

EXPERIMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY - DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

The Ph.D. in psychology is offered in the major areas of cognitive, engineering and social psychology. Ph.D. candidates are required to complete the following coursework and tasks:

Prefix	Title	Credits
Core Course: (corresponding to the student's area of study)		3
PSYC 5310	Engineering Psychology	
PSYC 5320	Cognition	
PSYC 5330	Social Psychology	
Quantitative/Computer Methods Sequence:		9
PSYC 5110	Quantitative Methods in Psychology I	
PSYC 5120	Quantitative Methods in Psychology II	
PSYC 5210	Computer Methodology	
Content Courses:		9
PSYC 5340	Learning and Memory	
PSYC 5350	Sensation and Perception	
PSYC 540	History and Systems of Psychology	
Experimental Methods:		6
PSYC 5220	Methods in Cognitive Psychology	
PSYC 5230	Methods in Social Psychology	
PSYC 5410	Foundations of College Teaching	
Comprehensive Examination: ¹		
Work related training requirement: ²		
Final Oral Examination: ³		
Dissertation:		18+
PSYC 7000	Doctoral Dissertation	

¹ Pass written and oral components of the comprehensive exam

² Complete a work-related training requirement (i.e. complete an internship of at least 10 weeks duration, or teach at least one 3-credit undergraduate course independently. pre-teaching requirements listed here (<https://psychology.nmsu.edu/pages/subpages/ph-d-degree-requirements.html>))

³ Pass a final oral examination that consists primarily of an evaluation of the dissertation and the candidate's defense of it, but may extend over the entire field of the candidate's study

Students are encouraged to register for one credit of PSYC 590 Research Seminar in Psychology each semester.

Students should also enroll in at least one credit of the appropriate supervised research course each semester (i.e., PSYC 6991 Doctoral Research, PSYC 698 Special Research Programs, or PSYC 7000 Doctoral Dissertation).

When offered, PSYC 5996 Special Topics may be considered content, quantitative methods, or experimental methods, depending on the specific course content.