

# PhD in Psychology Clinical Psychology

## Clinical Psychology

The Clinical Psychology program has been fully accredited by the American Psychological Association since 1977 and is patterned upon the scientist-practitioner model of clinical training. The Clinical Psychology program requires five years of full-time study. Students are not considered for admission on a part-time basis. Through the medium of courses, practicums, and research experiences, this emphasis area prepares Clinical Psychologists for careers in research, teaching, and clinical practice.

Students in the Clinical Psychology program participate for three years in the Psychology Department's Community Psychological Services clinic. This facility provides psychological services to the public and consultation to outside agencies. Students also receive clinical experience in clerkships and during a full-time, year-long internship. Research requirements include an initial independent research project, a major critical review of research in a specialty area, and a dissertation.

### Learning Outcomes for the Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology:

The Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology has the following goals and outcomes:

**Goal 1.** Students will gain a broad-based foundation of knowledge and conceptual skills necessary for psychological research and practice.

The following courses address this goal:

<a href="#">PSYCH 5465</a>	Seminar: Behavioral Neuroscience	3
<a href="#">PSYCH 5468</a>	Seminar: Cognitive Processes	3
<a href="#">PSYCH 6466</a>	Seminar: Developmental Psychology	1-3
<a href="#">PSYCH 7403</a>	Psychopathology	3
<a href="#">PSYCH 7412</a>	Social Psychology	3

Students will be prepared in multiple approaches to assessment and treatment that are theory-based and research-supported.

The following courses address this goal directly:

<a href="#">PSYCH 7404</a>	Introduction To Clinical Assessment I	4
<a href="#">PSYCH 7406</a>	Introduction To Clinical Assessment II	4
<a href="#">PSYCH 7430</a>	Introduction To Clinical Skills	1
<a href="#">PSYCH 7431</a>	Clinical Supervision	1-3
<a href="#">PSYCH 7434</a>	Introduction to Clinical Interventions	3
<a href="#">PSYCH 7439</a>	Summer Supervision	1
<a href="#">PSYCH 7450</a>	Clinical Internship I	1
<a href="#">PSYCH 7451</a>	Clinical Internship II	1

**Goal 2.** Students will develop the ability to evaluate and conduct methodologically sound research of potential benefit to the practice of psychology.

The following courses address this goal directly:

<a href="#">PSYCH 7421</a>	Quantitative Methods I	4
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<a href="#">PSYCH 7422</a>	Quantitative Methods II	4
<a href="#">PSYCH 7474</a>	Clinical Research In Applied Settings	3
<a href="#">PSYCH 7485</a>	Research Team I	2
<a href="#">PSYCH 7486</a>	Research Team II	2
<a href="#">PSYCH 7487</a>	Thesis Research Project	1-6
<a href="#">PSYCH 7488</a>	Specialty Examination Research	1-6
<a href="#">PSYCH 7492</a>	Ph D Thesis Research	1-10

**In addition, students must submit a journal length manuscript based on their dissertation for review by a professional journal prior to graduation.**

**Goal 3.** Students will develop a firm basis for ethical decision-making and adherence to professional standards of conduct in research and practice.

Most courses provide some training in this area, and [PSYCH 7432](#) addresses this goal directly as a required course.

**Goal 4.** Students will develop and display sensitivity and adaptability in their applications of research, assessment and treatment approaches to diverse populations.

Most courses provide some training in this area, and [PSYCH 6448](#) addresses this goal directly as a required course.

**Goal 5.** Students will continue to develop a commitment to the goals of life-long learning, and an awareness of clinical psychology as an evolving science.

All courses are relevant to this goal.

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Sign-offs from other departments affected by this proposal

None

Rationale                      This was suggested by our accrediting body (APA) to improve rates of dissertation-based publications by recent program alumni.