Students are encouraged to use this form to consult with their certificate advisor, plan for both which courses to take and for completing all certificate requirements. Students are expected to finalize this form with their certificate advisor and attach a copy of their unofficial transcript during the final semester of their senior year: no later than **November1** for fall/January graduates, and **April 1** for spring/May graduates.   
More information about certificate program requirements can be found at [www.fivecolleges.edu/cogneuro/certificate](https://www.fivecolleges.edu/cogneuro/certificate).  
Courses recommended for the certificate are listed at the program website: [www.fivecolleges.edu/cogneuro/courses](https://www.fivecolleges.edu/cogneuro/courses).

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| Student Name:  Click or tap here to enter text. | Institution:  Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Student ID number:  Click or tap here to enter text. | Expected date of graduation (month and year):  Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Campus Email:   Click or tap here to enter text. | Major:  Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Permanent Email (best way to contact you after graduation):  Click or tap here to enter text. | Cognitive Neuroscience Program Advisor Name (print):  Click or tap here to enter text. |

To be completed by the Advisor:   
The aforementioned student has completed all of the certificate requirements. I recommend to the Five College Cognitive Neuroscience Committee that this student be awarded the certificate.Advisor Signature: **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Date Submitted to Committee: **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  
The Cognitive NeuroscienceCommittee reviewed this form and agreed to award the certificate on this date: **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Coursework:Students must complete at least one course in each of the following six areas of study. Please provide complete information for each course. Clearly mark any courses in progress with pending grade at the time the form is submitted.

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| Institution | Course title | Department | Course # | Semester/Year | Credits | Passing grade (Y/N) | Grade pending (Y/N) |
| 1. **Overview of cognitive science**. Rationale: Provides the student with a broad outlook of issues related to cognitive science. | | | | | | | |
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| 1. **Scientific foundations (physics, computer science, chemistry, biology).**  Rationale: Provides the student with greater coverage of a topic supporting the cognitive neuroscience framework. To be determined under the guidance of the student's Cognitive Neuroscience Certificate faculty adviser. It is recommended that this course be in an area outside of the student's major. | | | | | | | |
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| 1. **Research methods, design and analysis.** Rationale: Provides the student with the methodological foundation needed to understand, interpret, and conduct basic research. | | | | | | | |
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| 1. **Philosophy of mind.** Rationale: Provides the student with fundamental philosophical insights on the mind-body problem, a key issue in the field of cognitive neuroscience. | | | | | | | |
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| 1. **Neuroscience (neuroanatomy and neurophysiology).** Rationale: Provides the basics in brain anatomy and function. | | | | | | | |
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| 1. **Advanced topics.** Rationale: Provides more in-depth coverage of empirical and theoretical issues central to cognitive processes. | | | | | | | |
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Independent research:

The student must also complete at least one semester of independent research through a thesis, course project, or special study. The course project may be completed in conjunction with one of the classes listed under the Research Methods areas. An adviser-approved summer research project would also meet the research requirement.

Title of project: Click or tap here to enter text.  
  
Brief description of research:   
Click or tap here to enter text.

Instructions to the program advisor for submitting certificate completion documents:

1. Meet with student to review requirements and ensure form is completed accurately. Verify that minimum grade requirement has been met (indicate with a “yes” or “no”). Clearly mark any courses for which the grade is pending (in progress at the time the documents are submitted). Any in progress grades can be verified after the documents are submitted for processing.  
    Note: In order to protect the student’s privacy, please do not include specific grades on this form. Do not email student’s grades or   
    transcripts, as electronic communications are not considered sufficiently secure.
2. Sign and date the form to indicate the advisor’s recommendation of this student for the certificate award.
3. Submit the form **with a copy of the student’s (unofficial) transcript** to the Five College program Committee or Council overseeing the certificate for final review.
4. If the Five College program Committee or Council agrees to award the certificate to the student, the documents should be submitted to **fcacademics@fivecolleges.edu** for final processing by **December 15** for fall graduates and by **April 30** for spring graduates. **Please remove the student’s transcript before submitting this form to Five College staff (to protect student’s privacy).**
5. The certificate award will be noted on the student’s transcript by the appropriate campus registrar.