In addition to departmental requirements, candidates for graduate degrees must fulfill University requirements described in the “Graduate Education” section of the UCSB General Catalog.

The time-to-degree for the Ph.D. is 3 years to advance to candidacy and six years to complete the degree. Students enrolled in the Ph.D. program must satisfy the following departmental requirements.

### STATISTICS (12.0 units total)

Doctoral-level performance in two statistics courses (PSY 221A-B) in Year 1 with a B+ average grade and one additional statistics course from approved list ([http://tinyurl.com/k7d2qhp](http://tinyurl.com/k7d2qhp)) in Year 1 or 2 with a B+ or S grade.

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### COURSES (30.0 – 36.0 units)

A. Nine additional courses (200 or 594 level graduate courses). Three of these must be taken during Year 1 and must be 200-level PSY courses, taken for a letter grade with a B+ average grade (only two 200-level PSY courses are needed in Year 1 if the ‘additional statistics course’ from Part A is also a 200-level PSY course, taken for a grade). Courses in the second year may be 200 or 594 level graduate courses or, with permission of the student’s advisor, upper-division undergraduate courses; can be taken outside the department; and can be taken P/NP or S/U.
### TEACHING REQUIREMENT

Satisfactory performance in Psychology Teaching Assistant Advisory Panel during Year 1.

Students must serve as a Teaching Assistant for PSY 1, 5, an upper-division laboratory class, or as an Associate for a Psychology course for at least one quarter.

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### RESEARCH REQUIREMENT

Satisfactory performance in at least 4 units of research every quarter. Prior to advancement to candidacy students must register for PSY 596 units; after advancing to candidacy students must enroll in PSY 599.

Satisfactory performance in area seminar (PSY 592) every quarter.

Satisfactory completion in Year 1 of First Year Progress Report describing accomplishments in 12 units of PSY 596.

Satisfactory completion in Year 2 of a second year research paper equivalent to a master’s thesis and presentation of this research orally at the annual departmental mini-convention.

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### Ph.D. QUALIFYING EXAMS/ ADVANCEMENT TO CANDIDACY

The Ph.D. qualifying exams consist of at least one written examination and an oral examination.

The purpose of the qualifying examination is to demonstrate that a student has mastered the literature of their general area. The written examination must be completed before Fall quarter of Year 3 and the oral examination must be completed by the end of Fall quarter of the Year 3.

Ph.D. Qualifying Written Examination passed on (date): ________________

Within two weeks of passing the written examination, students schedule the oral examination. The purpose of the oral examination is to demonstrate that the student has both the knowledge and the skills necessary to proceed with independent research at the doctoral level.

Ph.D. Qualifying Oral Examination passed on (date): ________________

Advanced to Candidacy: ________________ (Qtr/year)
Within two quarters of advancing to candidacy, students will prepare a final dissertation proposal to be presented and approved by the doctoral committee. The student’s doctoral committee will require an oral hearing prior to approving the proposal. The final dissertation proposal is filed in the Graduate Program office.

**Doctoral Committee:**  
Chair: __________________________

Member: __________________________

Member: __________________________

Member: __________________________

Approved Dissertation Proposal completed: ________________ (date)

Students are required to complete a public dissertation lecture, pass the doctoral oral defense, and complete an acceptable doctoral dissertation.

Public Dissertation Lecture completed: ________________ (date)

Doctoral Oral Defense passed on: ________________ (date)

Dissertation filed on: ________________ (date)