Program Introduction
The Ph.D. program in Psychiatric Rehabilitation (PsyR) is designed to prepare researchers, educators, scholars, and leaders in this emerging field. This research based degree, unique in the country, is the first to offer the doctor of philosophy specifically in Psychiatric Rehabilitation. Successful candidates will have significant PsyR experience.

Each accepted student has an assigned advisor/mentor. Doctoral classes are scheduled in the evening, allowing students to remain professionally active. While many courses may be taken at UMDNJ’s Stratford campus or over the World Wide Web, courses comprising the doctoral core meet at UMDNJ’s Scotch Plains campus. The degree requires completion of a minimum of 76 credits including the dissertation sequence. Students are required to sit for a candidacy examination after completing 48 core credits prior to beginning their dissertation research.

Program Description
The curriculum consists of 76 credits from the areas of research, organizations and systems, PsyR methods, and teaching. Written and oral communications skills are stressed. In addition, there is a strong emphasis on practical applications of knowledge and skills in seminars and at practicum settings. Students are required to carry out research/practicum projects both as a member of a team and individually.

There is a liberal transfer credit policy. In addition, with faculty approval, students may develop portfolios to receive credit for specific areas of professional expertise. Students are required to sit for a preliminary examination after completing 36 core credits prior to entering candidacy for the doctorate.

A sample of courses specific to the doctoral program include:
PSRT 6301 Doctoral Seminar I  
PSRT 6025 Tests and Measurements  
PSRT 6107 Multivariate Statistics  
PSRT 6322 Evaluation Research  
PSRT 7005 Dissertation Research  

**Full-time and Part-time status**  
The program is available as either a part-time or full-time program.  

**Department Faculty**  
Please see the department faculty at:  

And, Doctoral faculty at the departments’ website.  

**Primary Campus Location**  
Doctoral classes are held at the Scotch Plains campus. Some of the classes in the curriculum are web-based. Program offices are located on the Scotch Plains campus.  

**Curriculum**  
See database for program requirements and course descriptions and select your program at:  

**Mission and Goals**  
The mission of the Ph.D. program in Psychiatric Rehabilitation (PsyR) is the improvement of services for persons with severe mental illnesses. Our goal is to train doctoral level professions who will contribute to the PsyR knowledge base, design and lead innovative, effective and efficient services, and educate and train current staff and new professionals in the field and the classroom.  

**Admissions requirements**  
- Bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution  
- Significant Psychiatric Rehabilitation experience  
- Current Resume  
- Three (3) letters of reference  
- Personal statement outlining reason for pursuing this degree and future professional plans  
- Graduate Record Examination Verbal and Math scores (within the last five years)
G.P.A. minimum requirement/credentialing requirement:
The minimum requirement is 3.0.

For more information
For more information contact the Office of Enrollment Services at (973) 972-5454.

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