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Graduate Programs

MA in Psychology

A candidate for the MA degree in psychology is required to complete 21 graduate credit hours in addition to nine thesis hours. The student must complete PSYC 301 and PSYC 302 and at least three graduate courses in the field of specialization. The remainder of the requirements can be chosen from other graduate-level courses in the department or in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, according to the student's interest and with the consent of the adviser.

PSYC 301 Research Methods and Statistical Analysis I 3.0; 3 cr.
An advanced course in research design for the psychological sciences. The course covers experimental and non experimental designs, as well as issues in cross-cultural psychological research. *Annually.*

PSYC 302 Research Methods and Statistical Analysis II 3.0; 3 cr.
An advanced course in statistical analyses for the social sciences. The course explores bivariate, multivariate and structural statistical analysis using SPSS the course combines both lecture and lab based sessions. *Annually.*

PSYC 303 Advanced Psychopathology 3.0; 3 cr.
A critical appraisal of western and indigenous approaches to abnormal behaviors including anxiety disorders, culture-bound syndromes, mood disorders, personality disorders, eating disorders, sexual disorders, cognitive disorders (e.g., Alzheimer's), schizophrenia, and substance-related disorders. *Prerequisite: PSYC 217. Annually.*

PSYC 305 Advanced Social Psychology 3.0; 3 cr.
A critical survey of social-psychological theory and research, with special emphasis on cross cultural variations, the course covers topics in social cognition and group processes. *Alternate years.*

PSYC 307 Clinical Assessment and Diagnosis 3.0; 3 cr.
A course on the history and method of assessment, and specific diagnostic techniques. *Prerequisite: PSYC 217. Annually.*

PSYC 309 Counseling and Psychotherapy 3.0; 3 cr.
A course on theories and practices of psychological counseling and psychotherapy. *Annually.*

PSYC 313 Special Topics in Clinical Psychology 3.0; 3 cr.
The topic varies from semester to semester. *May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor. Alternate years.*

PSYC 315/317 Special Topics in General Psychology 3.0; 3 cr.
The topic varies from semester to semester. *May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor. Annually.*

PSYC 319 Graduate Tutorial in Psychology 3.0; 3 cr.
May be repeated for credit. Prerequisites: Graduate standing and consent of instructor. Annually.

PSYC 399 MA Thesis 9 cr.
Annually.

MA in Sociology or Anthropology

A candidate for the MA degree in sociology or anthropology is required to complete 21 graduate credit hours in addition to a thesis. Sociology students must complete SOAN 300 and SOAN 312, and anthropology students must complete SOAN 300 and SOAN 310. Sociology students choosing a concentration in communication are also required to complete SOAN 313. The remainder of the requirements may be selected from other offerings in the department or in the FAS and other schools and faculties on campus, with the consent of the adviser and according to the interest of the graduate student.

SOAN 300 Graduate Research Methods 3.0; 3 cr.
An advanced course in the formulation of research problems, research designs, and techniques of data collection including quantitative and qualitative methods and micro versus macro approaches to social reality. Students participate in actual research projects and apply various techniques of data collection and analysis to interpret research findings. *Annually.*

SOAN 310 Seminar in Anthropological Theory 3.0; 3 cr.
An in-depth survey of the major theoretical developments in socio-cultural anthropology. The seminar focuses on both chronological treatment of issues and theories as well as the contributions of leading theorists. *Prerequisite: Graduate standing or consent of instructor. Annually.*

SOAN 312 Seminar in Sociological Theory 3.0; 3 cr.
The seminar explores critically some of the enduring controversies and major developments in sociological theory. An effort is first made to elucidate the origins, strategies, and ideological antecedents and components of sociological theory. A special focus is placed on the reformulations of the classic tradition and recent post-modern and other promising directions. *Alternate years.*

SOAN 313 Seminar in Communication Theory and Research 3.0; 3 cr.

The seminar introduces the student to trends in mass communication research and theoretical approaches to the communication process and communication context (small group communication, media processing and effects, media and society, culture and communication). Focus is placed on contemporary communication theories that have emerged in the discipline since the 1950s. *Annually.*

SOAN 314 Seminar in Persuasion Theory and Practice 3.0; 3 cr.

The seminar deals with how individuals exercise influence through communication. It examines the appropriate boundaries of persuasion research, the impact of persuasive practices, and the dynamic nature of persuasion inquiry. The seminar conducts an interdisciplinary examination of research in a wide range of areas related to persuasion of interest to mass communication students, psychologists, and public health practitioners. *Occasionally.*

SOAN 315 Seminar in Middle Eastern Culture and Society 3.0; 3 cr.

A seminar on special aspects of research with emphasis on the cultural mechanisms and processes of change in pastoral, rural, or urban communities. This course includes presentation and analysis of field data on the Middle East. *Occasionally.*

SOAN 316 Seminar in Communication and Development 3.0; 3 cr.

A seminar on the role of communication in developing societies, with a focus on the media as modernizing agent, and on questions that are relevant for the understanding of the socioeconomic developmental process in less developed cultures. *Alternate years.*

SOAN 317 Seminar in Mass Media in the Modern Arab Society 3.0; 3 cr.

A seminar on the political, social, and economic effects of the new communication technologies on modern Arab society. Special attention is given to the effects of cultural deviance in the media on children and the effects of the communication media on social and cultural change. *Alternate years.*

SOAN 318 Human Migration 3.0; 3 cr.

A comparative study of the causes and effects of human migration worldwide. This course covers issues concerned with voluntary and forced migration as well as temporary labor migration and voluntary migration and resettlement, with an emphasis on the Lebanese experience. *Alternate years.*

SOAN 320 Graduate Tutorial in Anthropology 3.0; 3 cr.

This, like other graduate tutorials in sociology and communication, is open to graduate students preferably during the second semester of the first year in their program of study. Tutorials provide opportunities for students to pursue directed readings and preliminary grounded research of relevance to their envisaged fields of concentration. *May be repeated for credit. Annually.*

SOAN 321 Graduate Tutorial in Sociology 3.0; 3 cr.

May be repeated for credit. Annually.

SOAN 322 Graduate Tutorial in Communication 3.0; 3 cr.

May be repeated for credit. Annually.

SOAN 323 Special Topics in Anthropology 3.0; 3 cr.

This, like other special topics in sociology and communication, is devoted normally to SOAN faculty or visiting professors and recognized scholars to explore topics of current interest. *May be repeated for credit. Occasionally.*

SOAN 324 Special Topics in Sociology 3.0; 3 cr.

May be repeated for credit. Occasionally.

SOAN 325 Special Topics in Communications 3.0; 3 cr.

May be repeated for credit. Occasionally.

SOAN 399 Thesis 9 cr.

Annually.