Department of Psychology
Degree Requirements, M.A. Program

PROGRAM GOAL: to develop a broad foundation in psychology. Full time students are expected complete the program in one academic year, but may choose, with their advisor, to do so during the summer term to follow, or take up to two years. Additional fees would apply for Extended Masters enrollment (i.e., beyond one academic year), as specified in the fee schedule on page 2.

RESEARCH REQUIREMENTS	DUE DATE	REGISTER FOR
Masters Degree Proposal	Close of Fall Semester Final Exam period. Part-time or students extending into year 2: end of classes in 2nd semester	Not applicable
Masters Thesis	May / August	PSYC 250, Masters Project Readings
COURSE REQUIREMENTS	8 Required, 2 Recommended (PSYC 316a, fall & spring)	

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
PSYC 210a — Advanced Statistics I	PSYC 210b Advanced Statistics **
PSYC 21 la Graduate Research Methods	PSYC 250B Masters Project Readings
Advanced 100+ Level Elective (ref. list below)	Advanced 100+ Level Elective (ref. list below)
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PSYC 316b — Psychology Research Seminar (Brown Bag)*	PSYC 316b — Psychology Research Seminar (Brown Bag)*

*PSYC 316: The Psychology Research Seminar is not required; and this four-credit course does not count toward fulfilling the 100+ advanced elective requirement. But you are also strongly encouraged to enroll in the course during the fall and spring semesters. This is a Brown Bag lunch held every Thursday from 12:00 noon — 1:00 pm.

**PSYC 216a, Multivariate Statistics l: Structural Equation Modeling (SEM) may be taken in place of PSYC 210b with permission of advisor and instructor

Masters Project Readings begins with the submission of a thesis proposal by Jan. 31st, and culminates in a master's thesis. The thesis may be in the form of an empirical research project, or a comprehensive literature review. In consultation with your advisor, you must choose a second reader for your project from within the Psychology Department. The final written thesis must be completed and submitted to your advisor and second reader one month prior to the Registrar's deadline (ref. link to academic calendar found in this document).

List of Advanced Electives: choose four of the following courses in consultation with your advisor. Cross-listed courses from other programs can count toward your requirements subject to approval by the Program Chair.

NPSY 120b	Man in Space	PSYC 130b	Life Span Development: Early & Middle Adulthood
NPSY 139a	Memory and the Brain	PSYC 140a	Statistical Analysis Software Applications (SAS
NPSY 141a	Stress, Physiology, and Health	PSYC 142a	Sports Psychology: A Health Psychology Perspective
NPSY 154a	Human Memory	PSYC 148a	Applied Statistical Computing in R
NPSY 174b	Visual Cognition	PSYC 150b	Organizational Behavior
NPSY 180a	Social Neuroscience & Culture	PSYC 155a	Interpersonal Sensitivity
NPSY 182a	Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience: Infancy through Adolescence	PSYC 160b	Seminar on Sex Differences

NPSY 196b	Adv. Topics in Cognition	PSYC 169b	Disorders of Childhood
NPSY 197a	Adv. Topics in Behavioral Neuroscience	PSYC 193b	Tests and Measurements
NPSY 199a	Human Neuropsychology	PSYC 213a	Social Neuroscience and Culture
		PSYC 215a	Multivariate Statistics l: Applied Structural Equation Modeling

Fee Schedule for Extended Masters Students

Student Status	Fee Amount	Course Enrollments
August Degree applicants Summer Extended Fee	$1,500*	CONT 200a
Extended Student Fees (Course Requirements incomplete)	$6,687 per semester	Lecture Course & CONT 200a
Extended Student Fees (Course Requirements completed)	$1,500 per semester*	PSYC 250 & CONT 200a

*Fee is waived if student accepts enrollment in a Brandeis PhD program in the fall to follow

Note that students who complete all program requirements for an August degree prior to the start of the summer 2021 term will not need to register for the summer term. However, you will need to notify the Graduate School that you wish to change your status for the summer to Degree Pending.

***Fee waived if masters thesis turned in before close of registration

must enroll in CONT-200a to assure full time status (12-credit total).

OTHER FEES AY 2021-2022

Health Insurance: $3,509 (waived if proof of other coverage provided) Student Activities Fee: $60 per semester

Orientation Fee: $44 (first year only, one-time charge)

Helpful Web Sites as you proceed:

List of Forms needed for the MA program:
http : / /www.brandeis.edu/departments/psych/masters/forms.html

Links to the Current Course Listings on the Registrar's Site:
http://www.brandeis.edu/departments/psych/courses/index.html

General information with links needed for completing your thesis:
http://www.brandeis.edu/gsas/completing/master-thesis.html

Guidelines and Template for your thesis:
http://www.brandeis.edu/gsas/current/pdfs-completing/ma- thesis-guidelines.pdf

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The Academic Calendar on the Registrar's site for thesis deadlines:
https://www.brandeis.edu/registrar/calendar/grad-key-dates-20-21.html