



INTENT TO EARN DISTINCTION IN THE MAJOR

As defined by the College of Letters and Science, Distinction in the Major is a type of scholastic award granted at graduation upon recommendation of their major department, to any student not earning Honors in the Major. This scholastic award is noted on a recipient's transcript.

Within the Department of Psychology, a student must complete the following requirements to earn Distinction in the Major:

- 1) Complete the Intent to Earn Distinction in the Major Form
 - 2) Successfully complete all Psychology major course requirements
 - 3) Earn a cumulative GPA **WITHIN** the Psychology major coursework of 3.7 or higher. This includes Psychology courses and required coursework taken outside of the department (e.g. Zoo 101 and 102, Zoo 151, Stat 371, etc.)
 - 4) Select ONE of the following options:
 - A) Complete any three Psychology breadth/depth courses for automatic Honors, with a grade of B or better in each course. (see Psych major checklist for full list of offerings)
 - B) Complete an undergraduate thesis (Psych 691 and 692) with a grade of "B" or better
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By signing this Intent to Earn Distinction in the Major Form I understand the following:

- 1) I will only earn Distinction in the Major if I complete the above requirements.
- 2) If I am not currently in an Honors program, I will need to receive consent of the instructor to enroll in any Psychology breadth/depth courses for Honors. I am not guaranteed enrollment into any course.
- 3) In order to declare my intent to complete Distinction in the Major I must have at least a 3.5 GPA within the Psychology major coursework, and to earn Distinction I must have at least a 3.7 GPA in major coursework when I graduate.

Name: _____

Today's Date: _____

Student ID # _____

wisc.edu e-mail: _____

Intended Graduation Date: _____ Current Psych GPA: _____ Current Cumulative GPA: _____

Student Signature/Date

Distinction Coordinator Signature/Date

Send this completed form to the Distinction in the Major Coordinator at: honors@psych.wisc.edu

Questions regarding distinction in the major?

Contact the Department of Psychology Honors & Distinction Coordinator at honors@psych.wisc.edu.