## Degree Program Assessment Plan

### Degree Program - AS - Psychology - General Experimental Psychology (MA)

**Disciplinary Accrediting Body:** TX HECB & SACS (also HFES for the MA re human factors, experimental psychology)

**CIP Code:** 42.2704.00

**Next Program Review:** 16-17

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**Program Purpose Statement:** The MA in experimental psychology curriculum is designed to provide a core of knowledge of the subject matter in experimental, theoretical, and applied psychology. Sufficient curricular flexibility is provided to permit students to emphasize the acquisition of useful vocational and personal skills for later life and to prepare students for a graduate degree program in psychology, related fields, or both. Please also see our purpose statement for the PhD Programs in Experimental Psychology.

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### Student Learning Outcome: Conduct Research

Upon completion of the degree, students will be able to conduct psychological research.

**Outcome Status:** Active

**Outcome Type:** Student Learning

**Start Date:** 06/15/2015

**End Date:** 06/15/2016

### Assessment Methods

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**Student Learning Outcome: Communicate Research**

Upon completion of the degree, students will be able to describe their psychological research in oral and written formats.

- **Outcome Status**: Active
- **Outcome Type**: Student Learning
- **Start Date**: 06/15/2015
- **End Date**: 06/15/2016

**Assessment Methods**

- **Thesis** - The percentage of students who complete the oral requirement for the MA (either from the Second-Year Project or MA Thesis) (Active)
  - **Criterion**: 75%
  - **Schedule**: Once per year.
  - **Related Documents**:
    - [Rubric note](#)

- **Thesis** - The percentage of students who complete the written requirement for the MA (from either Second-Year Project or MA Thesis) (Active)
  - **Criterion**: 75%
  - **Schedule**: Once per year.
  - **Related Documents**:
    - [Rubric note](#)

- **Performance** - The percentage of students who present research at professional conferences. (Active)
  - **Criterion**: 50%
  - **Schedule**: Once per year.

**Student Learning Outcome: Research Ethics**

Upon completion of the degree, students will be able to demonstrate knowledge of psychological research ethics.

- **Outcome Status**: Active
- **Outcome Type**: Student Learning
- **Start Date**: 06/15/2015
- **End Date**: 06/15/2016

**Assessment Methods**

- **Professional Development Activities** - The percentage of students who complete an approved research ethics training program. (Active)
  - **Criterion**: 100%
  - **Schedule**: Once per year.
  - **Related Documents**:
    - [Program list note](#)
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