



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.

<i>RESEARCH REQUIREMENTS</i>	<i>DUE DATE</i>	<i>REGISTER FOR</i>
Masters Degree Proposal	Close of Fall Semester Final Exam period. Part-time or students extending into year 2: end of classes in 2 nd semester	Not applicable
Masters Thesis	May / August	PSYC 250, Masters Project Readings

COURSE REQUIREMENTS -- 8 Required, 2 Recommended (PSYC 316a, fall & spring)

<i>Fall Semester</i>	<i>Spring Semester</i>
PSYC 210a — Advanced Statistics I	PSYC 210b Advanced Statistics **
PSYC 211a Graduate Research Methods	PSYC 250B Masters Project Readings ¹
Advanced 100+ Level Elective (ref. list below)	Advanced 100+ Level Elective (ref. list below)
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PSYC 316b — Psychology Research Seminar*	PSYC 316b — Psychology Research Seminar*

*PSYC 316: The Psychology Research Seminar (a.k.a. Brown Bag Talks) is not required. 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.

**PSYC 215a (Multivariate Statistics I: Structural Equation Modeling) or PSYC 216a (Multivariate Statistics II: Applied Hierarchical Linear Modeling) may be taken in place of PSYC 210b with permission of advisor and instructor

Note 1: *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	Human Space Flight	PSYC 130b	Life Span Development: Early & Middle Adulthood
NPSY 121b	Alzheimers Disease Risilence & Risk Factors	PSYC 136b	Advanced Topics in Developmental Psychology
NPSY 139a	Memory and the Brain	PSYC 140a	Statistical Analysis Software Applications (SAS)
NPSY 141a	Stress, Physiology, and Health	PSYC 142a	Sport Psychology: A Health Psychology Perspective
NPSY 170a	Decision Neuroscience	PSYC 148a	Applied Statistical Computing in R
NPSY 174b	Visual Cognition	PSYC 153b	Psychology of Trauma & Adversity
NPSY 180a	Social Neuroscience & Culture	PSYC 155a	Interpersonal Sensitivity
NPSY 182a	Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience	PSYC 160b	Seminar on Sex Differences
NPSY 196b	Advanced Topics In Cognition	PSYC 169b	Disorders of Childhood
NPSY 197a	Advanced Topics in Behavioral Neuroscience	PSYC 178b	The Psychology of Prejudice
NPSY 199a	Human Neuropsychology	PSYC 193b	Tests and Measurements
PSYC 123a	Applied Bayesian Modelling	PSYC 215a	Multivariate Statistics I: Applied Structural Equation Modeling
PSYC 126A	Pathways & Mechanisms Linking Emotions to Mental Health	PSYC 216a	Multivariate Statistics II: Applied Hierarchical Linear Modeling
PSYC 128b	Psychology of Deafness & Blindness		



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Fee Schedule for Extended Masters Students – AY2023-2024

<i>Student Status</i>	<i>Fee Amount</i>	<i>Course Enrollments</i>
August Degree applicants Summer Extended Fee	\$1,808 per summer ^{1 & 2}	CONT 200a
AY Extended Student Fee (Course Requirements incomplete)	\$7,233 per semester ³	Lecture Course & CONT 200a
AY Extended Fee Waiver (Course Requirements complete)	75% Discount Applied	PSYC 250 & CONT 200a

Footnotes:

1. Fee is waived if student accepts enrollment in a Brandeis PhD program in the fall to follow
2. All students must register for the term in which they plan to complete their degree. MA students should register for CONT 200 (or the department equivalent). If a student completes their master’s thesis project within ten (10) business days of the first day of classes for that term, or, in the summer, within ten (10) business days of Commencement, they will receive a full tuition waiver.
3. Students serving as a Course Assistant in an Arts and Sciences course (waiver amount - 25% in semester serving as CA). This waiver will be applied at the time of hire.

OTHER FEES AY 2023-2024

- Health Insurance: \$3,632 (waived if proof of other coverage provided)
- Student Activities Fee: \$60 per semester
- Orientation Fee: \$60 (first year only, one-time charge)

Helpful Web Sites as you proceed:

List of Forms needed for the MA program:

<https://www.brandeis.edu/psychology/masters/forms.html>

University Guidelines and Template for the program:

<https://www.brandeis.edu/gsas/student-resources/completing-your-program.html>

Key Deadlines for all graduate students:

<https://www.brandeis.edu/registrar/calendar/grad-key-dates-23-24.html>