

**Application for Combined B.A./M.S. or B.S./M.S. Program in Psychology  
Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences**

**Villanova University**

**Instructions:**

1. **Required components of your application:**
   1. Completed application form (sections 1 through 6).
      * Be sure to sign your completed application.
   2. Two letters of recommendation from individuals who can accurately comment on your potential for success in the combined program. (Recommendation form can be found [here](https://www1.villanova.edu/villanova/artsci/psychology/AcademicPrograms/UndergraduatePrograms/5year.html).)
      * Provide the recommendation form (with the top portion completed by you) to your recommender and ask him/her to return the form and letter directly to the department office via email, postal mail, or fax.
   3. The GRE exam is not required, but your SAT or ACT scores will be reviewed by the admissions committee.
   4. Official transcript from Villanova.
2. **Application submission — due March 15 (even if the date falls on a weekend):**
   1. Rename this application file with your first and last name (e.g., JaneSmith.docx) and email it to Mrs. Louise Carbone at [louise.carbone@villanova.edu](mailto:louise.carbone@villanova.edu)
   2. Your recommenders should submit their recommendation forms and letters directly to Mrs. Carbone.
   3. Your transcript should be submitted to the department office (address below).

**Questions?**

* Questions about the program curriculum and its suitability for your goals should be directed to Dr. Irene Kan, Director of the Graduate Program in Psychology, at [irene.kan@villanova.edu](mailto:irene.kan@villanova.edu)
* Questions about the mechanics of applying to the program should be sent to Mrs. Louise Carbone, administrative assistant, at [louise.carbone@villanova.edu](mailto:louise.carbone@villanova.edu)
* Admission decisions are typically made by mid-April

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**Section 1: Personal Information**

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| Name: |  |
| VU ID number: |  |
| Villanova email address: |  |
| Phone number: |  |
| Permanent mailing address: |  |

**Section 2: Education**

**Are you a Psychology major with Junior status?**  Yes  No

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| Expected graduation date: |  |
| Cumulative GPA: |  |
| Psychology GPA: |  |

**Please indicate your progress towards completing the following courses:**

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| Statistics (PSY 2000) | Completed  In Progress  Not Taken |
| Research Methods (PSY 2050) | Completed  In Progress  Not Taken |
| Seminar in Professional Development (PSY 2100) | Completed  In Progress  Not Taken |
| Biopsychology (PSY 4200) | Completed  In Progress  Not Taken |
| Cognitive Psychology (PSY 4500) | Completed  In Progress  Not Taken |

**Please list all colleges or universities you have attended (including Villanova):**

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| **Name of institution** | **Location** | **Dates of attendance** |
| Villanova University | Villanova, PA |  |
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**List your top 5 academic/professional honors and awards below:**

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| **Award/Honor** | **Organization** | **Date of award** |
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**Section 3: Standardized Test**

**Complete the relevant sections below:**

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| **SAT section** | **Score** | **ACT section** | **Score** |
| SAT - Reading & Writing |  | ACT - ELA |  |
| SAT - Math |  | ACT - STEM |  |
| SAT - Total |  | ACT - Composite |  |
| SAT - Essay |  | ACT - Writing |  |

**Section 4: Professional Experience**

**If applicable, list your three most recent place(s) of employment below:**

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| **Employer** | **Location** | **Job title** | **Dates of employment** |
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**If applicable, please summarize your research experience below (*excluding* classroom experience):**

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| **Research mentor & affiliation** | **Your responsibilities (e.g., recruitment, data collection, data analysis, etc.)** | **Dates** |
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**Section 5: Letters of Recommendation**

**Provide your recommenders’ contact information below:**

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| **Name & affiliation** | **Recommender’s email address** |
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**Section 6: Statement of Goals (2 pages maximum)**

Please describe your immediate and long-term career goals, reasons for pursuing a Master’s degree in Psychology, and your general research interests. It will also be helpful for the admissions committee to hear about any training and experience that have contributed to your preparedness for graduate education. Finally, if you wish to explain impediments and barriers that might have impacted your academic performance, include a brief paragraph at the end of your statement to describe those factors, such as family care responsibilities, illnesses, or disabilities. In sum, your statement will help us determine the fit between your interests and our program and also between our program’s strengths and your eventual goals.

**Please enter (or paste) your statement below and keep the length to a maximum of 2 pages.**

***I affirm that all of the information supplied with this application is correct.***

Applicant Signature:

*(If you wish, you may paste your signature above as an image file)*

Date:

Please submit your completed application form to Mrs. Louise Carbone at: [louise.carbone@villanova.edu](mailto:louise.carbone@villanova.edu)

**Application deadline is March 15th.**