

Degree Requirements, Neuroscience

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Master of Science in Neuroscience

The master's degree program is only granted under special circumstances. The student must have approval of the graduate advisor and director.

Doctor of Philosophy

The Doctor of Philosophy in Neuroscience requires a minimum of 81 credit hours of coursework. Students must complete a core curriculum that includes Neuroscience 382T, *Principles of Neuroscience I*; Neuroscience 383T, *Principles of Neuroscience II*; a statistics course; an ethics course; a grant writing course; three graduate elective courses in neuroscience; and a graduate seminar in neuroscience. At the beginning of the second year, students take a qualifying exam that involves writing a literature review on a gap in knowledge within a relevant topic and defending it before an examining committee. This committee is composed of faculty members from the program who are experts in the pertinent scientific fields. All eligible students must submit a predoctoral fellowship application by the end of their third year of study, and all students must serve as a teaching assistant for at least one undergraduate or graduate course.