MA from another institution.

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Included in MA Concentration in Industrial/Organization Psychology

Required Courses

Required Industrial/Organizational Courses

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Breadth Requirement
From list provided by area

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Statistics and Methods Courses

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Core Industrial/Organizational Courses

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Topical Seminar

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Practicum

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Research Other than Thesis

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Electives

Any course that is not required can serve as an elective as approved by the chair of the PhD committee. It is recommended that one course be taken outside the psychology department.

1  PSYC 9070: (May be waived and replaced)
2  PSYC 8000: (required)
3  Require all 4; 1 course taken as part of the MA
4  PSYC 9030: (topics will change); 2 required
5  PSYC 9950: (6 hours required for PhD); cannot be taken until AFTER completion of MA thesis
6  6 hours required.

Developmental Psychology Concentration

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Required Courses

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Empirical Research Coursework

Select at least 12 hours of Elective Coursework. Students will select at least 12 hours from the following:

- Statistical Analysis Coursework
  - PSYC 9650: RESEARCH METHODS IN PSYCHOLOGY
  - Eligible courses: PSYC 9510: RESEARCH METHODS IN DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY, PSYC 8316: PSYCHOLOGICAL AND EDUCATIONAL TESTING, PSYC 8520: FOUNDATIONS OF ASSESSMENT, PSYC 9320: SEMINAR IN PROGRAM EVALUATION, PSYC 9090: THEORY OF MEASUREMENT AND DESIGN, SOC 8060: QUALITATIVE METHODS
- Methods, Design and Evaluation Coursework
  - Required:
    - PSYC 9650: RESEARCH METHODS IN PSYCHOLOGY
  - Eligible courses:
    - PSYC 9510: RESEARCH METHODS IN DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY
    - PSYC 8316: PSYCHOLOGICAL AND EDUCATIONAL TESTING
    - PSYC 8520: FOUNDATIONS OF ASSESSMENT
    - PSYC 9320: SEMINAR IN PROGRAM EVALUATION
    - PSYC 9090: THEORY OF MEASUREMENT AND DESIGN
    - SOC 8060: QUALITATIVE METHODS
- Neuroscience and Behavior Concentration
  - Code
  - Title
  - Credits
  - Required Course
    - PSYC 9290: SEMINAR IN DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY
  - Electives
    - To be determined by the student's supervisory committee
  - Exit Requirement
    - PSYC 9990: PSYCHOLOGY DISSERTATION (12-30 Hours Required)

Human Diversity Coursework

- PSYC 8590: PSYCHOLOGY OF EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN
- Course in Cross-Cultural Development
- Elective Coursework
  - Select at least 12 hours of Elective Coursework. Students will also find eligible courses in (among other disciplines):
    - Child, Youth, and Family Studies
    - Sociology/Anthropology
    - Gerontology
    - Latino/Latin American Studies
    - Empirical Research Coursework

Neuroscience and Behavior Concentration

- Code
- Title
- Credits
- Required Course
  - PSYC 9290: SEMINAR IN DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY
- Electives
  - To be determined by the student's supervisory committee
- Exit Requirement
  - PSYC 9990: PSYCHOLOGY DISSERTATION (12-30 Hours Required)

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Special Performance Quality Rule

If at any time a grade of "C" (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) in graduate courses becomes a matter of record, a graduate student in the Department of Psychology will be placed on probation. An unexcused grade of "W" in a proseminar course will be considered equivalent to a grade of "C" for purposes of this policy. An excused "W" must be approved by the chair of the department of psychology. Students placed on this probation will forfeit any departmental graduate assistantship they may have and any approved programs of study will be subject to re-evaluation and change. Before registering for additional courses, a student placed on probation must, with the assistance and approval of his/her advisor, submit a plan for remediation of his/her academic problems, and have that plan approved by the Graduate Program Committee. The Graduate Program Committee will review and, if appropriate, modify the plan. Further, any enrollment in graduate courses must be approved by the Graduate Program Committee. The student will remain on probation until the Graduate Program Committee approves termination of probation status. If a student earns a second "C", the student will be dismissed from the program and the GPC will work to come up with a plan, and evaluate if it is possible for the student to return to the program at some point.