

Candidacy and G901

What is Candidacy and when/how do I get there?

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Admission to Candidacy is a formal University process. It signifies the faculty's recognition that the student has completed certain degree requirements and is likely to complete all other degree requirements. Admission to Candidacy is required before you can form your Research Committee. Your Research Committee must be formed at least 6 months before you hold your official dissertation defense.

How do I reach Admission to Candidacy?

You are eligible for candidacy if you meet the requirements below. If you meet these requirements, send Patricia an email and she will prepare the paperwork for you.

Candidacy Eligibility

- I am in good standing with the department and have a GPA of 3.3 or above.
- I have completed the courses for my major (12-22 credit hours). If I am a double major, I have also completed all of the requirements for my second major.
- If I am a single major, I have completed all of the courses for my minor (internal minor = 9 credits, external minor = 12 credits.)
- I have completed PSY-P 553 Advanced Statistics 1 and a second statistics or methods course (as approved by my committee) or have been officially waived of the requirement(s).
- I have successfully completed PSY-P 660 The Teaching of Psychology or have been officially waived of the requirement.
- I have successfully taught at least one semester of PSY-P 211 Methods or have been officially waived of the requirement.
- I have completed and submitted by First Project and my Second Project and the projects have been approved by my advisor.
- I passed my Qualifying Examination.

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What is G901?

G901 Advanced Research (offered in our department as PSY-G 901) **provides a student with full-time status at 6 credit hours for a flat fee of \$150 (paid by the student)**. The student is not charged mandatory fees. G901 is offered in the Fall and Spring semesters (it is not available in the summer). G901 enrollment is limited to 6 semesters and a student who enrolls in G901 cannot also enroll in other coursework. G901 was created for students who are writing their dissertations. Because you do not pay the mandatory fees when enrolled in G901, you may be **required to pay fees if you wish to have services such as the SRSC, HPER, and the Health Center**. Please note that if you are appointed as a graduate assistant or if you are on a fellowship, your health insurance is still in place but you will have to pay for Health Center visits. If you are not appointed to an assistantship or fellowship, you may not be covered by insurance and should speak with the department's Human Resources Coordinator for confirmation. More information is available at:

<http://bursar.indiana.edu/home/index.php/tuition-fee-rates/purchase-services/>

When can I take G901?

If you have met all of the requirements listed above for Nomination to Candidacy **and** meet the requirements below, you are eligible for G901 and should enroll by contacting Patricia for a class permission. Please note that if you are beyond your 5th year and hope to be considered for departmental funding **you must be eligible for and enroll in G901** (since G901 is not offered in the summer, summer enrollment and summer support for advanced students will be determined at the discretion of the department.) Funding is never guaranteed beyond your 5th year.

G901 Eligibility

- I have met all of the requirements listed above for the Nomination to Candidacy.
- I have completed 90 graduate-level credit hours.
- I have officially been admitted to candidacy. (The system may allow you to enroll without candidacy but it's safer to follow the candidacy route so that you can file dissertation paperwork in a timely manner.)