

Thesis Option Planned Program Example:

Under the thesis option, students normally complete the required courses and distribution requirements in their first year, and complete the thesis courses (PSY 590 and PSY 591) in their last two semesters.

Fall Semester, First Year

PSY 500 Design and Analysis
PSY 5xx (Group 1 or Group 2)
PSY 5xx (Elective)

Spring Semester, First Year

PSY 5xx (Group 1 or Group 2)
PSY 5xx (Elective)
PSY 589 Thesis Seminar

Fall Semester, Second Year

PSY 590 Thesis Proposal
PSY 5xx (Elective)

Spring Semester, Second Year

PSY 591 Thesis
PSY 5xx (Elective)

Comprehensive Exam Option Planned Program Example:

Students are advised to take at least five courses that can be used to prepare for the comprehensive exam. The exam is normally taken at the end of the student's last semester. The exam is focused on material from PSY 500 Design and Analysis and two other courses chosen by the student from a subset of regular psychology graduate offerings.

Fall Semester, First Year

PSY 500 Design and Analysis
PSY 5xx (Group 1 or Group 2)
PSY 5xx (Elective)

Spring Semester, First Year

PSY 5xx (Group 1 or Group 2)
PSY 5xx (Elective)
PSY 5xx (Elective)

Fall Semester, Second Year

PSY 5xx (Elective)
PSY 5xx (Elective)

Spring Semester, Second Year

PSY 5xx (Elective)
PSY 5xx (Elective)
(Comprehensive Exam usually taken now)