# REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DEGREE OF PHD IN PSYCHOLOGY
(students entering fall 2014 or later)

**RESEARCH REQUIREMENTS**

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<td>First Year Research Proposal</td>
<td>January 31 of First Year</td>
<td>PSYC 220a-245a</td>
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<td>September 30 of Second Year</td>
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<td>NRSA Proposal</td>
<td>Submitted to advisors May 31 of Second Year</td>
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<td>Breadth Requirement</td>
<td>Third Year (before submitting dissertation proposal)</td>
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<td>Dissertation Proposal w/ Lit.Review</td>
<td>January 15 of Third Year with successful oral exam of proposal by May 31.</td>
<td>PSYC 400d</td>
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<td>Statistics Defense</td>
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**COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

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<td>PSYC 210a &amp; PSYC 210b</td>
<td>Advanced Statistics I &amp; II</td>
<td>1st &amp; 2nd semester year 1</td>
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<td>PSYC 211a</td>
<td>Graduate Research Methods</td>
<td>1st semester year 1</td>
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<td>PSYC 300a and 302a</td>
<td>Pro-seminar in Brain Body &amp; Behavior</td>
<td>2nd semester year 1 &amp; 2nd semester year 2</td>
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<tr>
<td>PSYC 316a “Brown Bag”</td>
<td>Psychology Research Seminar</td>
<td>Every semester in residency - until proposal defended. (Required to present once per year, including proposal.)</td>
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<td>CONT. 300b (not for credit)</td>
<td>Ethical Practice in Health-Related Programs Course</td>
<td>1st year (and repeated in 5th year for those on an NRSA or T32)</td>
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- In addition to the requirements listed above, students are required to take 6 additional advanced courses (100-level or above): one in the first term of the first year; two in the first term of the second year; two in the second term of the second year; and one each term in the third year. Please note advanced courses do not include independent readings courses or the research courses listed above.

- One of the advanced courses must be a 3rd statistics or advanced methods course chosen with faculty advisor.

**Additional requirements for Brain, Body & Behavior students**

- The lab rotation in year 2 must be in a biomedical area
- Two courses chosen in consultation with faculty advisor to satisfy a biomedical breadth requirement (list of currently approved elective courses is on Breadth Requirement Form). These double-count as advanced courses for the department Ph.D. requirements.
- OR one course to satisfy the biomedical breadth requirement and one semester in an approved BBB journal club, biomedical seminar or colloquium series. (does not count as an advanced course for the department Ph.D. requirements) Currently approved venues include: Topics in Molecular Genetics and Development (BIOL 305), Topics in Neurobiology (NBIO 306), Systems/Computational Neuroscience Journal Club (NBIO 340) and Neuroscience Proseminar (NBIO 250).

**FIRST YEAR**

- First year Research Proposal due January 31
- Teaching Fellowship (TF) is required in Spring Semester

**Fall Semester**

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<td>PSYC 211a Graduate Research Methods in Psychology</td>
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<td>Advanced Elective Course (100 level or above)</td>
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**Spring Semester**  
PSYC 210b Advanced Psychological Statistics II  
PSYC 300a or 302a Proseminar in Brain, Body & Behavior  
PSYC 220a-245a Research (half-time)  
PSYC 316a Psychology Research Seminar  
CONT 300b Ethical Practice in Health Related Sciences  

**SECOND YEAR**  
- First Year Research Report due September 30  
- Lab Rotation proposal due September 1  
- Rotation Report due January 15  
- NRSA proposal due May 31  
- TFs required both semesters**

**Fall Semester**  
Advanced Course (100 level or above)  
Advanced Course (100 level or above)  
PSYC 220a-245a Research with primary advisor (quarter-time)  
PSYC 220a-245a Research with lab rotation advisor (quarter-time)  
PSYC 316a Psychology Research Seminar

**Spring Semester**  
PSYC 300a or 302a Proseminar in Brain, Body & Behavior  
Advanced Course (100 level or above)  
PSYC 250a Advanced Research Project  
PSYC 316a Psychology Research Seminar

**Third Year**  
- Dissertation proposal due January 15 of 3rd Year  
- Proposal oral exam by May 31  
- Breadth Requirement Form due in 3rd Year  
- TFS required both semesters**

**Fall Semester**  
Advanced Course (100 level or above)  
PSYC 220a-245a Research (three-quarter-time)  
PSYC 316a Psychology Research Seminar

**Spring Semester**  
Advanced Course (100 level or above)  
PSYC 220a-245a Research (three-quarter-time)  
PSYC 316a Psychology Research Seminar

**Fourth Year**  
- One Teaching Fellowship is required in Fourth Year

**Fall Semester**  
PSYC 400d Dissertation Research (If Dissertation Proposal accepted otherwise PSYC 220a-245a)  
PSYC 316a Psychology Research Seminar strongly recommended

**Spring Semester**  
PSYC 400d Dissertation Research (If Dissertation Proposal accepted otherwise PSYC 220a-245a)  
PSYC 316a Psychology Research Seminar strongly recommended

**Fifth Year**  
- Statistics Defense and Dissertation Defense

**Fall Semester**  
PSYC 400d Dissertation Research (12 credits)  
PSYC 316a Psychology Research Seminar strongly recommended

**Spring Semester**  
PSYC 400d Dissertation Research (12 credits)  
PSYC 316a Psychology Research Seminar strongly recommended  
CONT 300b Ethical Practice in Health Related Sciences (if on NRSA or T32)