Psychology M.S.

Degree Requirements: 36 Credit Hours

Admission Requirements

New students are admitted to the program in Fall semester only. The program is limited to 12 new students.

Regular

The applicant must have:

1. Completed requirements for the Bachelor’s degree in a college accredited by the proper regional accrediting associations.
2. Taken Introduction to Psychology, a statistics course, a research methods course, and at least two additional courses in psychology.
3. A 3.0 (4.0 scale) cumulative grade point average or higher on undergraduate work.
4. Minimum Graduate Record Exam (GRE) scores of 147 on the Verbal section and 146 on the Quantitative section for applicants who took the exam after July 31, 2011.
5. Submitted:
   a. A personal statement that includes a description of career goals, reasons for applying for graduate study at Georgia Southern University, a list of academic achievements, non-academic achievements, relevant work experience, a self-evaluation of maturity level and character. We strongly encourage students to obtain research experience as an undergraduate.
   b. Recommendations from three individuals who can speak of the applicant’s undergraduate academic performance, potential for graduate study, and maturity level and character. At least one letter must be from a faculty member.

Provisional

For applicants who meet two out of three of the following criteria for regular admission (GRE-V, GRE-Q, GPA), provisional admission may be granted by the departmental graduate faculty based on their consideration of the materials submitted by the applicant.

Program of Study

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Other Program Requirements

- All students in the MS program must complete an acceptable thesis, including a successful oral defense.
- The program offers an option Teaching Emphasis, which prepares students to potentially serve as Teaching Assistants at University-level. In choosing this option, students will complete Seminar in Teaching Psychology (PSYC 7631) as well as meet other criteria.

Psychology M.S. (Psy.D. Track)

Admission Requirements

As this is a degree that is part of the Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.) program, only students enrolled in the Psy.D. program are eligible.

Total: 54 Credits

Program Requirements

- All students must have completed the first two years (54 credits) of the Psy.D. program through the Spring semester of the second year and must have successfully completed the Clinical Qualifying Examination.

Advisement

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