So you want to do a Nonclinical Internship in Psychology?

1. What is the Nonclinical Internship course?

Nonclinical Internship

*New course in Psychology Department for Fall 2016*

The nonclinical internship course is a 700 level class and provides students studying in areas such as Experimental, Human Factors & Engineering Psychology, Industrial/Organizational Psychology and Sports & Performance Psychology an opportunity to gain experiential educational credits. This course fulfills the capstone requirement. The course can be taken for four to eight credits depending on the number of hours a student works at an internship site and also includes a weekly three-hour seminar. The seminar focuses on tying the internship experience into the academic curriculum as well as clarify and promoting career development.

The nonclinical internship builds upon the knowledge from psychology 402, 502 and 700 level classes in the area of specialty. This class may be taken to fulfill Group I or Group II requirements dependent upon the 700 level pre/co-requisite. Pre/co-requisites for the areas of focus of this course include:

**Experimental:**
- 710 – Visual Perception (Group I)
- 712 – Psychology of Language (Group I)
- 720 – Animal Cognition (Group I)
- 741- Behavioral Neuroscience (Group I)
- 741- Cognitive Neuroscience (Group I)

**Human Factors & Engineering Psychology:**
- 710 – Visual Perception (Group I)
- 712 – Psychology of Language (Group I)
- 741 – Cognitive Neuroscience (Group I)

**Industrial/Organizational Psychology:**
- 705 – Tests and Measurement (Either Group I or Group II)
- 791 – Psychology and Race (Group II)
- 791 – Psychology for Sustainability (Group II)
- 791 – Close Relationships (Groups II)
- 791 – Culture and Human Development (Group II)

**Sports and Performance Psychology:**
- 705 – Test and Measurement (Either Group I or Group II)
- 733 – Drugs and Behavior (Group I)
- 735 – Neurobiology of Mood Disorders (Group I)
- 737 – Behavioral Medicine (Group I)
2. **What are those four areas of focus for the nonclinical internship?**

   **Experimental Psychology** – This area uses scientific methods to explore behavior in humans and animals. Find more information at http://www.apa.org/action/science/experimental/education-training.aspx

   **Human Factors & Engineering Psychology** – This area focuses on improving and adapting technology, equipment and work environments to complement human behavior and capabilities. Find more information at http://www.apa.org/action/science/human-factors/education-training.aspx

   **Industrial & Organizational Psychology** – This area focuses on behavior in the workplace and applying psychological principles and research methods to improve overall work environments, including performance, communication, satisfaction and safety. Find more information at http://www.apa.org/action/science/organizational/education-training.aspx

   **Sport & Performance Psychology** – This area involves helping athletes, performers and others to reach goals and cope with anxiety that can interfere with performance. Find more information at http://www.apa.org/action/science/performance/education-training.aspx

More resources for non-academic careers in psychology.  

3. **What do I need to do to take the Nonclinical Internship course?**

Unlike most other college courses you cannot simply register for this course. You must first complete the steps below and then we will register you for this course. You cannot register for this course independently.

   **Step 1:** Meet briefly with Dr. Glutting (McConnell 420) to review which of the four focus areas you are interested and to ensure that you have completed or will complete the appropriate pre-requisite course.

   **Step 2:** Meet with Career Center staff to generate a list of four potential internship sites. Specifically, you can set up meetings with either Raina Sarvaiya or Amanda Temple at Career Services. http://www.unh.edu/uacc/career/schedule-appointment

   **Step 3:** Contact the potential internship sites and set up interviews for internship. Remember to bring your resume to these interviews.

   **Step 4:** Sites will contact you to offer you an internship and you accept!

   **Step 5:** Complete a learning agreement, signed by your internship site supervisor, and a risk and consent form. Have the site supervisor complete the new site approval form and
attach a copy of the supervisor's resume. Complete the Nonclinical internship course sheet, which is available from Robin Scholefield in the psychology department office. (Please refer to the nonclinical internship manual for direction on learning agreements and copies of new site approval forms.)

**Step 6:** Bring two copies of your learning agreement, the risk and consent form, the new site approval form with attached supervisor resume and the nonclinical internship course sheet to Robin Scholefield in room 468a McConnell Hall. She will then register you for this course.
**Nonclinical Internship Course Worksheet**

Student Name: ___________________________  Student Contact Info.:_________________________
Semester and Year: ______________________

**Circle the area of focus and pre/co-requisite you will be using.**

**Experimental:**
- 720 – Animal Cognition (Group I)
- 741 - Advanced topics in Behavioral Neuroscience (Group I)
- 741 - Cognitive Neuroscience (Group I)

**Human Factors & Engineering Psychology:**
- 710 – Visual Perception (Group I)
- 712 – Psychology of Language (Group I)
- 741 – Cognitive Neuroscience (Group I)

**Industrial/Organizational Psychology:**
- 705 – Tests and Measurement (Either Group I or Group II)
- 791 – Psychology and Race (Group II)
- 791 – Psychology for Sustainability (Group II)
- 791 – Close Relationships (Groups II)
- 791 – Culture and Human Development (Group II)

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The Nonclinical Internship will be taken as a Group ________.

Faculty Signature: ___________________________  Date:_______________________