# TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

# Department of Psychology Application for Graduate Program Master of Developmental Trauma (M.S.)

Students applying for graduate training in the Department of Psychology must complete and/or provide the following items:

- Graduate School Application with the \$60.00 Application Fee (paid by personal check drawn on a US bank, money order, or cashier's check and made out to TCU) must accompany all applications for Graduate Study at TCU.
  (NOTE: processing of an application by the Office of Graduate Studies will not begin until the application fee has been received).
- \_\_\_\_2. Department of Psychology Application to Graduate Program
- \_\_\_\_3. Application for Financial Aid (if desired)
- 4. Three letters of reference bearing on the student's academic qualifications and professional potential. These letters should be provided by professional persons such as college faculty members or supervisors in employment.
- 5. Official GRE scores
- \_\_\_\_6. One official transcript from all colleges or universities you have attended.

\_\_\_\_\_7. A current curriculum vita.

## **Admission Requirements**

An applicant must possess a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university. The Developmental Trauma program is designed for students with backgrounds in psychology, child development, or a related field. Students with majors in other disciplines will be considered upon request, but may be required to make up any deficiencies in their undergraduate preparations. For unconditional admission, the student must have satisfactory undergraduate preparation for the particular degree sought. This is determined by the department chair and the associate dean and includes a:

- "B" average in the last 60 hours of undergraduate work or in all undergraduate work;
- "B" average in the major field of study; and
- Satisfactory scores on the GRE and TOEFL (if required).

Admission to the Developmental Trauma program is based on a review of the applicant's GPA, GRE scores, letters of recommendation, and narrative description of interests, relevant experiences, and career goals. The Department of Psychology Admissions Committee makes all final admission decisions.

### **Graduation Requirements**

Completion of the Master's in Developmental Trauma requires a minimum of 30-credit hours. In accordance with University policy, a GPA of at least 2.75 must be maintained with no more than two grades of "C+" or lower being utilized in satisfying the degree requirement. Further, all students will complete a treatise or formal written work that deals systematically and extensively with a specific subject or project as part of the Developmental Trauma Capstone Course. The advisor and the student will decide the topic and procedures for the treatise. Upon completion of the treatise, the student will complete an oral presentation in which he or she will describe the treatise and answer questions.

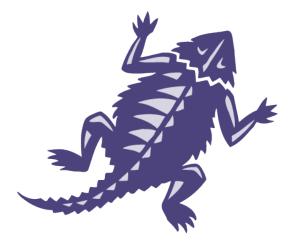
### Mentoring and Advising of Students

The program academic coordinator will counsel students in progress towards the degree in conjunction with the student's faculty advisor. Students must apply to work with a specific faculty research advisor during the admission process.

## **Four-One Option**

Available only to TCU undergraduates, the Four-One Option allows outstanding students to combine a bachelor's degree with the Master of Developmental Trauma (M.S.) in five years. By the end of their third year, Four-One Option students must complete the specified 90 hours. To be considered for admission to the Four-One Option students must submit a Four-One application during the semester they complete 90 hours. Only Four-One Option candidates demonstrating superior undergraduate academic performance and strong recommendation will be considered for admission. Candidates should work with their undergraduate advisor to determine how the courses will apply to the undergraduate degree. At the end of the fourth year, assuming that all other graduation requirements are met, the student earns his or her baccalaureate degree. During their fifth year, the student completes the remaining semester hours toward the M.S. degree.

Please Note: All Four-One applicants who are admitted into the Developmental Trauma program will begin their 5th year the summer following completion of their baccalaureate degree.



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Date of Application:

## I. Biographical Data:

Name:	
Campus Address:	
Home Address:	
Phone:	
E-mail:	

## II. Program to which you are applying:

Master of Developmental Trauma (M.S.)

### **III. Please tell us:**

Which faculty member you prefer to work with:

How many/if any articles are you listed as an author:

Published on In Press \_\_\_\_ In Active Review \_\_\_\_

What degrees you have earned and where:

Undergraduate	
Graduate	

# IV. Undergraduate Education:

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Minor \_\_\_\_\_

Undergraduate Courses in Psychology:

	Course	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Grade</u>	University	<u>Year</u>
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# V. Previous and Current Graduate Coursework in Psychology, if any:

	Course	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Grade</u>	University	<u>Year</u>
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# VI. Previous and Current Graduate and Undergraduate Coursework in Related Fields, if any:

A. Graduate:

	Course	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>University</u>	<u>Year</u>
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# B. Undergraduate:

	Course	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Grade</u>	University	<u>Year</u>
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# VI. Experience Related to Psychology (start with current or most recent employment):

1. Place of employr	nent:	
		Job Title:
		ies:
2. Place of employr	nent:	
		Job Title:
		ies:

3. Place of employme	ent:			
Date:	to	Job Title:		
Supervisor (and title):				
Description of duties	and responsibili	ties:		

**VII:** Please look at the research each of the TCU department of psychology faculty members are currently doing, pick the faculty member that you think you might want to work with, go to the library, look up that faculty member's publications, read some of their published articles. Your original choice of a major professor may not be your final choice. Major professors and area committees may be changed during your course of study.

#### On a separate sheet of paper, answer the following:

- 1. Reasons why you want to study in our graduate program.
- 2. What are your future goals and objectives?
- 3. With which faculty member do you want to start working? Please make it clear what area of research you are interested in. Include enough about their research you are interested in as well as the research that faculty member has published to let us know that you understand your own goals and how working with that faculty member will help you attain your goals.

