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## New Combined Degree Program Request

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### New Combined Degree Program Request

Proposed Program: B.S. NS&B/M.A. Psychology IP: \_\_\_\_\_ Effective Date (Term/Year): Fall 2022 / \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g. Fall/2020)

Proposed Combined Program Information	Undergraduate	Graduate
Degree Level (e.g. B.A., B.S., M.A., M.S., etc.)	B.S.	M.A.
Program Name (e.g. Physics, Engineering, etc.)	Neuroscience and Behavior	Psychology
College	Science	Science
Department	Psychology	Psychology
Program Description (provide a brief description of the program, including thesis or non-thesis option)	The Combined Bachelors/Masters Program in Psychology will allow highly-qualified students to complete the requirements for both a B.S. degree in Neuroscience and Behavior and a Masters degree in Psychology in five years. The program requires 156 credits of which 120 are for the Bachelors degree and 36 credits are for the M.A. degree. Students apply to the program in the second semester of their Junior year or upon completion of 60 credits in a Bachelors program at FAU. Once admitted, students may take up to 12 credits of graduate course work in their Senior year, which may be used to satisfy the requirements of both the undergraduate and graduate degrees.	

### Curriculum Requirements

**GPA Requirements:** Departments must establish a minimum undergraduate GPA for students to be admitted to a combined program. *Note: Please attach explanation.*  
Students must have a minimum GPA of 3.6 in upper division course work.

**List courses to be shared:** Up to twelve (12) credit hours of graduate courses (5000 level or above course work) may be shared between the graduate and undergraduate degree for a combined program. *Note: Please attach explanation:*

- Academic justification for shared credits and catalog language
- List the undergraduate course that will be replaced by graduate courses.

Faculty Submitting Request	Name	Signature	Email	Date
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Approved by	Date
Department Chair: <u><i>Robin Vallacher</i></u>	11/12/2020
College Dean: <u><i>Walter Dil Kalins</i></u>	01/28/22
College Curriculum Chair: <u><i>Kay Symon</i></u>	1-28-22 <sup>KDS</sup> 02/07/2022 (MEP)
UUPC Chair: <u><i>Chlyn Williams</i></u>	2-28-22
Undergraduate Studies Dean: <u><i>Daniel Meeroff</i></u> <small>(Note: Forward approved form to <a href="mailto:UGPC@fau.edu">UGPC@fau.edu</a>)</small>	2-28-22
UGPC Chair: _____	_____
Graduate College Dean: _____	_____
UFS President: _____	_____
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Email this form and supporting documents to [mjennning@fau.edu](mailto:mjennning@fau.edu) seven (7) business days before the UUPC meeting.

## Combined Bachelor of Science with Major in Neuroscience and Behavior/Master of Arts with Major in Psychology

The Combined Bachelor of Science/Master of Arts Program allows highly-qualified students to complete the requirements for both a B.O. degree in Neuroscience and Behavior and a M.A. degree in Psychology in five years.

### **Admissions Requirements**

Students may apply to the program in the second semester of their Junior year or upon completion of 60 credits in a Bachelors program at FAU. To be eligible, students must have a minimum GPA of 3.6 in upper division course work. In addition, they must have research experience either through Directed Independent Research (PSB 4917, PSB 4915, PSY 4915, PSY 4916) or an equivalent research venue (e.g., as a grant-funded research assistant). Finally, students must have secured the agreement of a faculty member to serve as their graduate mentor prior to applying to the program.

### **Degree Requirements**

Students admitted to the program will fulfill all of the requirements for both the Bachelors and Masters degrees, including a Masters thesis. The program requires 156 credits of which 120 are for the Bachelors degree and 36 credits are for the M.A. degree. Once admitted, students may take up to 12 credits of graduate course work in their Senior year, which may be used to satisfy the requirements of both the undergraduate and graduate degrees.

### **Course Requirements**

All graduate courses must be at the 5000 level or higher. Students may enroll in graduate courses from any of the core areas of the program (Behavioral Neuroscience, Cognition, Developmental, Social; see below) only after completing the corresponding undergraduate core course in that area (PSB 3002 Biological Bases of Behavior; EXP 3505 Cognition; DEP 3053 Psychology of Human Development; SOP 3004 Social Psychology, respectively). Similarly, students may enroll in graduate statistics courses (e.g., PSY 6206) only after completing PSY 3234 Experimental Design and Statistical Inference and STA 3163L Intermediate Statistics Lab. The graduate courses will serve as electives in the undergraduate program.

<b>Behavioral Neuroscience</b>	
Special Topics in Behavioral Neuroscience	PSB 6930
Principles of Neuroscience	PSB 6037
Seminar in Behavioral Neuroscience	PSB 6058
Methods of Psychobiology	PSB 6118
Neuroscience 1 and 2	PSB 6345, PSB 6346
Seminar in Developmental Psychobiology	PSB 6509
Developmental Neuropsychology	PSB 6516
Seminar in Biopsychology of Language	PSB 6809

<b>Cognition</b>	
Seminar in Cognitive Development	DEP 6067
Seminar in Individual Differences in Children's Thinking	DEP 6932
Seminar in Human Perception	EXP 6208
Seminar in Cognition	EXP 6609
Special Topics in Cognition	EXP 6930
Cognitive Neuroscience	ISC 5465
Biological Vision	PSB 5117
Seminar in Biopsychology of Language	PSB 6809
Special Topics (Cognition)	PSY 5930

<b>Developmental</b>	
Seminar in Cognitive Development	DEP 6067
Seminar in Personality and Social Development	DEP 6098
Parent-Child Relationships	DEP 6609
Evolutionary Developmental Psychology	DEP 6610
Seminar in Development of Social Cognition	DEP 6931
Seminar in Individual Differences in Children's Thinking	DEP 6932
Special Topics in Developmental Psychology	DEP 6930
Seminar in Developmental Psychobiology	PSB 6509
Developmental Neurobiology	PSB 6515
Developmental Neuropsychology	PSB 6516

<b>Social/Personality</b>	
Seminar in Evolutionary Psychology	CBH 6303
Seminar in Personality and Social Development	DEP 6098
Seminar in Self-Concept and Behavior	PPE 6209
Seminar in Experimental Studies of Personality	PPE 6709
Special Topics in Personality/Social Psychology	PPE 6930
Evolution of Human Sexuality	PSY 6840
Advanced Social Behavior	SOP 6079
Seminar in Social Cognition and Behavior	SOP 6440

### ***Funding Opportunities***

Students admitted to the program are eligible for financial support in the form of *Pathways Scholarships* offered through the Graduate College. The scholarship provides \$1,000 in each of the two semesters of the graduate program (i.e., year 5).

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**To:** Marianne Porter  
**Subject:** RE: URGENT: UGPC items by Friday

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Sarah Milton <[smilton@fau.edu](mailto:smilton@fau.edu)>  
**Subject: Re: URGENT: UGPC items by Friday**  
**Date:** February 23, 2022 at 3:34:42 PM EST  
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Greetings all - The Department of Biological Sciences agrees with this BS/MA program that will include Neuroscience and Behavior and a Masters in Psychology. It can only benefit the NSB degree.

Regards,

Dr. Sarah L. Milton  
Professor and Chair  
Department of Biological Sciences  
FAU

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**From:** William Kalies <[WKALIES@fau.edu](mailto:WKALIES@fau.edu)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 23, 2022 3:03 PM  
**To:** David Wolgin <[wolgindl@fau.edu](mailto:wolgindl@fau.edu)>; David Bjorklund <[dbjorklu@fau.edu](mailto:dbjorklu@fau.edu)>  
**Cc:** Marianne Porter <[mporte26@fau.edu](mailto:mporte26@fau.edu)>; Sarah Milton <[smilton@fau.edu](mailto:smilton@fau.edu)>  
**Subject:** URGENT: UGPC items by Friday

Hello David (W)

As David (B) will also relay, the UGPC approved the two combined degree programs conditionally as long as the following items are completed by Friday.

- Modification of the proposal document to produce **two documents** of the **exact catalog language** by (1) just stating the title of the combined program at the top without "Addendum: Proposal for" etc. – one for each of the two programs separately, (2) insert the word "elective" somewhere to make clear that the graduate courses will count for elective courses in the undergraduate part of the program
- An email from Sarah Milton that the Biological Sciences department agrees with the combined program from the BS in Neuroscience and Behavior to MA in Psychology since the BS program is jointly administered by Biology and Psychology departments.

Please send this to me before the close of business on Friday and I will forward to UGPC.

Thanks,  
Bill

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