

**STUDENT'S PLAN OF STUDY** Effective 02/2012  
**MA DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY EMPHASIS IN SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MU ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated date of completion: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Month & Year you first enrolled in the program: \_\_\_\_\_

For students enrolling in the School Psychology Emphasis track the first course listed is the preferred class.

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. (Note: In addition to meeting the course requirements listed below, students must pass a comprehensive exam. Information on the exam can be found on the department's website.) Transfer 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:

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1.	<b>BIOLOGICAL BASES OF BEHAVIOR (3 cr. each)</b>	<b>GRADE</b>
_____	SPSY 674 Biological Basis of School Psychology	_____
_____	PSY 674 Biological Bases of Behavior	_____
_____	Approved Alternative _____	_____
2.	<b>STATISTICS (3 cr. each)</b> (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 623 Experimental Design	_____
_____	PSY 517 Intermediate Behavioral Statistics	_____
	Alternative courses:	
_____	PSY 624 Multivariate Analysis	_____
_____	PSY 651 Advanced Nonparametric Techniques	_____
_____	PSY 652 Advanced Regression Techniques	_____
_____	Approved Alternative _____	_____
3.	<b>ACQUIRED OR LEARNED BASES OF BEHAVIOR (3 cr.)</b>	
_____	SPSY 675 Cognitive Foundations of School Psychology	_____
_____	PSY 672 Cognitive Psychology	_____
_____	Approved Alternative _____	_____
4.	<b>SOCIAL/CULTURAL BASES OF BEHAVIOR (3 cr. each)</b> (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 526 Cross-Cultural Psychology	_____
_____	PSY 606 (formerly 502) Advanced Social Psychology	_____
_____	Approved Alternative _____	_____
5.	<b>DEVELOPMENTAL BASES OF BEHAVIOR (3 cr. each)</b>	
_____	SPSY 616 Typical & Atypical Child Development	_____
_____	PSY 615 Advanced Developmental Psychology	_____
_____	PSY 617 Applied Developmental Psychology	_____

\_\_\_\_\_ Approved Alternative \_\_\_\_\_

**6. ETHICAL AND LEGAL ISSUES IN PSYCHOLOGY (3 cr.)**

\_\_\_\_\_ PSY 605 Ethical and Legal Issues in Psychology \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Approved Alternative \_\_\_\_\_

**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 \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ SPSY 621 Data Based Decision Making I \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_

**REQUIRED COURSES FOR SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY AREA OF EMPHASIS:  
(For Admitted Ed.S. School Psychology Students ONLY)**

\_\_\_\_\_ SPSY 601 Schools as Systems (3 cr.) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ SPSY 617 School Consultation (3 cr.) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ SPSY 618 Instructional Methods and Behavior Modification (3 cr.) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ SPSY 619 Individual and Group Counseling (3 cr.) \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED COURSES FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR PROGRAMS**

**Course Prefix  
& Number Title**

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**GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION \_\_\_\_\_**

**TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED: 36**

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Student's signature    date

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Advisor's signature    date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Program Coordinator's signature    date

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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.**

Proposed Coursework for the Masters of Arts of Psychology (School Psychology Emphasis)

Required Course

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PSY 623	Experimental Design
PSY 605	Ethical and Legal Issues in Psychology
PSY 692	Research Seminar
PSY 506	Psychometrics or SPSY 621Data-Based Decision Making
PSY 526	Cross Cultural Psych
SPSY 674	Bio Bases of School Psych
SPSY 616	Typical and Atypical Child Development
SPSY 617	School Consultation
SPSY 618	Instructional Methods and Behavioral Modification
SPSY 675	Cognitive Foundations of School Psych
SPSY 619	Individual and Group Counseling
SPSY 601	Prof School Competence

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Total of 36 Hours