School of Psychology

Advising Session For Spring 2018

Phase I Registration Oct 30-Dec 15

Drop In Advising (Rm. 131 JS COON):

Mon Oct 30, 9:00-11:00 am

School of Psychology Website! www.psych.gatech.edu

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Introductions

Dr. Frank Durso
Professor and Chair
School of Psychology



Dr. Jenny Singleton
Professor and
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Director of
Undergraduate
Studies

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Dr. Chris Stanzione Lecturer & UG Course Planning



Shebbie Murray Registration Coordinator Rm. 134



Upcoming Events! Psych Majors

SCHOOL OF PSYCHOLOGY

Friday Nov 3rd, 5-7 pm @ Tech Rec in the Student Center!!

A Get-to-Know-You Event for: Psych Faculty/Staff Psych Undergrads (majors & minors) Psych Club members

Free!! Food will be provided!!

Bowling! Billiards! Fun Games!

- Fri Nov 3, 5-7 pm: TEC REC for School of Psychology Party for Undergrads and Faculty!!
- Wed Nov 8, 1:00-2:00 pm, Lunch with Colloquium Speaker, Dr. Rick Thomas, GT Psychology (Talk @3)
- Wed Dec 6th, 1:00-2:00 pm, Lunch with Colloquium Speaker, Dr. David Blustein, Boston College

Introductions

Dr. Jenny Singleton, Associate Chair

Handouts

- Today's Slides will be posted on website
- Spring 2018 Courses Flyer
- Spring 2018 Time Schedule
- Psychology Course Requirements for Catalog 2016-2017
- Psychology course "flow chart"

Admissions News!!

19 new freshmen and incoming transfer students

The importance of using Degreeworks to monitor:

- GT requirements (see registrar's webpage)
- Psyc requirements
- GPA (must have 2.0 to graduate); See new GPA weighting of STEM classes for HOPE/ZELL
- ALL psychology courses must be taken for a GRADE (not pass/fail); only exception is free electives
- Accrued credit hours (must have 122 to graduate, keep in mind 36 hour rule)
- Sometimes Degreeworks doesn't apply alternative courses automatically (e.g., Learning & Memory in exchange for EAB); contact Dr. Singleton if you detect any problems in Degreeworks

OLD Required Psychology Core Typically offered every semester (except 4031)

- Psyc 1101: General Psychology
- Psyc 2015: Research Methods
- Psyc 2020: Statistics
- Psyc 2103: Human Development
- Psyc 2210: Social Psychology
- Psyc 3011: Cognitive Psychology
- Psyc 3020: Biopsychology
- Psyc 3031: Exp Analysis of Behavior (4 hrs, no longer offered)
 - Or Psyc 4025: Learning & Memory (Fall only, 3 hr) + 1 hr PSYC credit
- Psyc 3041: Sensation & Perception
- Psyc 4031: Applied Exp. Psych with Lab (SPRING ONLY, requires Psyc 3011/4011 prereq)
 - or Psyc 4600 Senior Thesis I + 4601 Senior Thesis II

NEW Required Psychology Core 2016-2017

Typically offered every semester (except 4025 Fall and 4031 Spring)

- Psyc 1101: General Psychology (3 hrs apply to Soc Sci Elec)
- Psyc 2015: Research Methods (3 hrs apply to Soc Sci Elec, 1 hr to free elective)
- Psyc 2020: Statistics

CHOOSE 2 from Group A

- Psyc 4011: Cognitive Psychology (**Prereq for PSYC 4031)
- Psyc 4020: Biopsychology
- Psyc 4041: Sensation & Perception
- Psyc 4025/4803: Learning & Memory (FALL ONLY)
 - (or 3031: Exp Analysis of Behavior, no longer offered)

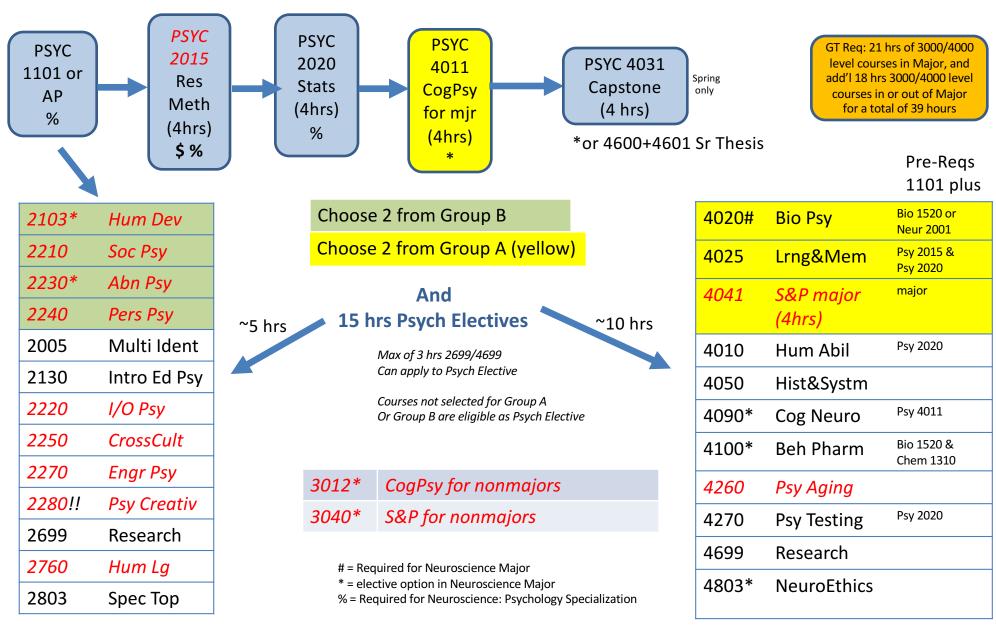
CHOOSE 2 from Group B

- Psyc 2103: Human Development
- Psyc 2210: Social Psychology
- Psyc 2230: Abnormal Psychology
- Psyc 2240: Personality Theory
- Psyc 4031: Applied Exp. Psych with Lab (SPRING ONLY, requires Psyc 3011/4011 prereq)
 - or Psyc 4601: Senior Thesis II

Required PSYC Electives (12 15 hours, C or better)

- 4 5 PSYC courses or 12 15 hours
 - each course must be at least 3 credits
 - Courses not used from Group A or Group B can be used for Psyc Elective
- Combined total of 3 hours of Psyc 2699 or 4699 may be counted as Psyc elective (be sure to SELECT GRADE OPTION, not pass/fail for these 3 hours)
- Only 3 hours of 2803 or 4803 can be counted for Psyc elective
- The following courses <u>cannot</u> be used for Psych elective, but can be used for free elective:
 - Psyc 3750, Psyc 3790, Psyc 4790, Psyc 4791, Psyc 4792
- If your two Group A choices add up to less than 8 hours, then you must make up the 2 hours by adding to Psyc Elective (e.g, 16 or 17 hrs instead of 15)

Psychology Majors complete GT Core Requirements + Bio 1510 and Bio 1520



RED Italic = Meets GT Social Science Elective

\$ = required in CS thread

Other things to keep in mind... (3000/4000 level Courses Worksheet)

- Students must take 21 total hours of 3000/4000 level courses in the major
- Students must take 39 total hours of 3000/4000 level courses OVERALL
- Students cannot take classes off campus (transfer credit) within the last 36 hours before graduation

Optional: Change Catalog Year

- Current Psych majors have the option to change catalog years to the 2016-2017 requirements, or stay with your original catalog requirements
- Use Degreeworks "What if" on left tab to explore which option works best for you

Other important info

- All psyc courses MUST BE TAKEN FOR A LETTER GRADE (not pass/fail)...check this when you are registering.
- GT rule: ONLY 9 hours total can be taken as pass/fail (mostly free elective). Most core requirements are Letter Grade (some Area E are allowed pass/fail)
- Reminder that some GT foundational courses have registration restrictions (e.g., CS 1301 is restricted to Fr/So in Phase I registration)
- Math 1501 (4hrs)/1502 (4hrs) numbering and course structure has changed to
 - Math 1551 (2hrs) /1552 (4hrs) /1553 (2hrs)
 - Degreeworks will automatically recognize this
 - 1501/1502 is no longer offered!!

Capstone Requirement

- Applied Experimental Psychology with Lab (4 hours) PSYC 4031
 - You must take Cog Psych 4011 (not 3012) as a prerequisite for Psyc 4031. 4031 is offered in SPRING terms only.
 - You must have Instructor permission to take 4011 concurrently with 4031
 - You must be a senior

Or

 Conduct a Senior Thesis (PSYC 4601: Senior Thesis II, 4 hours) under the supervision of a faculty member. Typically taken after PSYC 4600: Senior Thesis I. MUST COMPLETE FORM

GT Courses of Interest

- Physics 2211 (Fall) and 2212 (Spring)
 for Life Sciences (Restricted to Biology, Psych,
 NEUR majors)
 - Spring: Physics 2212 Section C (CRN 29590)
 - MWF 9 am (+ lab C01 or C02)
 - Pre-req MATH 1552
- CS 1301 with online lecture (D. Joyner)
 - CRN 29457

Neuroscience Major

- www.cos.gatech.edu/neuroscience
- Neuroscience major builds on many existing GT courses along with several new NEUR courses (NEUR 2001, req Bio1510, PSYC 1101)
- Neuroscience majors can choose the "Psychology Breadth"

New: Psychology Exit Exam

- Academic Effectiveness (University Accreditation):
 - How do we measure whether you learned anything about Psychology after meeting all of the requirements of the major?
 - We are required to establish and evaluate student learning outcomes (beyond grades you receive in courses); it's also a good idea for us to get feedback
 - GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY: Graduating Seniors ONLY (Late Nov/Early Dec):
 - Complete the ETS Major Field Test for Psychology (not GRE: Psychology or MCAT), about 2 hours, no preparation required
 - LEARNING OUTCOME FOCUS: RESEARCH METHODS & INTERPRETING PSYCHOLOGICAL DATA (starting Fall 2017):
 - tracking student performance beyond PSYC 2015 and PSYC 2020
 - Faculty will use an Evaluation Rubric for Capstone and Sr. Thesis
 - Embedded questions within final exams of "Group A" 4000-level courses will focus on Research Methods and Interpreting Psychological data

Undergraduate Research

- Lab research opportunities listed on School's website and bulletin board
 - Contact individual faculty member to see if there are openings for undergrad research assistants; some will want a multi-semester commitment
- If Fr/Soph register for PSYC 2699
- If Jr/Sr register for PSYC 4699
- Lab Advisors set the grading option for Pass/Fail or Grade, so be sure to check
- Up to 3 hours 2699/4699 can count for PSYC elective, but you can take more hours and use that toward free electives. SET THE CREDIT HOURS WHEN YOU REGISTER!!
- Must get Faculty signature on Blue Registration Permit to enroll; turn form into Shebbie Murray, Rm. 134

Other details....

- Study Abroad, International Plan, Internships
- B.S. Psych: Business Option
- Double majors
- Minors & Certificates in PSYC
 - New Health & Medical Sciences Minor @ GT
- REMINDER: Drop Deadline is Oct 28th

Support....

- Center for Academic Success
 (success.gatech.edu) in Clough Commons
 - Walk In hours MWF 11-1, Tu/Th 4-6 pm
 - Dealing with Academic Stress Workshop Tues Nov.
 7, 4:15-5:15 pm
 - Now hiring 1 on 1 tutors
- Peer Coaching & Outreach workshops from GT Counseling Center (counseling.gatech.edu)
- Academic Petition Process for Retroactive Withdrawal (course or whole semester); see Registrar's website

Counseling Center: Life Skills Workshops counseling.gatech.edu

- Each workshop lasts for approximately one hour. We currently have five workshops for Counseling Center Clients:
- Mind over Mood: This workshop will help participants better understand the relationship between thoughts, emotions, and behaviors. In addition, participants will be able to identify common problematic thought patterns, as well as learn concepts and skills to modify the thought patterns that cause negative moods and anxiety.
- Managing Stress: This workshop will help participants develop a better understanding of stress and the
 various ways it influences your mind, body, and behaviors. In addition, participants will discuss specific
 strategies for managing stress, as well as identify and practice mind-body techniques that are helpful in
 dealing with stress and anxiety.
- **Time Management & Procrastination**: This workshop will help participants to identify the importance of effective time management skills, as well as common obstacles to good time management. Participants will develop a deeper understanding of some of the common factors contributing to procrastination, as well as identify specific ways to manage their time more effectively.
- Introduction to Mindfulness: Mindfulness can be defined as moment to moment awareness and a process by which one develops new kinds of control and wisdom in our lives, based on our inner capacities for relaxation, paying attention, awareness, and insight. Participants will be introduced to and develop a greater understanding of mindfulness and various ways it can be beneficial. In addition, participants will identify and practice formal and informal mindfulness strategies.
- **Better Sleep**: This workshop will help participants develop a better understanding of the importance of good sleep. In addition, participants will be able to identify behaviors that interfere with sleep, as well as skills to improve one's sleep.

Get Involved!!

- PSYC Club (open to all Psyc majors & minors)
 - Every other Tuesday 6:00 pm
 - TEC REC (Nov 3 5-7 pm); Final Stretch Donuts
- Psi Chi (Psychology Honor's Society for Jr/Sr)
 - Contact Dr. Audrey Duarte, sponsor
- Volunteer as "Student Ambassadors" for School of Psychology
 - Campus Majors Fair, Campus Health Fair
 - Lunch with visiting HS students interested in Psychology
 - Homecoming, Family Weekend
 - New student orientations/Advising Sessions
- Be sure you are receiving Emails from psych-ugrad

Need more assistance?

- Dr. Jenny Singleton, Associate Chair
- Office Location: Rm. 131 JS Coon
- Office Ph: 404-894-2681
- Email: ugadvising@psych.gatech.edu
- Email questions to Dr. Singleton
- Sign up for an Appointment with Dr. Singleton (<u>www.gatech.gradesfirst.com</u>)
- Spring 2018: New Academic Advisor on board!
- Ask Shebbie Murray in Room 134
- Check with Registrar's office advisors