

STUDENT'S PLAN OF STUDY Updated 8-9-18
MASTERS DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY (General Program)

Name: _____ MU ID Number: _____

Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

_____ Advisor: _____

Anticipated date of completion: _____ E-mail: _____

Month & Year you first enrolled in the program: _____

Your plan of study must contain at least 36 hours of credit, though students may complete significantly more, depending on their objectives. In addition, you must have at least 3 credits in each of the core areas 1-8 below. At least 50% of your classes must be at the 600 level. Students who were undergraduates at Marshall and took a 400-level version of a 500-level class and received an A or B should not take the 500-level version. They should find an alternative. You may take more than one class in each category. The extra classes taken in a category can be used as electives. Mark each class taken or to be taken with an "X". If the course has been completed, fill in the grade. (Notes: ¹In addition to meeting the course requirements listed below, students must also pass a comprehensive exam. Each student will have a maximum of three attempts to pass the comprehensive exam. If a student attempts the comprehensive exam and does not pass, it is their responsibility to meet with a representative from the comprehensive committee for summative/formative feedback. Additional information on the exam can be found on the department's website. ²There is a two-"C" rule. The department maintains a policy whereby students cannot continue in a graduate program if they earn more than one grade of "C" or lower in any graduate course pertaining to the plan of study (both required and elective courses). Psychology students who earn a second "C" (or lower) will not be permitted to continue taking courses and will be dismissed from the program. Upon receipt of a C (either first or second), the student should meet with their advisor to complete the required paperwork. ³A hold may be placed on a student's account if they have either obtained a C or failed an attempt at the comprehensive exam. This hold may prevent registration until such time as the student has met with their advisor.)

1.	BIOLOGICAL BASES OF BEHAVIOR (3 cr. each)	GRADE²
	_____ PSY 674 Biological Bases of Behavior	_____
	_____ Approved Alternative	_____

2.	STATISTICS (3 cr. each)	
	(PSY 517 is the required course here; if PSY 417 or its equivalent was taken as an undergraduate with a grade of A or B, an additional statistics course must be substituted, in consultation with the student's advisor.)	
	_____ PSY 517 Intermediate Behavioral Statistics	_____
	Alternative courses:	
	_____ PSY 623 Experimental Design	_____
	_____ PSY 624 Multivariate Analysis	_____
	_____ PSY 652 Advanced Regression Techniques	_____
	_____ Approved Alternative	_____

3.	ACQUIRED OR LEARNED BASES OF BEHAVIOR (3 cr.)	
	_____ PSY 672 Cognitive Psychology	_____
	_____ Approved Alternative	_____

4.	SOCIAL/CULTURAL BASES OF BEHAVIOR (3 cr. each)	
	(If either PSY 606 or PSY 503 or their equivalents were taken in an undergraduate program, the student must take the other course at the graduate level.)	
	_____ PSY 606 (formerly 502) Advanced Social Psychology	_____
	_____ Approved Alternative	_____

5.	DEVELOPMENTAL BASES OF BEHAVIOR (3 cr. each)	
	(Either PSY 615 or PSY 617 can be taken to fulfill this requirement.)	
	_____ PSY 615 Advanced Developmental Psychology	_____
	_____ Approved Alternative	_____

6.	Ethical and Legal Issues in Psychology (3 cr.)	
	_____ PSY 605 Ethical and Legal Issues in Psychology	_____

7.	PSYCHOMETRICS (3 cr. each)	
	(If PSY 406 or its equivalent was taken as an undergraduate with a grade of A or B, an acceptable alternative must be substituted, in consultation with the student's advisor.)	
	_____ PSY 506 Psychometrics	_____
	_____ Approved Alternative	_____

8. RESEARCH (3 cr. each)

All students must take the MA research seminar. Students who plan to do a thesis should develop their proposal in the seminar. They can then take 3-6 hours of thesis.

_____ PSY 690 or 692	MA Research Seminar	_____
_____ PSY 681 (3 or 6 hours)	Thesis (PR: PSY 517 or equivalent)	_____
_____ Approved Alternative	_____	_____

GENERAL ELECTIVES: (If more than one course was taken in any of the above categories it or they may also be used as electives.)

_____ PSY 508	Abnormal Psychology (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 515	Child Psychology (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 516	Learning and Memory (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 518	Psychology of Personnel (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 519	Theories of Personality (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 520	Introduction to I-O Psychology (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 526	Cross Cultural Psychology (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 527	Computer Applications in Psychology (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 533	Current Models of Psychotherapy (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 540	Physiological Psychology (3cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 543	Health Psychology (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 560	History and Systems (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 580-583	Special Topics (1-4 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 585-588	Independent Study (1-4 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 600	Teaching of Psychology (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 618	Psychopharmacology (1 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 627	Social Psychological Bases of Groups (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 650	Seminar in Performance Appraisal (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 656-657	Research in Psychology (1-3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 675-679	Practicum in Teaching (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 679	Testing in I-O Psychology (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 683	Internship in Industrial Organization (3 cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 685-686	Independent Study (3cr.)	_____
_____ PSY 690-695	Seminar (1-3 cr.)	_____

APPROVED COURSES FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR PROGRAMS

Course Prefix & Number	Title	
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION¹ _____

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED: 36

Student's signature date Advisor's signature date

Program Coordinator's signature date Dean's signature date

Endorsement for Graduation: _____
Advisor's signature date

NOTE: This plan should be agreed to and signed by all parties prior to the end of the student's first semester in the program.

⁴Transfer of credit for a required area must be done at the time of the initial Plan of Study and listed in the approved alternative area. If this Plan of Study is later revised, the Program Coordinator must approve the change by signing and dating here:
