

# Master of Arts in Psychology

### **Admission Requirements**

- 1. Applicants may be considered either as high school students or as undergraduates. High achieving high school students (GPA of at least 3.5/4.0 and an ACT score of 25 or higher) will initially be considered for "identified" status and become eligible for formal admission when they meet the same criteria that undergraduates must meet for admission. Admission is a competitive process and meeting the following minimum eligibility requirements doesn't guarantee admission.
  - a. All graduate admissions eligibility requirements (see academic catalog for the Accelerated Bachelor's/Master's (ABM) 5 Year Degree Program).
  - A minimum cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 3.20 (based on A= 4.00) for all undergraduate work.
  - c. Completion of Introduction to Statistics (PSYC 241), Research Methods in Psychology (PSYC 303), and Advanced Research Methods (PSYC 304), with a minimum grade of B in each course.
  - d. Applicants who are undergraduates must have completed at least 1 credit of either Independent Research (PSYC 294) or Advanced Individual Research (PSYC 494) and must have earned a minimum grade of B for each credit.

## **Degree Requirements**

Students seeking the Master of Arts 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 Department of Psychology. The exact requirements set forth by the Department of Psychology include that students complete, as appropriate, the requirements for one of the two concentrations listed below.

#### Concentration A: Behavioral Data Analytics

- · A minimum of 30 graduate credits.
- Nine (9) of the 30 credits must satisfy the requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Behavioral Data Analytics:

Code	Title	Credits
PSYC 540	Foundations of Behavioral Data Analytics	3
PSYC 541	Advanced Univariate Statistics	3
PSYC 542	Multivariate Statistics for Psychology	3

- Eighteen (18) of the 30 credits are elective course credits at the 500-level
  or above which are approved by the respective advisory committee and
  documented in the Program of Study. A minimum of 12 credits must consist
  of course credits offered by the Department of Psychology.
- Three (3) of the 30 credits must for an Independent Study (PSYC 997).
   To successfully complete these credits, students must prepare a written independent research report and deliver an oral presentation of their results to the advisor and interested faculty.

#### Concentration B: Forensic Psychology

- · A minimum of 30 graduate credits.
- Eighteen (18) of the 30 credits must include:

•	Code	Title	Credits
	PSYC 523	Forensic Assessment	3
	PSYC 524	Psychology and Law	3
	PSYC 540	Foundations of Behavioral Data Analytics	3
	PSYC 541	Advanced Univariate Statistics	3
	PSYC 543	Experimental Design	3
	PSYC 575	Behavior Pathology	3

Three (3) of the 30 credits must for an Independent Study (PSYC 997).
 To successfully complete these credits, students must prepare a written

independent research report and deliver an oral presentation of their results to the advisor and interested faculty.

· Choose three of the following Electives:

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1.	Code	Title	Credits
	PSYC 539	Cognitive Psychology	3
	PSYC 560	Advanced Social Psychology	3
	PSYC 587	Supervised Field Work	1-3
	PSYC 594	Special Topics in Psychology	1-3
	CJ 515	Human Nature and Crime	3
	CJ 535	Seminar in Juvenile Justice	3
	CJ 565	Victimology	3