

# CLINICAL RESEARCH METHODOLOGY (M.S.)

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Students will complete a total of 36 credits, including four required “core” courses, primarily focusing on essential elements of clinical psychology research. In addition, students will take two scientific “breadth” courses, reflecting the scientific underpinnings of psychology, and four elective courses. The final 6 credits are comprised of the Master’s thesis research, including a “research practicum” experience in which the student works in the lab of a faculty member or collaborator. Students are expected to complete the program in two years, typically taking three classes each semester in the first year, and two classes per semester in their second year, along with two courses that fulfill the research practicum and completion of the M.S. thesis.

Although the “research” credits are typically taken in the second year, students are expected to begin working on research throughout their time in the program, whether in a faculty member’s research lab or in an external research setting. In addition, students should plan on beginning to develop the Master’s thesis in the first year. Note that this intended curriculum is not mandatory; some students may elect to complete the program more rapidly (e.g., by taking summer courses and/or completing the thesis in the Fall of their 2nd year) and others may proceed through the program more slowly.

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## CIP Code

42.2799 - Research and Experimental Psychology, Other.

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