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**Psychology Honors Program**

**Information and Application Form 2023**

The Psychology Honors Program is for Psychology majors considering graduate-level education who want in-depth exposure to research in Psychology. Completing the Psychology Honors Program reflects a student’s independence, commitment to the field, and expertise in an area.

**Here is the typical thesis track. Please note it covers 3 semesters.
Spring Junior Year: Student registers for Psychology 495H (Honors Seminar)**- In this course, each student develops a proposal for research that, generally, will be conducted under faculty supervision during the following academic year.

**Senior Year: Student registers for Psychology 497H and 498H with a faculty mentor.**- These two courses are offered back-to-back in the fall and spring. These courses involve conducting the project, collecting and analyzing the data for the project, and finalizing the writing of this project.
- Students generally use Fall (497H) to collect data and finish writing their introduction and method.
- Students generally use Spring (498H) to analyze their data and write their results and discussion.
- This program culminates with a full written paper following APA guidelines and formatting and is usually defended to the faculty mentor and a second faculty member.

**Eligibility:**
**GPA**
Your cumulative GPA at the end of Summer, 2023 should be **at least 3.3.**You should expect your GPA will remain **at least 3.3 at the end of the Fall 2023.**
**Prerequisites**By the end of Fall, 2023, you should have **completed PSY 317** (Behavioral Science Statistics: Inference) (or a course that satisfies the requirement of PSY 317) and **PSY 312** (Research Methods) (or PSY 412). In rare cases, with permission of the instructor of PSY 495H, a student may enroll in these courses concurrently with enrollment in PSY 495H.

*Any psychology major in the University Honors Program or University Scholars Program is already a Psychology Honors student.*

**Satisfying the eligibility criteria does not guarantee admission to the program.**

**How to Apply to the Program**

If you are not in the University Honors or Scholars Programs, and anticipate graduating in May or December 2025, you may apply to be in the Psychology Honors program.

**Directions:** Complete the attached form and the additional required statement. Email both as a PDF to e.goncy@csuohio.edu. The PDF should be a single document that contains all parts of the application.

**Admission**

*If your application is approved,* you will be given permission to register for PSY 495H. PSY 495H meets on Tuesday and Thursday from 2:00 to 3:15 p.m. in the spring semester. You will have to organize your spring schedule to accommodate this course.

**Important Dates:**

**Application Deadline:** Monday, November 6, at 5 p.m.
**Decisions and Notifications:** Friday, November 17, by end of the day

**495H:** Meets in spring semester ONLY from 2:00-3:15 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays

**497H:** Meets in fall semester of your senior year – time is determined by faculty mentor

**498H:** Meets in spring semester of your senior year – time is determined by faculty mentor

For additional information, please consult Dr. Goncy (e.goncy@csuohio.edu) the Director of the Psychology Honors Program.

Psychology Honors Program Application

1. **Basic Information**

Name:

Email:

CSU Student ID:

Major:

Overall GPA:

I have completed PSY 317 or another course that satisfies the requirement of PSY 317, or will have done so by the end of the Fall semester (please circle) **Yes No**

I have completed PSY 312 or PSY 412, or will have done so by the end of the Fall semester (please circle) **Yes No**

When do you plan to graduate? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **Potential Research Mentor**

If there is a faculty member under whose supervision you are likely to work, please identify him or her.

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1. **Statement**

Please attach a brief statement in which you explain your interest in the Honors Program in Psychology. You should also describe your research interests; your previous research experience, if any; and your career goals. Your statement should not exceed two double-spaced pages.

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