PSYCHOLOGY - MASTER OF ARTS

The department offers an MA degree in general experimental psychology. The program provides students with sufficient electives to emphasize a particular sub-area of experimental psychology. The program is designed to provide graduates with the tools and knowledge necessary for further training at the doctoral level or for employment in industry or government.

MA students are required to complete:

First Year Research Project
PSY 598 Special Research Programs 4-6

Core Course (corresponding to the student’s area of study): 3
PSY 524 Cognitive Psychology
PSY 527 Social Psychology
PSY 547 Engineering Psychology

Two other Content Courses: 6
PSY 520 Learning
PSY 522 Sensation and Perception
PSY 525 Behavioral Neuroscience
PSY 530 Human-Computer Interaction
PSY 531 Human Memory
PSY 535 Developmental Psychology
PSY 540 History and Systems of Psychology
PSY 543 Cognitive Neuroscience

The Quantitative Methods Sequence:
PSY 507 Quantitative Methods in Psychology I 3
PSY 508 Quantitative Methods in Psychology II 3
PSY 509 Quantitative Methods in Psychology III 3

Research Thesis:
PSY 590 Research Seminar in Psychology 1 6

1 Students are also encouraged to register for one credit of PSY 590 Research Seminar in Psychology each semester.

Graduate courses fall into five categories:

Core: PSY 524 Cognitive Psychology, PSY 527 Social Psychology, PSY 547 Engineering Psychology

Quantitative Methods: PSY 507 Quantitative Methods in Psychology I, PSY 508 Quantitative Methods in Psychology II, PSY 509 Quantitative Methods in Psychology III

Experimental Methods: PSY 510 Computer Methodology, PSY 523 Methods in Cognitive Psychology, PSY 550 Teaching of Psychology

Content: PSY 520 Learning, PSY 522 Sensation and Perception, PSY 525 Behavioral Neuroscience, PSY 530 Human-Computer Interaction, PSY 531 Human Memory, PSY 535 Developmental Psychology, PSY 540 History and Systems of Psychology, PSY 543 Cognitive Neuroscience,

Supervised Research (MA): PSY 598 Special Research Programs, PSY 599 Master’s Thesis

When offered, PSY 570 Special Topics may be considered content, quantitative methods, or experimental methods, depending on the specific course content.