Cognitive Science PhD Program Requirements

Sample Course Plan

Note: Students must enroll in at least 12 units each quarter for full-time status and university funding eligibility.

YEAR	FALL	Units	WINTER	Units	SPRING	Units
1	COGS 201 or 202 or 203		COGS 201 or 202 or 203		COGS 201 or 202 or 203	
	Foundations	4	Foundations	4	Foundations	4
	COGS 290 Lab Rotation	2	COGS 290 Lab Rotation	2	COGS 290 Lab Rotation	2
	COGS 260 Bootcamp	2	COGS 500 Teaching Apprentice	4	COGS 200 or Methods	4
	Elective	4	COGS 200 or Methods	4	COGS 500 Teaching Apprentice	4
2	COGS 210A Intro to Research*	4	COGS 210B Intro to Research	4	COGS 210C Intro to Research	4
	COGS 211A Research		COGS 211B Research		COGS 211C Research	
	Methods/2nd Yr Seminar	2	Methods/2nd Yr Seminar	2	Methods/2nd Yr Seminar**	2
	COGS 290 Lab Rotation	2	COGS 500	4	Elective	4
	COGS 500	4	Elective or Methods	4	COGS 200 or Elective	4
3			COGS 205 Intro to Thesis		COGS 205 Intro to Thesis	
	COGS 200 or Elective	4	Research	4	Research***	4
	COGS 500	4	COGS 200 or Elective	4	COGS 298	Var
	COGS 298	Var	COGS 500	4		
			COGS 298	Var		
4	COGS 298 (pre-advancement) or COGS 299 (advanced) COGS 500	Var 4	COGS 298 (pre-advancement) or COGS 299 (advanced) COGS 500	Var 4	COGS 298 (pre-advancement) or COGS 299 (advanced)	Var
5 and Beyond	COGS 299	Var	COGS 299	Var	COGS 299	Var
5 and beyond	COGS 500	4	COGS 500	4	COGS 500	4

^{*}the 210ABC course with faculty mentor is taken alongside the COGS 211ABC series for the 2nd Year Research Project/Talk Requirement.

^{**}the 2nd Year Research Project is presented at the end of the Spring quarter.

^{***}the 3rd Year Talks are presented at the end of the Spring quarter.