

MA IN PSYCHOLOGY

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NOTE: Spring 2018 was the final cohort for this program. Beginning in Fall 2018, we will offer an MS in Psychological Science (<http://catalog.newpaltz.edu/graduate/liberal-arts-sciences/psychology/ms-psychological-science>).

The Psychology Graduate Program offers general graduate training in psychology leading to a 36-credit Master of Arts degree. It provides students with the opportunity to select courses in a variety of fields including social, cognitive, developmental, organizational, and experimental psychology. The degree may serve as preparation for those training for entry into a doctoral program or as additional training for those who plan to enter or are already involved in applied areas of psychology with an emphasis on research.

Admission Requirements

The Psychology Graduate Programs' Admissions Committee reviews applications. Please prepare the following items for inclusion in the online application process:

- Baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution
- Minimum grade point average of 3.0 for all undergraduate work or strong evidence of recent academic achievement.
- Successful completion of undergraduate General Psychology, Statistics, and Research Methods in Psychology.
- Satisfactory scores on the Graduate Record Examination (General test), preferably a combined verbal and quantitative score of 300.
- One official copy of transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work.
- Contact information for three individuals who have agreed to provide letters of recommendation.
- International students must meet these additional requirements for admission: <http://www.newpaltz.edu/graduate/students/international/>
- Please send OFFICIAL transcripts and GRE score reports to:

The Office of Graduate & Extended Learning, OM 127
SUNY New Paltz
800 Hawk Drive
New Paltz, New York 12561-2442

Application Deadline

The MA in Psychology program will admit its **final cohort in Spring 2018**. Applications must be received by November 15, 2017.

Curriculum Requirements

Master's degree candidates for the MA in Psychology must complete a minimum of 36 credits. Students must maintain an average grade of B in graduate-level courses. The department may accept up to nine credits of graduate work taken elsewhere in which a grade of B or better was obtained. Curricular requirements are as follows:

Code	Title	Credits
Methodology (9 Credits)		
PSY501	Analysis of Variance	3
PSY503	Correlation & Multiple Regress	3
PSY507	Research Methods in Psychology	3
Content Core (9 Credits)		
Select one of the following:		3
PSY528	Infancy and Early Childhood	
PSY529	Adulthood	
PSY531	Middle Childhood & Adolescence	
PSY560	Cognitive Processes	3
or PSY570	Cognitive Neuroscience	
PSY516	Organizational Psychology	3
or PSY556	Contemporary Issues in Social Psychology	
Experimental Specialization (12 Credits)		
PSY558	Seminar in Contemporary Research	3
PSY500	Research Practicum ¹	1
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Select one of the following:		6
6-credit empirical thesis		
3-credit literature review thesis plus 3-credit empirical independent study		
Elective (2 Credits)		
Select 2 elective credits		2

¹ 1 credit class taken three times.

All degree requirements must be completed within five years after admission to degree candidacy. Candidates must receive the recommendation for the degree from the Director of the Psychology Graduate Program, Department Chair, and Thesis Committee.

Assistantships

Teaching assistantships are available to selected students each year. Current stipends are \$5,000 per year plus a six-credit tuition scholarship per semester. Assistantship duties involve assisting in faculty teaching. Inquiries should be addressed to the Director of the Psychology Graduate Program. Other financial support is available to selected students each year in positions such as: Assistant in the Office of Psychology and Counseling Graduate Programs, and Academic Advisor to undergraduate psychology students. Other offices on campus, such as Institutional Research, also have a history of employing graduate students in the Psychology Graduate program. For further information, contact the Office for Psychology and Counseling Graduate Programs.