Psychology Department Online Application Guide

Please read all instructions carefully before submitting your application. Failure to follow instructions may result in your application not being reviewed.

- 1) Go to http://www.admissions.ufl.edu/start.html to begin the application process
- 2) For "Choose your Level of Application", click on ">>Graduate"



3) A new window will pop up with "Choose Application Function" (make sure that you allow pop-ups from ufl.edu). Select "Create a New User Account".



4) Follow the instructions on the screen to create your username and password. This is what you will use to return to a saved application.

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5) After creating the temporary username and password, you'll be taken to the main application screen. Please note that you can save your application at any time by clicking the "Save" button in the lower right corner. You should save after completing each page.

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You can also "jump" to different parts of the application as needed by using the navigation bar at the top of the screen. You do not need to fill out your application in precisely this order, but you do need to make sure that all portions of the application are complete before submitting.

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<u>Personal Info</u> – Please read the instructions on this page and complete all fields.

<u>Special Programs Info</u> – Please complete the sections that apply to you. If no items in this section apply to you, leave everything blank and Save.

<u>**Degree Programs**</u> – Please fill this section out carefully. <u>If this section is filled out incorrectly or</u> left incomplete, it will result in your application not being reviewed by the department.

Intended Term and Year = Fall 2012 (this is the term you would start in if accepted to the program. We only admit students in the Fall semester)

Degree Goal = Doctor of Philosophy (Psychology is a PhD program)

Program of Study:

<u>IF APPLYING TO COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY</u> = Select "Counseling Psychology" from the drop-down menu. The menu is in alphabetical order, so you'll find Counseling Psychology just above "Criminology, Law and Society". You do not need to indicate a program specialization if you are applying to Counseling Psychology, UNLESS you have a secondary area of interest. See instructions on page 6 for details.

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<u>IF APPLYING TO ANY OTHER AREA OF PSYCHOLOGY</u> = Select "Psychology-Lib Arts & Sciences", and under "Program Specialization", indicate one of the following areas of Psychology:

Behavior Analysis

Behavioral & Cognitive Neuroscience (BCN)

Developmental

Social

It is important to note that, although the application says "Program Specialization (optional)", indicating your specialization is NOT optional for our program. We cannot review your application to Psychology without a specialization.

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SECONDARY AREAS OF INTEREST

- If you have a secondary area of interest, you may indicate two areas and number them. For example: 1) BCN, 2) BA
- If your secondary area of interest is Counseling, follow the same instructions as above. For example: 1) Social, 2) Counseling
- If your primary interest is Counseling with a secondary interest in another area of Psychology, use the instructions for applying to the Counseling program (select "Counseling Psychology" from the drop-down menu and write in your secondary area of interest under "Program Specialization" and number that item "2)".
 For example: 2) Social

Statement of Purpose: Please be aware that there is a 500 word limit on the statement of purpose, so if you write an essay that is more than 500 words and paste it into the text box, it will be truncated.

Program 2 and/or 3: Use these tabs if you are applying to other programs in addition to Psychology. Otherwise, you may leave these blank.

Education and Activities – Please remember that the GPA is UPPER-DIVISION. You should calculate all grades earned after the semester in which you earned 60 semester hours (90 quarter semester hours). If you have questions about how to properly compute grades, an in-depth worksheet is available here: <u>http://www.admissions.ufl.edu/pdf/worksheet.pdf</u>

Also, be sure to submit your resume/CV under the "Resume/Other (Optional)" section of this page. Please note that your resume/CV is a necessary part of the application, and is not optional. Please upload this document in PDF format; we cannot guarantee that resumes uploaded in any other format will be reviewed due to the possibility of technical difficulties.

<u>Residency Affidavit</u> – Follow instructions on this page. If you are not eligible for any of the Florida residency categories, leave all boxes unchecked and click "Save" to continue to the Non-Florida resident certification page.

<u>**Recommendations**</u> – Please note that the online Recommendation letters for the Psychology program are **REQUIRED**, not optional. All 3 recommendation letters should be submitted online, so you will need to submit 3 different recommendation requests. Also, please be advised that it is your responsibility to check the Status tab after submitting your application and confirm that all of your recommenders have sent in their letters of reference.

Access to this Recommendation Request: waiving your right of access means that you will not be permitted to read the letter that your recommender wrote about you. You are welcome to maintain your right of access, but waiving that right means that your recommender can write as frankly and completely as possible.

<u>Application Summary</u> – Please review this page carefully and confirm that all of the information you have entered in your application is correct before submitting.

<u>Submit</u> – Once you have completed and saved each part of the application, this item will appear in the legend at the top of the screen. Read and check off the certification notice, and follow the instructions regarding your App Summary, UF ID, and username and password. Then you may click "Submit Application". You cannot make changes to your application after submitting.

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Important Notes

- Make sure to send your GRE score and transcripts to the Office of Graduate Admissions.
 - GRE scores should be sent to institution code 5812. Please do NOT indicate the Psychology Dept as the score recipient, as that will result in the scores being sent directly to the department instead. Scores sent to the department instead of Graduate Admissions cannot be processed.
 - Transcripts should be ordered from each university that you have attended, and should arrive in a sealed envelope bearing the stamp of the university. Transcripts should be mailed to:

University of Florida Office of Graduate Admissions 201 Criser Hall PO Box 114000 Gainesville, FL 32611-4000

- Make sure that you write down your UF ID, username, and password, and keep these in a safe place. You will need to refer to these items in order set up a Gatorlink account and check your application status at http://www.admissions.ufl.edu/appstatus.html
 - This application status tool will tell you what documents are missing/not yet arrived/not yet processed in regards to your application.
 - Please be aware that the Graduate Admissions Office processes thousands of applications for the entire university, so it may take several weeks at peak application time (November-December) for them to process your documents and show them as "received" in the Application Status screen.
 - The Psychology Department cannot provide status updates, process your GRE scores/transcripts, contact Graduate Admissions on your behalf, etc. If you have questions regarding missing items in your application, please contact Graduate Admissions at 352-392-1365.
- The \$30 application fee can be paid by check or credit card. Please do not send any application fee payments to the Department of Psychology. For more details, see the App Checklist from Grad Admissions: <u>http://www.admissions.ufl.edu/grad/gradchecklist.html</u>
- It is not necessary to mail the Assistantship/Fellowship Application form to the Department of Psychology. All students will be considered for any Fellowships and/or Assistantships for which they are eligible.
- If you have a question that was not answered by this instruction guide or any of the information on our website, please email the Graduate Program Assistant at psych-info@ufl.edu