

PSYCHOLOGY OF LEADERSHIP

Degree Requirements

Master of Professional Studies (M.P.S.)

Requirements listed here are in addition to Graduate Council policies listed under GCAC-700 Professional Degree Policies (<https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/>).

Total required credits for the MPS: 33 credits at the 400, 500, or 800 level; at least 27 must be at the 500 or 800 level, with at least 6 at the 500 level. Students must complete 9 credits of required courses and a 3-credit capstone course that serves as the culminating experience. Students choose the remaining 21 credits from a list of approved electives maintained by the program office.

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
PSY 532	Psychological Foundations of Leadership	3
PSY 539	Foundations of Behavior, Motivation, and Attitudes at Work	3
PSY 833	Ethics and Leadership: Psychological and Social Processes	3
Electives		
Select 21 credits from list of approved electives maintained by the program office.		21
Culminating Experience		
PSY 894	Capstone Experience (Scholarly Paper)	3
Total Credits		33

The culminating experience provides students with an opportunity to apply their knowledge of the psychological theories and principles concerning leadership to an applied research project. The choice of research project topic will be mutually determined by the instructor and each student. A written paper based on the applied project is required and must contain project description, analysis, and interpretation of its findings, as well as a review of relevant published literature.