

PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE - M.A.

College of Arts and Sciences
Department of Psychological Sciences
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About This Program

The Master of Arts degree in Psychological Science is an intermediate degree only for students admitted to one of the doctoral programs in the Department of Psychological Sciences. The program is strongly research-oriented.

Contact Information

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- Connect with an Admissions Counselor: U.S. Student | International Student

Program Delivery

- **Delivery:**
 - In person
- **Location:**
 - Kent Campus

Examples of Possible Careers and Salaries*

Psychologists, all other

- 2.3% slower than the average
- 19,800 number of jobs
- \$105,780 potential earnings

Psychology teachers, postsecondary

- 8.8% much faster than the average
- 46,800 number of jobs
- \$78,180 potential earnings

* Source of occupation titles and labor data comes from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Outlook Handbook. Data comprises projected percent change in employment over the next 10 years; nation-wide employment numbers; and the yearly median wage at which half of the workers in the occupation earned more than that amount and half earned less.

For more information about graduate admissions, visit the graduate admission website. For more information on international admissions, visit the international admission website.

Admission Requirements

The Department of Psychological Sciences does not accept applicants only interested in pursuing the M.A. degree in Psychological Science.

Application Deadlines

- No direct admissions into this program.

Program Requirements

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Major Requirements		
PSYC 61651	QUANTITATIVE STATISTICAL ANALYSIS I	3
PSYC 61654	QUANTITATIVE STATISTICAL ANALYSIS II	3
PSYC 61685	CLINICAL RESEARCH METHODS ¹	3
or PSYC 62685	RESEARCH METHODS IN PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE	
Additional Program Electives ²		15
Culminating Requirement		
PSYC 61199	THESIS I	6
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		30

¹ Students pursuing the Ph.D. degree in Clinical Psychology must take PSYC 61685. Students pursuing the Ph.D. degree in Psychological Science must take PSYC 62685.

² Additional courses are selected with the aid of an advisor. A limited number of courses outside the department may be credited toward the degree. No 50000-level psychology courses may be applied toward degree requirements. PSYC 61498 may be used to partially satisfy additional program electives.

Graduation Requirements

Minimum Major GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
-	3.000

- The program requires full-time continuous enrollment, including summers.
- Students pursuing the Ph.D. degree in Psychological Science must complete a first-year project and present it to faculty and graduate students during the fall of their second year.
- No more than one-half of a graduate student's coursework may be taken in 50000-level courses.
- Grades below C are not counted toward completion of requirements for the degree.

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Demonstrate mastery of the current theories and significant empirical findings in a major area of psychological science. Mastery includes acquiring both an understanding of these materials as well as the ability to think critically about them.
2. Teach courses in psychological science.
3. Supervise and mentor undergraduate students in both research settings and in the classroom.
4. Design, execute, analyze and report empirical studies that make a significant contribution in a major area of psychological science.