

Requirements for an Honors Degree in Psychology

The Department of Psychology will award the B.A. or B.S. degree in psychology *with honors* if the following conditions are met:

1. An overall minimum GPA of 3.5, and a minimum grade point average in all psychology courses taken at BGSU of 3.5
2. Enrollment in Psychology 4950H (fall) and 4960H (spring), and one other Psychology honors class.
3. Candidates must declare their intent to seek an Honors Degree at least three terms prior to the intended term of graduation. For example, Spring 2023 for those intending to graduate Spring 2024.
4. Student projects will be supervised by two faculty advisors, one from within the Psychology department, primarily responsible for the project, and the other a more informal advisor from inside or outside the Psychology department, who will provide additional input to the student.
5. Submission of an Honors Thesis to the Honors Committee, describing the student's independent research. Format should be suitable to a professional APA journal.
6. Public presentation of the student's research following approval of the Honors Thesis. This requirement may be fulfilled by presentation at a professional meeting (MPA or APA for example), by presentation at the BGSU Undergraduate Paper Conference, or by presentation at a specially arranged departmental colloquium.
7. The Honors Thesis must be delivered to the Honors Committee no later than 6 weeks prior to the commencement at which the student expects to receive the degree.
8. Because most research is collaborative in nature, co-authored papers are acceptable provided that evidence is available that the student's contribution to the research was both creative and substantial. In doubtful cases, the Honors Committee may seek additional information from the student and from other members of the faculty.
9. All decisions about acceptability of a student's qualifications will rest with the Honors Committee. Students may petition the Honors Committee for a modification or waiver of any of the above qualifications. The Honors Committee shall consist of three faculty members of the Department of Psychology.

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Declaration of Intent**

This form, as well as an attached list of all PSYC classes taken and grades received and a list of all PSYC classes to be taken, must be submitted to the Psychology Department room 206, a minimum of 3 semesters prior to student's intended term of graduation.

Student Name _____ ID# _____

Faculty Advisors: Primary _____

Secondary _____

Title of Thesis:

Psychology 4950H

Title Faculty Supervisor Date

Psychology 4960H

Title Faculty Supervisor Date

Describe the Public Presentation:

Approval: The student named above has successfully completed the requirements for an honors degree in Psychology.

Faculty Advisor 1. _____ Date _____

Faculty Advisor 2. _____ Date _____

Chair, Honors Committee _____ Date _____

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Psychology 4950H

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