Area-specific typical progress sequence MA AS

Please note that every thesis degree will be different; often times depending on the thesis research project. For example, some projects will have very extensive and time consuming data collection stages, whereas others may take extra time at the analysis stage. These guidelines are suggestions. Be sure to work out key goals and a timeline in consultation with your advisor and to update your goals and timeline in collaboration with your advisor every semester.

Master:

- Stats
- Ethics
- Practicum (must be applied)
- One course from methods list
- A first course from the AS core
- A second course from the AS core

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AS core: two need to be taken at Master + one at PhD

- Applied Social Psychology and Interventions
- Critical Approaches to Applied Social Psychology
- Community, Culture and Global Citizenship

AS Methods list:

- Psychological Applications of Multivariate Analysis
- Program Evaluation
- Psychological Measurement
- Qualitative Methods in Psychology
- Research Seminar
- Research Methods

MA year 1

Semester 1 Fall

Courses

- PSYC*6060 [0.50] Research Design and Statistics

OR

- PSYC*6940 [0.50] Discrete Variable Statistics
  (upon consultation with Advisor as to which is most appropriate)

- PSYC*6880 [0.25] Ethical Issues in Psychology
- One of the following three core AS courses
  - PSYC*6910 [0.50] Critical Approaches to Applied Social Psychology
  - PSYC*6920 [0.50] Applied Social Psychology and Interventions
  - PSYC*6930 [0.50] Community, Culture and Global Citizenship

Practicum

- Meet with practicum coordinator

MA thesis

- Draft ideas for proposals

Independent research

- Consider getting involved in a project that is independent from your MA research either with your supervisor or another faculty member

Scholarships

- Apply for OGS
- Apply for SSHRC or other Tri council scholarship
- Other options may also available depending on your research topic search the web and discuss with your supervisor

Other

- None

Semester 2 Winter

Courses

- One of the following three core AS courses
  - PSYC*6910 [0.50] Critical Approaches to Applied Social Psychology
  - PSYC*6920 [0.50] Applied Social Psychology and Interventions
  - PSYC*6930 [0.50] Community, Culture and Global Citizenship

- One elective from the following list:
  - PSYC*6380 [0.50] Psychological Applications of Multivariate Analysis
  - PSYC*6521 [0.25] Research Seminar I
  - PSYC*6670 [0.50] Research Methods
  - PSYC*6840 [0.50] Program Evaluation
  - PSYC*7070 [0.50] Psychological Measurement
  - PSYC*6950 [0.50] Qualitative Methods in Psychology

Practicum

- PSYC*6471 Practicum I (Depending on options for practicum)

MA thesis

- MA thesis proposal draft submitted to advisor (see MA Thesis proposal section for more information)
- Form MA thesis committee, no later than the 10th week of the 2nd semester
- Initial MA committee meeting

Independent research

- If applicable continue involvement in project that is independent from your MA research either with your supervisor or another faculty member

Scholarships

- Nothing

Other

- None

Semester 3 Summer

Courses

- Typically available optional courses
    - PSYC*6521 Research Seminar

Practicum

- PSYC*6471 Practicum I (Depending on options for practicum)

MA thesis

- MA proposal examination
- Approval of MA proposal by committee
- Ethics for MA research (if applicable; note the REB review process typically takes 2 to 4 weeks)

Independent research

- If applicable continue involvement in project that is independent from your MA research either with your supervisor or another faculty member

Scholarships

- Revise OGS, SSHRC and any other grant application

Other

- Early stages of PhD application, if applicable

*Important departmental milestones to achieve during the degree (full-time registration only): MA/MSc must have their approved thesis proposal: 3rd semester. If the milestone is not met it will result in a "Some concerns" on the student's progress report.

MA Year 2

Semester 4 Fall

Courses

- Courses have typically been completed during the first year - complete any courses not completed in first year.

Practicum

- None, typically has been completed during the first year. Complete in Semester 4 if not completed in first year.

MA thesis

- Collection of data for MA

Independent research

- If applicable continue involvement in project that is independent from your MA research either with your supervisor or another faculty member

Scholarships

- Apply for OGS for the PhD (if applicable)
- Apply for SSHRC or other Tri council scholarship for the PhD (if applicable)
- Other options for the PhD (if applicable) may also available depending on your research topic search the web and discuss with your supervisor

Other

- Apply to PhD, if applicable

Semester 5 Winter

Courses

- Course have typically been completed during the first year

Practicum

- None, typically has been completed during the first year

MA thesis

- Analysis of MA data (It is suggested to update the advisory committee after data analysis)
- Writing of MA thesis

Independent research

- If applicable continue involvement in project that is independent from your MA research either with your supervisor or another faculty member

Scholarships

- None

Semester 6 Summer

Courses

- None

Practicum

- None

MA thesis

- MA thesis examination (defense) (It is recommended to schedule defenses late spring or early summer)

Independent research

- If applicable continue involvement in project that is independent from your MA research either with your supervisor or another faculty member

Scholarships

- Prepare application for PhD scholarships for PhD year 2 if applicable

*Important departmental milestones to achieve during the degree (full-time registration only): MA/MSc must have their thesis defended: 6th semester. If the milestone is not met it will result in a “Some concerns” on the student’s progress report.

IMPORTANT TO NOTE:

As a student cannot be in 2 programs at the same time, the expectation is that a continuing master’s with a doctoral offer for the semester following their last MA semester will defend by the middle of their last MA semester or earlier.

If you are unable to successfully finalize your master’s with the Office of Graduate Studies no later than a week before the start of your first PhD semester, this doctoral offer of admission may become be null and void.

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