

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences

PSYC 90: Independent Research Checklist for Neuroscience Majors

Complete this checklist in order to obtain Instructor Permission to enroll in PSYC 90. It is intended to help you plan for the course after conferring with your advisor.

Print Student Name

Student ID

Date Submitted

Indicate term(s) in which you would like to enroll in PSYC 90 (e.g. Fall 2026, Winter 2027)

- I have taken PSYC 6 as a prerequisite
- I have taken PSYC 10 or BIOL 29 as a prerequisite
- I have taken at least two of the four core courses required for the Neuroscience Major. The core course requirements are: PSYC 28 or PSYC 38; PSYC 37; PSYC 35 or BIOL 12 and 13; and PSYC 36.
- I am taking no more than three terms of PSYC 70/PSYC 90/PSYC 91/PSYC 93, and understand that only two terms can count towards my major requirements.
- I have attached a description (typically a one-paragraph abstract) of the research topic.
- I understand that I am required to submit a final deliverable at the end of my research term which should be submitted to my advisor, to the Chair of the Neuroscience Committee, and to Nikki Boyle (Nikki.Boyle@dartmouth.edu), by 5pm on the last day of classes. (Check one box below.)
 - Final paper (8-10 pages, double spaced) that summarizes my project and experience at the end of my research term. If PSYC 90 constitutes your culminating experience, you must select this option.
 - Short final paper (2-3 pages, double spaced) that summarizes my project and experience plus an alternative deliverable specified in the attached description of research topic (e.g. poster presented at a conference, software package, etc.). This option requires approval by the Neuroscience Committee at the time of PSYC 90 enrollment.
- I have an advisor who will supervise my Independent Research

Print Name of Advisor

Signature of Advisor

- If your advisor is NOT a tenured/tenure-track faculty member in the Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences (PBS) or you are completing a final deliverable in a format other than a final paper, the Chair of the Neuroscience Committee must sign below.

Chair of the Neuroscience Committee

Submit completed checklist and research topic description **by email** to the Psychological and Brain Sciences Department, psychological.and.brain.sciences@dartmouth.edu.

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