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Metropolitan State University of Denver Psychology Major, B.S.—Clinical & Counseling Concentration

Below are the requirements to complete a B.S. in Psychology with a Clinical & Counseling Concentration. Please regularly consult with a Psychology advisor to ensure that you are making good progress toward degree completion and for assistance selecting elective courses that are consistent with your career goals.

Psychology Core (16 crs):

Students must complete each of the following five required courses.

The Clinical & Counseling Concentration requires that PSY4650 be taken as the Senior Experience requirement in the BS program.

 PSY1001—Introductory Psychology (3 cr)
 PSY2001—Careers & Professional Dev in Psychology (3 cr)
 PSY2310—Statistics for the Social & Behavioral Sciences (3 cr)
 PSY3010—Research Methods in Psychological Science (3 cr)
 PSY3011—Lab for Research Meth in Psych Science (1 cr)

Senior Experience: PSY4650—	
 Advanced Internship (3 cr)	

Advisor:

Notes:

- 1. PSY2310 needs to be taken before PSY3010. PSY3011 may be taken at the same time as PSY3010, or after PSY3010 has been completed.
- 2. Transfer students must have completed both semesters of a two-semester introductory psychology course to get credit for PSY1001. Students completing both courses will earn credit for PSY8888, as will students completing only one semester of a two-semester sequence. PSY8888 will count toward general electives but may not be used toward the PSY major requirements.

Clinical/Counseling Core (12 crs):

Complete ALL of the following courses for the Clinical/Counseling concentration.

Clinical/Counseling:

 PSY2150—Positive Psychology
 PSY3000—Theories of Personality
 PSY3620—Abnormal Psychology
 PSY4100—Clinical/Counseling Psychology: Treatment, Practice, and Skills

Notes: Students who have transfer credit for a course that is equivalent to a class in the Clinical/Counseling core or the Content Areas in all except course title or level may count this course toward these requirements. Ask an advisor for assistance.

Content Areas (9 crs):

Complete **ONE** course in each of the following three areas: **Social:**

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	PSY2410—Social Psychology
	PSY3050—Psychology of Gender
	PSY3450—Organizational Psychology
	PSY3700—Psychology of Group Prejudice (Meets ESSJ Req)

Developmental:

PSY2210—Psychology of Human Development
 PSY3250—Child Psychology
 PSY3260—Psychology of Adolescence
 PSY3270—Adulthood & Aging

Cognitive & Biological:

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	PSY2120—Brain & Behavior
	PSY4520—Sensation & Perception
	PSY4540—Behavioral Neuroscience
	PSY4570—Cognitive Psychology

Psychology Electives (6 crs):

Students must complete an additional 6 credits (i.e., 2 courses) of PSY-prefix courses. Any PSY course, with the exception of PSY8888, may be used toward meeting this requirement, including any extra courses listed on page 1, courses listed below, or any other PSY course taken at MSU Denver.

PSY1800—Developmental Educational Psychology
PSY2240—Parenting Across the Lifespan
PSY2270—Death, Dying, and Grieving
PSY2850—Psychology of Sexuality
PSY2950—Contemporary Issues: Variable Topics
PSY3030—Multicultural Psychology (Meets ESSJ Requirement)
PSY3070—Psychology of Sexual Orientation
PSY3170—Social Justice: Self and Citizenship: Service Learning
PSY3240—Infancy
PSY3340—Cognitive Development & Learning
PSY3350—Psychology of Social Development
PSY3370—Undergraduate Research Assistant*
PSY3380—Clinical Neuropsychology
PSY3390—Undergraduate Teaching Assistant Training*
PSY3400—Child Psychopathology
PSY3410—Health Psychology
PSY3420—Issues in Social-Personality Psychology

PSY3440—Cravings and Addictions
PSY3450—Organizational Psychology
PSY3460—Psychology of Play
PSY3470—Psychology of Violence and Aggression
PSY3490—Child Life Theory and Practice**
PSY3500—Research Issues: Variable Topics
PSY3560—Psychopharmacology
PSY3580—Development in the Family Context
PSY3920—Gender Politics of Health
PSY3970—Practicum
PSY3980—Internship in Psychology
PSY4150—Psychological Assessment
PSY4450—Advanced Statistics: SPSS
PSY4700—Senior Experience for HDFS
PSY4950—Pro-seminar in Psychology: Variable Topics
PSY4970—Psychology of Scholarship of Teaching and Learning*
PSY4980—Independent Study

Additional Recommedations:

It is *highly recommended* that Psychology majors complete one of the following as part of the Natural & Physical Sciences requirement in General Studies.

BIO1000—Human Biology for Non-Majors (3 crs.)
BIO1030—General Biology for Non-Majors (4 crs.)
BIO1080—General Biology I (3 crs.) BIO1090—General Biology Laboratory I (1 cr.)

BIO1081—General Biology II (3 crs.) BIO1091—
General Biology Laboratory II (1 cr.)

Notes:

- 1. Credit for the BIO1080/1090 and BIO1081/1091 course combinations can only be earned if both courses are complete.
- 2. All students must complete at least 15 credits of upper-division PSY coursework.
- 3. Transfer students must complete at least 15 credits of PSY coursework at MSU Denver, including at least 9 credits of upper-division PSY coursework.
- 4. A grade of D- or better is required for each course in this program to count toward the bachelor's degree. Psychology majors must have a GPA of 2.00 in their major and an overall GPA of 2.00 to graduate. No correspondence courses may be used in the major.
- 5. Psychology majors must complete a minor of their choice.
- 6. Senior experience (SE) courses in the Department of Psychological Sciences require PSY majors to complete the Majors Field Test (MFT) prior to receiving a grade in the course. Should a student elect to repeat or take multiple SE courses, the MFT only needs to be completed in the 1st course.

^{*} To take PSY 3370, 3390 or 4970, student needs permission from the instructor.

^{**} PSY 3490 is a course for students interested in pursuing the field of Child Life Specialists. Contact Dr. Hagan (lkindleb@msudenver) for information about this career.

⁻No more than 6 credits may be PSY4980, no more than 6 credits may be in PSY3370, no more than 6 credits may be in PSY3390, and no more than 6 credits may be in the combination of PSY3980 and/or PSY4650. No more than 9 credits may be PSY 2950 courses.