

PSYCHOLOGY (MS) - APPLIED CONCENTRATION

Degree Requirements

Graduate Studies

The Master of Science-Applied Concentration degree in Psychology is required of Clinical & Counseling Psychology (CCP) PhD students who enter that program with a Bachelor's degree only (i.e., who have not completed a Master's degree elsewhere). Students entering the CCP PhD Program after having completed a Master's degree elsewhere are still required to have completed the Foundational Course Content Areas, which are the courses that make up the Master of Science-Applied Concentration curriculum.

Admissions

The Master of Science-Applied Concentration degree in Psychology is completed by CCP PhD students as part of their doctoral program. As such, the Master of Science-Applied Concentration is not a terminal degree and only students admitted to the CCP PhD Program can enter the Master of Science-Applied Concentration degree in Psychology. Admissions to the CCP PhD Program are described in that program's bulletin entry.

Requirements for MS Degree for All Students

CCP students enrolled in the Master of Science-Applied Concentration degree must complete a minimum of 44 semester hours with a minimum grade of B in each course (and a minimum GPA of 3.0) to obtain the Masters of Science degree in Psychology. Courses are typically completed within two years of entry into the CCP Program. This requirement includes a minimum of 6 hours of thesis credits (PSY599) and a minimum of 9 hours of practica credits (PSY556). There are no elective requirements for the MS degree. All degree requirements must be completed within seven years from the date of matriculation as a graduate student. If a student has not completed her or his degree requirements at the end of the seven years, the student will have to reapply for admission to the program. If the student is re-accepted, he or she will have to re-start their program upon re-admission.

Graduate Curriculum

Applied Psychology Concentration

Only students admitted into the Clinical and Counseling Doctoral program with a Bachelor's degree will complete the following courses as requirements for a Master of Science degree in Psychology. In addition, students must complete a Master's Thesis (minimum of six hours required). Satisfactory completion of PSY 530 with a minimum grade of "B" is required before a student is allowed to enroll in any practicum course.

Code	Title	Hours
PSY 500	Proseminar in Psychology	2
PSY 501	Research Design and Stats I	3
PSY 502	Research Design and Stats II	3
PSY 524	Lifespan Development	3
PSY 530	Applied Psy & Dx Interviewing (Minimum grade of "B" required)	3
PSY 532	Psychopathology	3

PSY 542	Cognitive Assessment	3
PSY 544	Personality & Affective Assmt	3
PSY 550	Evidenced Based Clin/Coun Prac	3
PSY 556	Practicum	9
PSY 586	Cognitive Neuroscience	3
PSY 599	Thesis Research	6

Total Hours **44**

Comprehensive Exam

All students must successfully complete a comprehensive written examination prior to graduation. The comprehensive exam entails the write-up and oral presentation of a research project proposal that is submitted to the student's research mentor. The manuscripts and oral presentation are evaluated by the student's comprehensive exam committee (typically comprised of the same members as the student's thesis committee). If the student fails the exam, they will be required to retake it within 3 months of the failed exam date. The student's comprehensive exam committee will meet regarding individuals who have failed the comprehensive examination two times to determine if remediation and/or a third attempt will be recommended or if the student will be immediately dismissed from the program. Failure on the third attempt will result in automatic dismissal.