

CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY, DOCTOR IN PSYCHOLOGY (PSY. D.)

Admission Requirements

A minimum of five undergraduate courses in psychology: general psychology, statistics, and experimental psychology are required, as well as two other courses acceptable to the departmental admissions committee. Applicants are required to submit academic transcripts for any undergraduate and graduate work, and the GRE score report. Candidates are encouraged to complete the GRE Psychology Subject Test if Psychology was not their major as an undergraduate. Please note that GRE scores and GPA may be used to narrow the applicant pool. Candidates with a GPA of 3.0 or higher and GRE scores at the 50th percentile or higher will be competitive. Admission is limited to available space. Meeting the minimum requirements, therefore, does not guarantee admission.

Applicants must submit a cover letter, expressing their interest in the program (1-2 typewritten, double spaced pages). In addition, applicants must respond to the following six, brief (no more than 500 words), essay prompts:

1. Tell me about the types of extra-curricular activities you are involved in. Please include any leadership roles, volunteer work, or team membership. How has this shaped your interest in serving others?
2. Our program heavily emphasizes multiculturalism and social justice, including rural culture. What experiences and perspectives would you bring to the program in this regard? What is something you learned about yourself from at least one of these experiences?
3. Please tell us about any life experience you have had exposure to that would be beneficial to your work in this career field (co-op, internship, shadowing, or work experience).
4. If you have had any research experience in your undergraduate or graduate studies, briefly describe your involvement in it.
5. What gives you meaning and purpose? How might this be relevant in your decision to pursue clinical psychology?
6. How do you balance demands on your time, responsibilities, and self-care?

Applicants must arrange for submission of three letters of recommendation from individuals familiar with your abilities relevant to graduate-level study in psychology, with at least one from psychology faculty. Applicants must also submit a curriculum vitae.

Applications are completed online and must be received by December 1. Top applicants will be invited for an interview. Notification regarding admission normally will be made in February or March.

Program Requirements

CIP code: 42.2801

Requirements for the degree are a minimum of 120 graduate hours including 12 credit hours for a year-long internship, 27 credit hours for clinical practica, 72 credit hours of required courses, 6 credit hours for the doctoral research project, and 3 hours of elective graduate courses approved by the student's graduate advisor.

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
PSY 766	Forensic Psychology	3
PSY 779	History & Systems of Psycholog	3
PSY 802	Multicultural Psychology	3
PSY 803	Rural Mental Health	3
PSY 818	Psychology of Addictions	3
PSY 820	Statistics & Research Design I	3
PSY 824	Intellectual Assessment	3
PSY 825	Personality Assessment	3
PSY 826	Professional Concerns I	3
PSY 837	Social Psy & Cultural Diversity	3
PSY 841	Psychopathology	3
PSY 849	Advanced Developmental PSY	3
PSY 850	Psychotherapy & Behav Change I	3
PSY 853	Biological Bases of Behavior	3
PSY 857S	Child & Family Interventions	3
PSY 859	Cog/Affect Bases of Behavior	3
PSY 860	Psychotherapy & Beha Change II	3
PSY 862	Statistic & Research Design II	3
PSY 863	Understanding Suicide	3
PSY 868	Prog Eval in Soc Behav Sci II	3
PSY 869	Psychology of Trauma	3
PSY 871	Group and Family Therapy	3
PSY 881	Advanced Children's Assessment	3
PSY 950	Clinical Supervision & Consult	3
Experiential Courses		
PSY 838	Practicum in Clinical Psy	9
PSY 999	Doctoral Intern in Clinic Psyc	12
PSY 938	Doctoral Prac in Clinical Psyc	18
Electives		
Choose from three hours of electives		3
Research		
PSY 990	Doctoral Specialty Project	6
Exit Requirements		
GRD 857R	PsyD Clinical PSY Writ Comp Ex	0
GRD 858R	PsyD Clinical PSY Oral Comp Ex	0
Total Hours		120

Exit Requirements

Students in the Doctor of Psychology Program must register for written and oral comprehensive examinations in their area of study (GRD 857R PsyD Clinical PSY Writ Comp Ex & GRD 858R PsyD Clinical PSY Oral Comp Ex) (0 credit hours), and must pass both of these examinations.