

**GRADUATE COUNCIL
PROPOSAL FOR CHANGE IN EXISTING COURSE/PROGRAM**

ORIGINATING UNIT: Psychology

TYPE OF ACTION:

	Change in existing course
X	Change in existing program

TYPE OF CHANGE REQUESTED:

	Number
	Title
	Description
	Pre-requisite(s)
	Drop course/program
X	Program requirements
	Other (specify):

Current CIP Code (programs only):

Does the change require a new or change in CIP Code: No

If yes, what is the proposed new CIP code? _____

*for reference please visit: <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/resources.aspx?y=56>

Semester and year change(s) takes effect: Fall 2020

Is the program already considered TCU STEM? Yes

Does the change include a request to be a TCU STEM program? No

Appropriate Computer Abbreviation (30 spaces or less): Psychology, MA (requirements)

Description of Change (i.e., **highlight**, bold, *italics*, or otherwise identify parts that are changed in proposed copy (omit if dropping a course or program))

Present catalog copy: Psychology, MA: A pre-doctoral Master of Arts (available by special permission only) or Master of Science in Experimental Psychology requires a minimum of 30 approved semester hours, including at least six semester hours of thesis (MS). This program is recommended for students who plan to pursue doctoral-level graduate study in the Psychology Program at TCU.

Proposed catalog copy: ~~Psychology, MA: A pre-doctoral Master of Arts (available by special permission only) or Master of Science in Experimental Psychology requires a minimum of 30 approved semester hours, including at least six semester hours of thesis~~

~~(MS). This program is recommended for students who plan to pursue doctoral level graduate study in the Psychology Program at TCU.~~

Psychology, MA (Non-Thesis) Requirements

The Master of Arts in Psychology (i.e., non-thesis option) requires a total of 36 hours of graduate coursework, including:

At least one of the following:

PSYC 50213 Interactive Data Analysis 3

PSYC 50523 Analysis of Variance 3

PSYC 60623 Regression Analysis 3

Approved Electives 33

A grade less than B- is considered failing within the department and can result in two consequences. First, the course will not count toward the MA degree and may be required to be repeated. Second, the failing grade may result in dismissal from the graduate program. If a student makes two grades of less than B-, in either the same or two different classes, the student may automatically be dismissed from the program. The department will also recommend that financial support be withdrawn. Thesis hours (PSYC 70980 & PSYC 70990) cannot count toward the MA degree.

Supporting Evidence of Justification: At present, we do not have course requirements listed for the MA degree in the TCU Graduate Catalog.

Explain how the change(s) will affect the current outcomes and assessment mechanisms?

This change should not influence current outcomes and assessments.

Additional Resources Required:

Faculty: Not applicable (N/A)

Space: N/A

Equipment: N/A

Library: N/A

Other: N/A

Change in teaching load:

Does this change affect any other units of the University? No

If yes, submit supporting statement signed by chair of affected unit.

If cross-listed, provide evidence of approval by all curriculum committees appropriate to both the originating and the cross-listed units.

Chair of Originating Unit:

Signature: 

Name: Anna Petursdottir

Unit: Psychology

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