

Psychology: Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)

Degree Type

Bachelor of Arts

Psychology is the science of behavior and mental processes. The psychology major provides students with a broad foundation in current psychology including the

methodologies, problems, bodies of knowledge and perspectives. Senior psychology majors are required to design and implement an original research project in a selected area of psychological inquiry. In addition, seniors are required to complete an internship offered in a variety of diverse settings. The psychology program prepares graduates to work in entry-level positions in the mental health field and to pursue graduate work in psychology or any related field.

Learning Outcomes

Students will:

- Identify, define and explain the key terminology, concepts, principles, theories and models from the field of psychology.
- Apply basic research methods in psychology, including research design, data analysis and interpretation.
- Apply critical analysis and creative thinking skills, skeptical inquiry and the scientific approach to solve problems related to behavior and mental processes.
- Demonstrate ethical and social responsibility in a diverse world.
- Apply principles of effective oral and written communication.
- Develop insight into their own and others' behavior and mental processes.
- Emerge from the major with realistic ideas about how to ethically and professionally implement their psychological knowledge, skills and values in occupational pursuits in a variety of settings.

Psychology B.A. Progress to Completion Requirements:

Program Credit Requirement: 52 credits (including 4 credit minimum internship)

[PSY 101](#) – minimum grade of C

Item #	Title	Credits
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	4.0
PSY 202	Personality Psychology	4.0
PSY 204	Social Psychology	4.0
PSY 211	Cognitive Psychology	4.0
PSY 216	Neuroscience	4.0
PSY 302	Statistical Methods for Psychology	4.0
PSY 308	Research Methods in Psychology	4.0
PSY 485	Psychology Internship and Professional Development Seminar	4.0-16
PSY 486	Psychology Capstone: Advanced Research Seminar	4.0
	Four 300- to 400-level Psychology electives	16

Suggested Registration Sequence

First Year - Fall

Item #	Title	Credits
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	4.0
WRT 101	Introduction to Academic Writing	4.0
FYE 101	First Year Experience	4.0
	Lib Ed - Liberal Education Core Course	4

First Year - Spring

Item #	Title	Credits
PSY 202	Personality Psychology	4.0
	MAT - Quantitative Literacy Proficiency	4
	Lib Ed - Liberal Education Core Course	4
	Free Elective Course	4

Sophomore Year - Fall

Item #	Title	Credits
PSY 204	Social Psychology	4.0
PSY 216	Neuroscience	4.0
	Lib Ed - Liberal Education Core Course	4
	Free Elective Course	4

Sophomore Year - Spring

Item #	Title	Credits
PSY 211	Cognitive Psychology	4.0
	Lib Ed - Liberal Education Core Course	4
	Lib Ed - Liberal Education Core Course	4
	Free Elective Course	4

Junior Year - Fall

Item #	Title	Credits
PSY 302	Statistical Methods for Psychology	4.0
	300- to 400-Level Psychology Elective Course	4
	IE - Integrative Experience Course	4
	Lib Ed - Liberal Education Core Course	4

Junior Year - Spring

Item #	Title	Credits
PSY 308	Research Methods in Psychology	4.0
	300- to 400-Level Psychology Elective Course	4
	Free Elective Course	4
	Free Elective Course	4

Senior Year - Fall

Item #	Title	Credits
PSY 486	Psychology Capstone: Advanced Research Seminar	4.0
	300- to 400-Level Psychology Elective Course	4
	Free Elective Course	4
	Free Elective Course	4

Senior Year - Spring

Item #	Title	Credits
PSY 485	Psychology Internship and Professional Development Seminar	4.0-16
	300- to 400-Level Psychology Elective Course	4
	Free Elective Course	4