

PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCES (MS IN PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCES)

Degree Requirements

The total credit hour requirement for the M.S. in Psychological Sciences is 37 credits.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
PSYC 618	Professional Development Sem	2
PSYC 619	Professional Development Sem	2
PSYC 631	Advanced Statistics I	3
PSYC 632	Research Methods	3
PSYC 633	Advanced Statistics II	3
PSYC 685	Colloquium	variable 0-2
PSYC 693	Intro to Graduate Research	3 or 6
PSYC 700	Thesis	6
Electives		
Select a minimum of 12 credits of the following:		12
PSYC 660	Prosem Developmental Psyc	
PSYC 661	Proseminar in Cognition	
PSYC 662	Proseminar in Personality	
PSYC 663	Prosem Behav Neuroscience	
PSYC 664	Prosem Social Psychology	
PSYC 668	Prosem Clinical Psychology	
PSYC 671	Statistical Modeling	
PSYC 672	Computer App Psyc Science	
PSYC 674	Applied Decision Theory	

Thesis Requirement (minimum 6 credits)

M.S. students must successfully complete and defend a thesis. Successful completion of a thesis will normally involve a two-year effort resulting in the production of a piece of original research that is of publishable quality and acceptable to the thesis committee. Each student must present this work in a seminar open to all members of the department; the seminar is followed by an oral examination administered by the committee.

- PSYC 700 Thesis Credits: (variable 1-12)

Comprehensive Exam Requirement

Oral defense of the thesis satisfies the exam requirement.

Language Requirement

There is no foreign language requirement for an M.S. in Psychological Sciences.

Residence Requirement

Students shall be in residence for four semesters.

Satisfactory Progress

In order to continue in the program and be eligible for an assistantship a student must earn a 3.0 (B) average over all courses taken. Professional behavior, as described in the Ethical Standards of the American Psychological Association, will also be considered in making decisions concerning retention and eligibility for an assistantship. In addition, to remain in good standing and consistent with Arts & Sciences guidelines, all students must make satisfactory progress in their research. Progress in research will be evaluated each semester. Please refer to the Graduate Arts and Sciences Catalog for more information.

To be eligible to graduate, all students must achieve a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in all courses undertaken for graduate credit at William & Mary after admission to a degree program. No credit toward a degree will be allowed for a course in which a student receives a grade below C (grade point = 2.0).