

## **Research Experience Program (REP)**

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From The Office of Research and Graduate Studies:

“The Research Experience Program (REP) is one of three undergraduate certificate programs at KU aimed at providing official recognition of an identified experience on a student’s academic transcript. The other two are the Global Awareness Program <http://www.international.ku.edu/gap/> and the in Service Learning Program <http://www.servicelearning.ku.edu/certification.shtml>. REP provides KU students with a unique learning opportunity grounded in KU’s role as a major national research university.”

**Successful completion of this program is noted by a stamp on the student’s transcript.**

To complete REP certification in Psychology, a student must:

- (1) complete a set of courses designed to enhance their research competency and
- (2) must demonstrate competency by presenting research in a public forum

### **Course work (one from each category)**

Research design core: PSYC 310, 618, 620, 622 or 624

Research analysis core: PSYC 300 or equivalent

Laboratory experience: PSYC 460, 480, 481, 482 or equivalent

### **Demonstration of Competency (one of the following)**

Presentation of work at a conference (local or national)

Authorship/co-authorship on a manuscript submitted for publication

Completion of a senior thesis

Notes on the demonstration of competency: While most psychology undergraduates will complete the course work for the REP certification in due course of study, the demonstration of competency is a student’s first real introduction to the community of science. It is a step above and beyond the normal student advancement, and critical component of the REP distinction. The presentation can be at the KU Undergraduate Research symposium or at a national conference such as the annual meeting of the APA. Authorship requires only that the manuscript is submitted for publication, not that is accepted for publication. Using a senior thesis to fulfill this demonstration requires that the thesis is actually completed and accepted.

### **Completion of the program**

Once students have completed the requirements for REP certification, they should download and complete the certification form (<http://www.rgs.ku.edu/depts/training/rep/rep.shtml>). **Students should contact Paul Atchley (patchley@ku.edu, 864-9803) for final certification or with any additional questions about the program.**