SOFIA UNIVERSITY “ST. KLIMENT OHRIDSKI”

Faculty of Philosophy

CURRICULUM

Signed by:	Approved by the Academic Council, Record of Proceedings № ..... / .....

Professional Field: 3.2 Psychology
Educational and Qualification Degree: Master of Arts

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Subject Area: Psychology
Master's Programme: General psychology in English

Form of Study: Part time

Length of Study: Three semesters

Professional Qualification: MA in General Psychology

Qualification description
Subject area: Psychology
Master's Programme: General Psychology in English

1. **Focus, educational objectives**

Psychology provides a broad, liberal arts background. The graduates of the MA program in General Psychology at the University of Sofia have a blend of interpersonal, verbal, and quantitative skills. They share a scientific curiosity about the reasons people behave in the way they do and have the thorough background in psychological theory and methodology which enables them to observe and do research into human thought, behavior and motivation.

2. **Education (knowledge and skills necessary for successful professional activity; general theoretical and specific training, etc.)**

The graduates of the MA program in General Psychology have a host of marketable skills which make them ideal candidates for various positions:

Ability to identify, interpret, understand and communicate to others key social, ethical and personal issues relevant to individuals, groups and society
Interpersonal communication skills
Thorough understanding of professional ethics and standards
Knowledge of human development and behavior
Problem solving
Ability to observe, analyze, and interpret information
Ability to compile and organize facts and data and to comprehend and apply new and/or unfamiliar information to different situations and settings
Critical thinking
Insight to work effectively with people
The ability to set priorities, meet deadlines and effectively manage time, data and resources
The ability to gather relevant information, anticipate needs and make appropriate recommendations
An understanding of how to successfully identify, plan and contribute to the goals of a project
Understanding of human nature
Skills in organizing and leading groups and the ability to facilitate change and understanding
Skills to assess events and beliefs and develop responses/strategies to manage situations

3.Professional competency

The graduates of the MA program in General Psychology at the University of Sofia are well-equipped to work in a variety of research and applied settings in areas related to psychology since a master's degree in psychology, with experience in understanding and conducting psychological research, is valued in many different employment settings.

4.Possible Careers

The graduates of the MA program in General Psychology can enter a wide variety of careers in education, human services, medicine, social work, various state agencies, law enforcement, science writing, sales, insurance, human relations, public relations, marketing, social research, advertising, management, arbitration, lobbying, recreation, and business in general. The students have gained the psychological knowledge that fills the gaps in their basic training and will be prepared for advanced graduate studies (Ph.D.). With the necessary additional graduate training the graduates of the MA program in General Psychology can prepare themselves for work in the field of counseling professions.

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Psychology / Master´s in General Psychology in English

Starting from 2023/2024 academic year

№	Course Code				Course Title	Type - C, E, O	Term	ECTS credits	Academic Hours				Classes per Week	Examination* - E, CA, M, A
									Total	Lectures	Seminars	Practical classes/Practice		
1	*2*				*3*	*4*	*5*	*6*	*7*	*8*	*9*	*10*	*11*	*12*
Compulsory Courses														
1	Z	0	0	1	Inferential Statistics	C	1	6	180	15	15	0	1/1/0	CA
2	Z	0	0	2	Physiological Basis of Behavior	C	1	6	180	15	15	0	1/0/0	CA
3	Z	0	0	3	Cognitive Psychology	C	1	6	180	15	15	0	1/1/0	CA
4	Z	0	0	5	Lifespan Development	C	1	6	180	15	15	0	1/1/0	CA
5	Z	0	1	3	Abnormal Psychology	C	1	6	180	15	15	0	1/1/0	CA
6	Z	0	1	4	Social Cognition	C	2	6	180	15	15	0	1/1/0	CA
7	Z	0	1	6	Consumer Behavior	C	2	6	180	15	15	0	1/1/0	CA
8	Z	0	1	7	Child Development	C	2	6	180	15	15	0	1/1/0	CA
9	Z	0	1	8	Personality Psychology	C	2	6	180	15	15	0	1/1/0	CA
10	Z	0	1	9	Crisis Management	C	2	6	180	15	15	0	1/1/0	CA
Elective courses: At least 5 electives - 15 ECTS credits in the 3rd semester														
1	I	3	0	0	Theories of Psychotherapy and Counseling	E	3	3	90	8	7	0	1/0/0	CA
2	I	3	0	1	Communication Skills	E	3	3	90	8	7	0	1/0/0	CA
3	I	3	0	2	Infection, Immunity, Genetics–Links to Psychology	E	3	3	90	8	7	0	1/0/0	CA
4	I	3	0	3	Personality Disorders	E	3	3	90	8	7	0	1/0/0	CA
5	I	3	0	4	Cross-cultural Psychology	E	3	3	90	8	7	0	1/0/0	CA
6	I	3	0	5	Psychology of Adolescence	E	3	3	90	8	7	0	1/0/0	CA
7	I	3	0	6	Sleep and Health	E	3	3	90	8	7	0	1/0/0	CA
8	I	3	0	7	Gender Roles	E	3	3	90	8	7	0	1/0/0	CA
9	I	3	0	8	Qualitative methods in psychology	И	3	3	90	8	7	0	1/0/0	CA
10	I	3	0	9	Intimate Relationships	E	3	3	90	8	7	0	1/0/0	CA
11	I	3	1	3	History of Psychology	E	3	3	90	8	7	0	1/0/0	CA

Degree Completion

Graduation	ECTS Credits	First State Exam Session	Second State Exam Session
State Exam	15	March	July

The curriculum has been approved by the Faculty Council, Record of Proceedings № 8/07.03.2023

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Curriculum Reference Statement

Psychology / Master´s in General Psychology in English

Part-time; Three semesters

Course Load, ECTS - credits and course completion per semester

Type	I семестър			II			III			IV			V			VI			VII			VIII			IX			X			Total		
	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS – credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS – credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS – credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS – credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS – credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS – credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS – credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS – credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS – credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS – credits	number of grades	Course Load - number of classes	ECTS – credits	number of grades
Compulsory courses	**150**	**30**	**6**	**150**	**30**	**5**	**30**	**0**	**0**																					**330**	**60**	**11**
Min. of elective courses	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**60**	**15**	**5**																					**60**	**15**	**5**
Study internships																																
Общо:	**150**	**30**	**6**	**150**	**30**	**5**	**90**	**15**	**5**																					**390**	**75**	**16**

Graduation	ECTS Credits	number of hours for preparation	First State Exam Session	Second State Exam Session
State Exam	15	450	March	July

Qualification Gained: **Master in General Psychology**

№ of The Faculty Council Resolution: 8/07.03.2023

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