



## CENTER FOR MIND, BRAIN, AND CULTURE

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### The Center for Mind, Brain, and Culture

offers

a **Graduate Certificate Program** in Mind, Brain, and Culture

#### **What is a graduate certificate program?**

A graduate certificate program is the graduate school version of a “minor” or secondary area of specialization. Students undertake additional focused coursework beyond their primary course of study in their home program. Designation that they have completed this certificate appears on their diplomas and transcripts, as a formal mark of credentials in this additional area.

#### **What are the goals of the Certificate Program in Mind, Brain, and Culture?**

The Graduate Certificate in Mind, Brain, and Culture provides a formal means for doctoral students interested in multiple disciplinary perspectives on the study of mind, brain, and culture to pursue these interests. The goal is to provide students with interests in the study of mind, brain, culture, and their intersections with a greater understanding of multidisciplinary approaches to these topics, and to develop tailored plans of study that augment their own research endeavors.

#### **What are the requirements of the program?**

The Certificate involves completing course work (4 courses plus two semesters attending a research group meeting). These requirements include **MBC 501** (Core Course in Multi-disciplinary Approaches to Mind, Brain, and Culture), three approved elective courses, and two semesters of participation in a one-credit hour (monthly) research group seminar, **MBC 600**, in which students will have opportunities to discuss topics and readings, guest lectures, and presentations from across the various disciplines. Many times the electives will also count towards completion of requirements in your home program.

### **When is the required Core Course being offered?**

The Core Course (MBC501) will be offered in the Fall of 2014 by Dr. Robert N. McCauley, Director of the CMBC. We anticipate offering the course at least every other year in the fall semester.

### **How can I find out more?**

- We have detailed information about the Certificate Program posted on our website at [http://cmbc.emory.edu/graduate/certificate\\_program.html](http://cmbc.emory.edu/graduate/certificate_program.html).
- We will have an **INFORMATION SESSION** for those interested in participating, on **Wednesday, March 5th from 4 to 5 p.m.** in the CMBC (PAIS 464).
- You may contact the Certificate Program Director, Dr. Lynne Nygaard (Lnygaar@emory.edu) with questions or to discuss this opportunity.

### **How do I sign up to participate?**

To enroll in the Certificate Program, you will need to complete a training plan (available on the web at [http://cmbc.emory.edu/graduate/certificate\\_program.html](http://cmbc.emory.edu/graduate/certificate_program.html)) in consultation with the Certificate Program Director, Dr. Lynne Nygaard (Lnygaar@emory.edu) and your primary academic advisor in your home program. We encourage you to meet with Dr. Nygaard (or, at minimum, correspond by email) about your interest in the program prior to preparing a draft of your training plan.

### **Can courses already completed count towards the certificate?**

Yes, provided that you can make a compelling case for how and why those courses meet the elective requirements and address your articulated training goals.