

**Villanova University
M.S. Program in Psychology
2009-2010 Information**

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APPLICANT PREREQUISITES

To be eligible to apply to the program, an applicant must have completed (or be currently enrolled in) at least 18 undergraduate hours in psychology, including statistics and one laboratory course. Results of the GRE General test, official transcripts, and three letters of recommendation are required elements of an application. A Statement of Purpose is encouraged.

TUITION

Tuition for the 2009-2010 academic year is \$630 per credit hour. Students in the program generally take 9 credit hours per semester during the first year of the program and 6 credit hours per semester during the second year.

FINANCIAL AID

The following types of financial aid are available to students on a competitive basis:

Tuition Scholarships – remission of tuition and fees (7 hours per week commitment)

Half-time Graduate Assistantships – remission of tuition and fees; 2008-2009 stipend \$6,550 (14 hours per week commitment)

Full-time Graduate Assistantships – remission of tuition and fees; 2008-2009 stipend \$13,100 (20 hours per week commitment)

ENTERING CLASS OF 2009 STATISTICS

Number of students entering program: 22

Mean Grade Point Average: 3.7

Mean GRE scores: Verbal- 582; Quantitative- 668; Analytical Writing- 5.0

Number receiving program financial aid: 9

PROGRAM CURRICULUM

The following courses are required:

PSY 8000 Seminar in Research: Concepts, Issues, and Methods (generally taken Fall of First Year)

PSY 8100 Statistics and Experimental Design (generally taken Spring of First Year)

PSY 8050 Biological Psychology (generally taken Fall of First Year)

PSY 8150 Cognitive Psychology (generally taken Spring of First Year)

PSY 9032 Thesis I (generally taken Fall of Second Year)

PSY 9033 Thesis II (generally taken Spring of Second Year)

Program Electives (A total of 4 electives are required)

At least 3 electives from among the following:

PSY 8175 Animal Conditioning and
Associative Learning

PSY 8200 Perception

PSY 8225 Psychopathology

PSY 8275 Theories of Psychotherapy

PSY 8300 Developmental Psychology

PSY 8325 Psychological Testing

PSY 8350 History and Systems

PSY 8400 Personality: Experimental Research

PSY 8450 Psychological Measurement

PSY 8500 Psychopharmacology

PSY 8550 Social Psychology

PSY 8900 Special Topics

PSY 9031 Individual Research

With advisor approval, 1 elective may be from among the following non-program electives or may be a graduate course offered by another academic department:

PSY 8425 Organizational Psychology

PSY 8475 Leadership and Small Group Behavior

PSY 8825 Psychology of Personnel Administration

PSY 8850 Personality Theories

PSY 8875 Psychology of Organizational Change