Behavioral Neuroscience Graduate Student Summary of Progress and Accomplishments

**Name:**

**Year Started in Program**:

*Note: This is a “living document” that you should update regularly based on your milestones and courses completed. In other words, you won’t need to do this from scratch each year, just add as you go.*

**Part 1. Coursework**

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| **Core Coursework** | **Credits** | **Semester Completed** | **Grade** |
| Introduction to Neuroscience I (NRSC 5100)  Introduction to Neuroscience II (NRSC 5110)  Fundamental Neuroscience Topics I (PSYC 6841)  Fundamental Neuroscience Topics II (PSYC 6841)  Advances in Neuroscience I (NRSC 6100)  Advances in Neuroscience II (NRSC 6100)  Advances in Neuroscience III (NRSC 6100)  Statistics (PSYC 5741 or equivalent; if other, list: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Scientific Writing (MCDB 6400 or equivalent; if other, list: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **CORE CREDITS COMPLETED (19 required)** | 3  3  1  1  2  2  2  3  2  ***Sum*** |  |  |

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| **Elective Coursework** | **Credits** | **Semester Completed** | **Grade** |
| BN Professional Skills Development (NRSC 6602)  *Course title (Course Dept and Number)*  *Course title (Course Dept and Number)*  *Course title (Course Dept and Number)*  *Course title (Course Dept and Number)*  **ELECTIVE CREDITS COMPLETED (11 required)** | 1  *#*  *#*  *#*  *#*  ***Sum*** |  |  |

\*Note: List of current eligible Electives can be found here: <https://www.colorado.edu/behavioral-neuroscience/specialized-elective-coursespdf>

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| **Dissertation Hours (PSYC 8991)** | **Credits** | **Semester Completed** | **Pre or Post-Comps** |
| PSYC 8991  PSYC 8991  PSYC 8991  PSYC 8991  PSYC 8991  **DISSERTATION HOURS COMPLETED (30 required)** | #  #  #  #  #  ***Sum*** |  |  |

\*Notes on Dissertation Hours:

* Minimum 30 total dissertation hours required prior to graduate
* Maximum 10 credits per semester allowed
* Pre-Comps: No more than 10 credits total allowed prior to comps
* Post-Comps: Must be enrolled for at least 5 credits/sem until PhD defense

**Part 2. Program Milestones**

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| **Preliminary Exam (aka First Year Independent Study Rotations)** | **Semester Completed** | **Prelim Exam Form Completed [Y/N]?** |
| Mentors for Semester 1   1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   Mentors for Semester 2   1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |

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| **Comprehensive Exam** | **Semester Completed or plan to defend** | **Document Type (Grant / Manuscript / Review)** |
| Committee Members   1. (mentor) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. (BN) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3. (BN) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4. (PSYC) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 5. (outside) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |

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| **PhD Committee (Post-Comps)** | **Thesis Defense Date Expected (if known)** |
| Committee Members   1. (mentor) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. (BN) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3. (BN) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4. (PSYC) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 5. (outside) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |

**Part 3. Annual Committee Meetings**

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| **Meeting composition**  **(*list committee members present*)** | **Date Completed** | **Meeting report filed [Y/N]?** |
| Year 1:  Year 2:  Year 3:  Year 4:  Year 5: |  |  |

\*Note: Starting Aug 2023, all grad students are required to meet with their committee at least once per year. Starting Aug 2024, a report from the committee should be filed with the program director after the meeting.

**Part 4. Teaching and TA**

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| **Courses Taught** | **Semester** | **Position (TA / Grader / Instr)** | **%Effort FTE (if known)** |
| *Course title (Course Dept and Number)*  *Course title (Course Dept and Number)*  *Course title (Course Dept and Number)*  *Course title (Course Dept and Number)* |  |  |  |

\*Note: All grad students are require to TA two semesters prior to graduation

**Part 5. Scientific Communication**

**Attendance at Scientific Meetings**

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| **Meeting Name and Location** | **Date** | **Poster or Talk** |
| *e.g., Society for Neuroscience, San Diego CA* | *11/2024* | *Poster* |

Please list the citations for posters/works presented:

*e.g., Student GS, Grad UN, Mentor PI (2024). Allosteric modulation of dopamine D1R subunit on cocaine self-administration and extinction. Society for Neuroscience, San Diego CA.*

**Other Presentations (do not include Skills Development)**

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| **Presentation Location / Event** | **Date** | **Poster or Talk** |
| *e.g., Presentation of work at MCDB Brown Bag* | *10/2024* | *Talk* |

**Part 6. Publications, Grants and Awards**

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| **Manuscripts**  **(note if accepted/published, submitted or in process)** | **Status** |
| *e.g., Student GS, Technician PRA, Mentor PI (2025). Effects of optogenetics on the brain. JNeurosci* | *Under review* |

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| **Grants** | **Date** | **Funded?** |
| *e.g., NRSA F31 (first submission)* | *11/2024* | *Score: 23 (not funded)* |

Please list the title(s) of submitted grant proposal(s):

*e.g., The role of the alpha-2 subunit in mediating pain and reward in juvenile rats. NIDA.*

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| **Awards and Recognition** | **Date** |
| *e.g., Travel Award, Society for Chronobiology* | *10/2024* |

**Part 7. Service**

While service to the department and community are not required for graduation, we recognize as a program that many students choose to do so, and feel that these efforts should be recognized. These may include: departmental or campus committees served on; journal clubs coordinated, etc

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| **Service Activity** | **Date or Date Range** |
| *e.g., Departmental DEI Committee member* | *8/22-present* |

**Starting in 2024, scientific progress will be assessed separately by your committee. To support this, ensure that you and your committee fill out the Annual BN Committee Report (found on the BN Program Requirements page) after each meeting. These reports should include a student-written summary of their major research accomplishments in the past year, along with a committee evaluation of planned progress for the next year. Reports should be sent to the BN Program Director to be included with the student’s SOA reports annually.**