Master of Arts in Psychology: Concentration in Mind, Brain & Behavior

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Graduate Programs in Psychology

Application to a graduate program is completed through the Cal State Apply (https://www2.calstate.edu/apply) application process.

The graduate admission application must be submitted by the deadline to be considered for admission. The department accepts applications for the fall semester only, with a deadline of February 1st. The clinical and school psychology programs generally require an interview, during the admissions process.

Applicants to each psychology graduate program are required to submit the results of the Graduate Record Examination — verbal, quantitative, and writing sections. Applicants should check the current application of the program they are applying to for the other requirements.

Students who intend to work toward the M.A. or the M.S. in Psychology must meet the prerequisites outlined at the beginning of each concentration.

Undergraduate deficiencies are to be rectified, as the graduate advisor deems fit, without being included as part of the program for a master’s degree.

To advance to candidacy, graduate students must meet all the general requirements for the specific program in which they are involved.

Written English Proficiency Requirement

Level One
A score of 4.0 or better on the GRE Analytical Writing Test.

Level Two
Satisfactory completion of the master’s thesis (PSY 898).

Prerequisites

A course in statistical methods and a course either in experimental psychology or psychological research methods; or a course combining statistics and research methods.

Psychology (M.A.): Concentration in Mind, Brain & Behavior — Minimum 37 units

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Upper Division/Graduate Units (6 units)
in psychology or allied fields approved by graduate major advisor.