

Information Sheet
FIELD WORK IN PSYCHOLOGY
Psychology 192
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What is PSC 192?

PSC 192 is an opportunity to get practical experience in the field of psychology. For every one unit registered, you will need to complete 30 hours of internship work during the quarter. In addition, there is a weekly journal and paper requirement, to keep you thinking about a psychological perspective on the work you are doing.

How do I sign up for PSC 192?

Step 1: Complete the application attached to this sheet.

Step 2: Find an internship that is directly related to the field of psychology. The Undergraduate Advising office has a list of internships possibilities to help you in this search. The Internship and Career Center (www.icc.ucdavis.edu) is also a helpful resource.

Step 3: E-mail Dr. Shaver (prshaver@ucdavis.edu) to find out if your internship is likely to be approved, to get a copy of the syllabus, and to set up a meeting time with him. Dr. Shaver typically responds to emails within 24 hours during the week. Also, during the first 10 days of class, he holds regularly scheduled office hours. If today is before the 10th day of class, ask someone in Undergraduate Advising office (141 Young) when those hours are for this quarter.

Step 4: Have your internship supervisor sign the application form.

Step 5: Meet with Dr. Shaver to get official approval for the internship.

Step 6: Bring the approved application with Dr. Shaver's signature to the Undergraduate Advising office to get a CRN.

Step 7: *Complete all paperwork by the 10th day of instruction.*

- If this poses a problem for you meet with Dr. Shaver before or during the first week of the quarter to discuss a possible extension.

What are the requirements for PSC 192?

1. Number of hours worked: For each unit of PSC 192, you must complete 30 hours of supervised internship work. See the table on the back of this page.

2. Weekly Journal: Each week, you will submit a journal to the internship coordinator, Dr. Shaver (prshaver@ucdavis.edu). In this journal, you will link your weekly experience to some aspect of psychological theory or research. This might require a small amount of research, and, ideally, these journals will help you come up with a topic for your final paper.

3. Term Paper: The length of the paper depends on the number of PSC 192 units for which you register (see the table on the back of this page). The paper will incorporate your experience in the internship with a topic in psychological theory or research. See the syllabus for more information.

**** The paper is due the first day of exam week. No exceptions.****

Other Information about PSC 192

- Psychology 192 offers 1 to 6 units of pass/no pass credit to upper division students who are involved in fieldwork in psychology. Psychology 192 may be repeated once for credit. No more than twelve 192 units are allowed; this includes 192 units taken in other departments. (see the table below)
- Only the first four Psychology 192 units count toward the upper division units required for the Psychology major. The remainder counts only as part of the upper division units required for graduation.
- Psychology 192 units must have upper division standing and we recommend a minimum of five upper division psychology courses (this includes courses taken concurrently with Psychology 192). The point is that you need a strong enough background to tackle the term paper.
- More information about the term paper: This paper must relate experiences in the internship setting to material covered in Psychology or closely related courses (such as Human Development, Community Development, Education, Animal Behavior, Communication, Anthropology, or Sociology). The integration should be explicit: describe actual theories, studies, or results, and cite actual references. You should also supplement your coursework with some library research, since only rarely do specific courses provide you with enough depth to write a good paper. More guidelines and ideas are outlined on the syllabus and Dr. Shaver is available throughout the quarter for guidance and feedback.
- Reminder: The number of units for which you register determines how many hours you work and how long the research paper will be. See the Table below.

<u>Units</u>	<u>Time Commitment (average is over 9 or 10 wks)</u>	<u>Term Paper Length</u>
1	30 hours total (average 3-5 hrs. per week)	06 Pages
2	60 hours total (average 6-8 hrs. per week)	08 Pages
3	90 hours total (average 9-11 hrs. per week)	10 Pages
4	120 hours total (average 12-14 hrs. per week)	12 Pages
5	150 hours total (average 15-17 hrs. per week)	14 Pages
6	180 hours total (average 18 + hrs. per wk)	16 Pages

FIELD WORK IN PSYCHOLOGY ENROLLMENT APPLICATION

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F200 :__ W200 :__ S200 :__

Your Name: _____

Your Address: _____

Your E-Mail: _____ Your Telephone _____

1. Number of PSC 192 units requested: 1:___ 2:___ 3:___ 4:___ 5:___ 6:___

2. Number of 192 units already completed in Psychology: ___ in other departments _____
Total _____

3. Will you be taking other 192 units concurrently? Yes:___ No:___

if "Yes":

Number of Units:___ Department: _____

4. Class Standing: Junior:___ Senior: _____

5. Your Major: _____

6. Your Minor: _____

7. Internship:

Place: _____

Address: _____

Immediate Supervisor: _____

Supervisor's Telephone Number: _____

Supervisor's E-Mail: _____

Date Internship Begins: _____ Date Ends: _____

Total Number of Hours Commitment _____

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8. Describe your internship responsibilities and duties. (Continue on another sheet if necessary.)

9. Describe your learning objectives for this internship and relate these objectives to your academic and career goals. (Continue on another sheet if necessary.)

10. List your coursework from psychology (and other fields such as anthropology, communication, sociology, women's studies, etc.) that are pertinent to this internship. (Continue on another if necessary.)

Student Signature _____

On-Site Supervisor's Signature _____

Instructor's Signature _____

Psychology Department Approval _____