DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN THE FIELD OF CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY

The doctor of philosophy in the field of clinical psychology degree program is designed to train professionals who are committed to the scientific method and who have careers involving the application of empirical inquiry and findings to the development and provision of prevention and treatment services. The unifying theme of the program is the prevention of behavioral, emotional, and physical problems and the promotion of health in diverse urban communities. Faculty subscribe to a range of theoretical orientations, including cognitive-behavioral, family systems, social ecology, and community frameworks. These faculty perspectives enable students to develop a broad base of knowledge, as well as the opportunity to specialize in particular areas of research and/or evidence-based application.

Visit the [program website](https://psychology.columbian.gwu.edu/clinical) for additional information.

REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled:

The general requirements stated under Columbian College of Arts and Sciences, Graduate Programs (https://bulletin.gwu.edu/arts-sciences/#degreeregulationstext).

The requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Program (https://bulletin.gwu.edu/arts-sciences/#doctoraltext).

72 credits, including 54 credits in required courses, 6 credits in elective courses, and 12 credits in dissertation. Students also take five zero-credit courses and successfully complete a comprehensive examination.

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**Required courses**

- PSYC 8250: Seminar in Cognitive Neuroscience
- PSYC 8253: Social Cognition
- PSYC 8207: Psychological Assessment I
- PSYC 8208: Psychological Assessment II
- PSYC 8211: Community Psychology I
- PSYC 8212: Community Psychology II
- PSYC 8218: Evidence-Based Interventions
- PSYC 8220: Ethics and Professional Issues
- PSYC 8236: Ethnic and Racial Diversity in Psychology
- PSYC 8237: The Practice of General Psychology I
- PSYC 8238: The Practice of General Psychology II
- PSYC 8239: Lifespan Developmental Psychopathology I
- PSYC 8240: Lifespan Developmental Psychopathology II

**Required zero-credit courses**

- PSYC 8280: Theories and Practice of Clinical Supervision
- PSYC 8283: First Year Seminar I: Motivational Interviewing
- PSYC 8284: First Year Seminar II: Introduction to Therapy
- PSYC 8285: History and Systems of Psychology
- PSYC 8286: Clinical Psychology Externship

**Electives**

6 credits in elective courses outside of the clinical program.

**Dissertation**

- PSYC 8998: Advanced Reading and Research
- PSYC 8999: Dissertation Research