

PSYCHOLOGY, MASTER OF SCIENCE

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The capstone project is a key feature of the master's in psychology program, as students will engage in practical research with the opportunity to earn authorship on a presentation of their findings. Students may present at a conference, produce an article for a professional journal, or share their work at Johns Hopkins' annual research symposium, helping students stand out to PhD mentors.

Additional program highlights include:

- **World-class institution:** Conduct research in state-of-the-art facilities with support from renowned faculty and leaders in the field.
- **Insightful seminars:** Explore current issues and innovations in psychology through interactive discussions and presentations.
- **Personalized mentorship:** Benefit from one-on-one guidance from faculty at the forefront of psychology research.
- **Tradition of excellence:** Johns Hopkins offers one of the 20 best psychology graduate programs in the nation, according to *U.S. News & World Report*.

Program Requirements

The Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences (<https://pbs.jhu.edu/graduate/requirements/>) emphasizes training and experience in the research methods essential to the development of new knowledge in the various sub-fields of psychology, such as biopsychology, cognitive psychology, and statistical methods. Alongside the coursework, you will complete scientific research within faculty-led laboratories to build specialized competencies in one of the following areas:

- Cognition
- Cognitive neuroscience
- Behavioral neuroscience
- Vision (philosophy and psychology)
- Computational approaches
- Cognitive development of infants and children

In addition to general university requirements, the Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences has the following regulations:

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses ¹		
AS.200.613	Fundamentals of Biopsychology	3
AS.200.617	Fundamentals of Cognitive Psychology	3
AS.200.654	Psychological & Brain Sciences Core Topics A	2
AS.200.657	Advanced Statistical Methods	3
AS.200.658	Advanced Research Design and Analysis	3
AS.200.661	Topics in Psychological & Brain Sciences	1
AS.200.680	Psychological & Brain Sciences Seminar (This course will be repeated.)	1
AS.200.662	Psychological and Brain Sciences: Career Development	1
AS.200.810	Research In Psychology (This course will be repeated.)	2

AS.200.830	Research Seminar in Psychological & Brain Sciences (urse will be repeated.)	2
AS.200.848	Current Advances in Psychological and Brain Sciences (This course will be taken every semester, as its content varies based on the invited speakers.)	1
AS.200.849	Teaching Practicum	2

¹ OTHER: Consult with advisor on registering for additional relevant offerings as appropriate i.e. Lab Meetings, Journal Clubs, Seminars, etc

Learning Outcomes

It is our goal that every successful graduate of the Master's program will leave the program with published work, be it a journal paper, a conference poster, or a conference talk. For a conference talk or poster there are two routes (submitting to and presenting at a recognized regional/ national/ international conference, or presenting in the "Advances in Mind and Brain" conference held each year at Johns Hopkins). These publication routes are not mutually exclusive, i.e., a very successful Master's student might have presentations at conferences as well as a submitted manuscript to list on their CV.