ALTERNATIVE CAPSTONE EXPERIENCE (ACE) IN PSYCHOLOGY

DECLARATION OF INTENT FORM

The ACE consists of two parts.

1. A 4-credit course called Senior Seminar (PSYC490). Although the exact requirements for this course may differ somewhat from section to section, it will generally involve an extensive literature review on a topic of your choice (usually 30 pages excluding the title page and references), a 30-minute oral presentation, and some additional requirements (for example, providing a review and critique of one or more of the papers written by other students in the class).
2. An additional 4-credit PSYC course, chosen from among the following options\*: PSYC 402 (Advanced Research Methods and Statistics), PSYC 405 (History and Systems of Psychology), PSYC 410 (Service Learning), PSYC474 (Psychological Assessment), PSYC 497 (Directed Research) [4 credits- all four credits must be taken for graded credit during the same semester], or an additional laboratory course in psychology

**If you plan to elect the ACE option, fill out this form and return it along with the requested attachment (see topic statement info below) to Angie Draheim (GH116) during advising week in the semester prior to your enrolling in senior seminar or the spring semester of your junior year (whichever comes first).**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Declared Major(s): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Currently a Junior (circle one): Yes No

Planned Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate with a check which semester you intend/prefer to enroll in PSYC 490 (Senior Seminar):

□ Fall 20\_\_\_\_

□ Spring 20\_\_\_\_

Please indicate with a check which of the following courses you have taken or plan to take for the additional 4-credits. If you have completed the course, list the grade received in the space. If currently enrolled, list “IP.”

□ PSYC 402 (Advanced Research Methods and Statistics) [SP17] \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

□ PSYC 405 (History and Systems of Psychology) [FA17, generally offered in FA] \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

□ PSYC 410 (Service Learning) [FA17, generally offered in alternate SP] \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

□ PSYC 474 (Psychological Assessment) [generally offered in alternate SP] \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

□ PSYC 497 (Directed Research) (4 credits in a single semester- graded) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

□ An additional laboratory course in psychology \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Topic statement requirement**

The written paper is the single most important aspect of Senior Seminar and it requires some forethought.

**In addition to submitting this form, you must attach** a topic statement of about 250 words (one typewritten page), listing 3 topics you are interested in and indicating why each topic is of interest to you.