

SMSU College Now Instructor Qualifications for Psychology:

Demonstration of relevant and advanced content-area knowledge:

Instructors may meet the minimum requirement for advanced content-area knowledge through any one of the following three methods:

____ 1. A graduate degree in Psychology

OR

____ 2. A graduate degree in any field and 18 graduate credit hours in Psychology

OR

____ 3. A graduate degree in any field plus twelve graduate credit hours in Psychology along with significant prior experience as detailed below:

Instructors may be approved for up to 6 graduate credits toward the required 18 credits based on prior experience. The following items should be detailed in a submitted portfolio that includes a written explanation of how these experiences relate directly to the ability to teach a college level General Psychology course. The Psychology Program will allocate credit based on evidence of substantial teaching experience, advanced coursework appropriate to the discipline, and/or other relevant experience and expertise.

- ____ a. Graduate-level course(s) in a field directly related to psychology (e.g. sociology, social work, neuroscience)
- ____ b. Relevant psychological research and/or teaching related presentations at state, regional, or national workshops or conferences, such as Midwestern Psychological Association or American Psychological Association.
- ____ c. Published textbooks, journal articles or essays, or similar scholarly or creative work in the field of psychology.
- ____ d. Three or more years of successful and effective teaching experience in a course leading to undergraduate credit in psychology including dual credit, International Baccalaureate, or teaching undergraduates on a college/university campus.
- ____ e. Fellowships or awards from school, district, state, regional, national or international organizations for recognition of high school or undergraduate teaching in psychology.
- ____ f. Relevant work experience in the field of psychology (e.g. school counselor, research analyst, consultant, etc.). Please provide written explanation highlighting the relevance of this experience as it relates directly to the ability to teach a college level psychology course.
- ____ g. Professional licensure in psychology and related fields (e.g. LPC, LMFT)
- ____ h. Certifications in higher education teaching (e.g. Quality Matters Certificate, AAC&U)

Please provide a short explanation (on a separate sheet of paper) of how you have achieved each of the options indicated above.

Completed by:

[HS Instructor]

Date

Reviewed by:

[SMSU Director of Concurrent Enrollment]

Date

Additional Comments:

Reveiwed by:

[SMSU Department Chair]

Date

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