

# Doctor of Philosophy in Clinical Psychology

## Admission Requirements

The applicant must meet the School of Graduate Studies' current minimum general admission requirements as published in the graduate catalog.

1. A four-year bachelor's degree from a recognized college or university. For U.S. degrees, accreditation must be by one of the six regional accrediting associations.
2. Eighteen (18) hours of undergraduate work in psychology including a course in General Psychology, Developmental, Abnormal, Statistics, and Experimental Psychology.
3. A cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 3.2 for all undergraduate work.
4. Satisfy the School of Graduate Studies' English Language Proficiency requirements as published in the graduate catalog.
5. A year of biological science (biology, physiology, etc.).
6. A semester of college algebra.
7. General background in other social and natural sciences also recommended.

In addition to the other materials required in the application (personal statement, resume, etc.) applicants will complete an essay, following the prompt below:

*"An important mission of our program is to improve inclusion by expanding the diversity of our students' backgrounds and experiences. Please explain, in less than 300 words, how your membership in our PhD program would serve this mission. We are particularly interested in experiences that have shaped your unique perspective on the world; e.g., having been a McNair Scholar, being bilingual, having attended a tribal college or HBCU, having done research or service work with diverse or historically underserved populations, etc. Note that the program defines diversity in very broad terms, including but not limited to age, disability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, language, national origin, race, religion, culture, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic status."*

## Personal Statement

Applicants are required to submit a personal statement. Applicants should use their personal statements to tell us about themselves and to describe why they are applying to the program, what kind of research they would like to do at UND, which faculty member(s) they see as a potential research advisor, and what they would like to do after earning their degree.

## Curriculum Vitae

Applicants are required to submit a CV that lists applicants' educational and work experiences. Particular attention will be given to scholarly activities. Therefore, the CV should include 1) a listing of all research assistantships, including the semesters they occurred and a brief description of responsibilities, 2) a listing of all publications and research presentations, 3) a listing of all other scholarly activities, such as an independent thesis, research conducted through a McNair/TRIO scholarship, and any research awards sought or obtained.

## Quantitative Skills Coursework

Applicants must include either in their CV, or as a separate document, a listing of all the courses they have taken in which quantitative reasoning skills have played a significant role (for example, any course in math or statistics), along with the letter grade earned in each course.

## Degree Requirements

Students seeking the Doctor of Philosophy degree at the University of North Dakota must satisfy all general requirements set forth by the School of

Graduate Studies as well as particular requirements set forth by the Psychology Department.

1. Minimum of 60 credit hours beyond 30 credits from Masters degree work is required for the Ph.D. (minimum of 90 credit hours total).
2. Maintenance of at least a 3.0 GPA for all classes completed as a graduate student.
3. Completion of "Scholarly Tool" coursework to develop skills in research design including:

Code	Title	Credits
PSYC 541	Advanced Univariate Statistics	3
PSYC 542	Multivariate Statistics for Psychology	3
PSYC 543	Experimental Design	3
PSYC 573	Fundamentals of Therapeutic Intervention	1
PSYC 545	Applied Psychometrics I: Test Evaluation Application	1
PSYC 546	Applied Psychometrics II: Scale Development	1
PSYC 547	Applied Clinical Statistics Research Design	1

4. Completion of an empirical dissertation;
5. Graduate students in the clinical psychology Ph.D. program are required to meet a number of eligibility criteria to take comprehensive exams and establish candidacy for the Ph.D. degree. An assessment will be conducted after the student successfully completes all of the requirements for the Master of Science degree in general psychology. To remain in the Ph.D. program and proceed on to comprehensive exams, practicum assignments, dissertation research, and remaining coursework, the student must have:
  - a. earned a cumulative graduate grade point average of at least 3.5;
  - b. completed his or her M.S. degree within three years of enrollment;
  - c. gained the approval of a majority of the core and associated faculty of the clinical psychology doctoral program.
 Students failing to meet one or more of these requirements will be terminated from the Ph.D. program in clinical psychology.
6. Completion of the comprehensive examination for the Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology.
7. Completion of the following for the Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology:

Code	Title	Credits
	One calendar year of full-time internship; UNIV 994 (usually during the fifth year)	3
<b>Practicum experience which includes</b>		
PSYC 580	Clinical Practice	6
PSYC 587	Supervised Field Work (Will add a new course (1-2cr), PSYC 588: Additional Supervised Clinical Experience)	10
<b>Clinical coursework</b>		
PSYC 570	CA I: Neurocognitive Psychoeducational Assessment (Will reduce cr from 4 to 3 for PSYC 570)	3
PSYC 571	CA II: Assessment of Behavior Pathology (Will reduce PSTC 571 from 4cr to 3cr)	3
PSYC 574	Advanced Therapeutic Interventions with Adults	3
PSYC 575	Behavior Pathology	3
PSYC 576	Advanced Tx Interventions-Children/Adolescents	3
PSYC 579	Professional Issues and Ethics in Psychology	3
PSYC 581	Supervision Consultation	1
<b>Discipline-Specific Knowledge Coursework</b>		
PSYC 505	History of Psychology	3
PSYC 560	Advanced Social Psychology	3
PSYC 537	Physiology of Behavior and Psychophysiological Measurement	3
PSYC 539	Cognitive Psychology	3
PSYC 521	Diversity Psychology	3
PSYC 533	Theories of Learning	3
PSYC 551	Advanced Developmental Psych	3
PSYC 582	Affect Cognition	1

<b>Research Credits</b>		
PSYC 998	Thesis	4
PSYC 999	Dissertation	6
Electives		7
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>77</b>