

Psychology, B.A.

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College of Letters, Arts and Sciences

Catalog 15-16

This sheet applies to the 2014-15 catalog *only*. It does not replace the full catalog or departmental advising sheets as official statements of requirements. Students with declared majors *must* work with a faculty advisor on course selection and sequencing to ensure a timely graduation.

General Studies
Major courses
Minor
Electives
Total to graduate (min. 40 hrs upper division)

33-35 hrs
45
18 min
22-24
120 min

Students who have reached junior standing (60 hrs) should request a CAPP (graduation compliance report) and review it with a faculty advisor.

***TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN FIRST 30 COLLEGE-LEVEL CREDIT HOURS**

Written Communication

- ___ ENG 1010 (3 hrs) Composing Arguments*
- or** ENG 1008/1009 (6 hrs.) Intro to Composition, Parts 1 & 2*
- ___ ENG 1020 (3 hrs) Freshman Comp: Analysis, Research, & Documt.
(ENG 1020 must be completed within 45 credit hours)

Oral Communication*

___ (3 hrs)

Quantitative Literacy*

- ___ MTH 1080 (3hrs), MTH1110 (4hrs) or MTH 1112 (4hrs)
PSY recommends that PSY majors do NOT take MTH 1210

Arts and Humanities

___ (3 hrs)
___ (3 hrs)

Historical

___ (3 hrs)

Natural and Physical Sciences

- ___ BIO 1000 (3hrs) Human Biology for Non-majors
- or** BIO 1030 (4hrs) General Biology for Non-majors
- or** BIO 1080 (3hrs) & BIO 1090 (1hr) General Intro to Biology & Lab
- ___ (3 hrs)

Social and Behavioral Sciences I May not be a PSY course.

___ (3 hrs)

Social and Behavioral Sciences II May not be a PSY course.

___ (3 hrs)

Global Diversity may be satisfied within General Studies. May not be a PSY course.

___ (3 hrs)

___ **Multicultural Requirement** may be satisfied in Gen Studies, major, minor, or electives
PSY multicultural courses include: PSY 3030, PSY 3700

MAJOR COURSES (Please see a Faculty Advisor in PSY dept)

Minimum GPA of 2.0 required for PSY major courses with minimum grade of D-

- ___ **PSY 1001 (3hrs) Introductory Psychology**
- ___ PSY 2330 (3hrs)* Stats & Research Methods for Social Beh. Sciences I
**Students must see PSY dept. for PSY2330 registration permission*
- ___ PSY 2340 (3hrs) Stats & Research Methods for Social Beh. Sciences II
- ___ PSY 3300 (3hrs) Applications of Psychological Research Methods
- or** PSY 3320 (3hrs) Advanced Psychological Research Methods
- ___ PSY 4510 (3hrs) History & Systems of Psychology (Senior Experience)

Select 1 course from three of the following categories
-and- 2 courses from a fourth category in consultation with a PSY faculty advisor:

SOCIAL

- ___ PSY 2410 (3hrs) Social Psychology
- or** PSY 3050 (3hrs) Psychology of Gender
- or** PSY 3450 (3hrs) Organizational Psychology
- or** PSY 3700 (3hrs) Psychology of Group Prejudice

EXPERIMENTAL

- ___ PSY 4520 (3hrs) Sensation and Perception
- or** PSY 4530 (3hrs) Psychology of Learning
- or** PSY 4540 (3hrs) Behavioral Neuroscience
- or** PSY 4570 (3hrs) Cognitive Psychology

CLINICAL/PERSONALITY

- ___ PSY 2150 (3hrs) Positive Psychology
- or** PSY 3000 (3hrs) Theories of Personality
- or** PSY 3620 (3hrs) Abnormal Psychology
- or** PSY 4100 (3hrs) Introduction to Clinical/Counseling Psychology

DEVELOPMENTAL

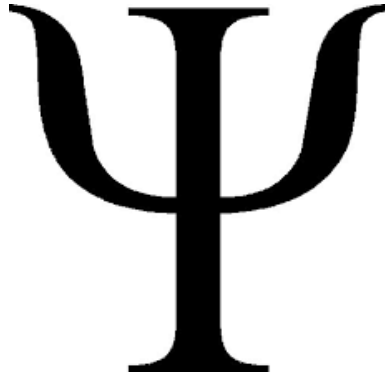
- ___ PSY 2210 (3hrs) Psychology of Human Development
- or** PSY 3250 (3hrs) Child Psychology
- or** PSY 3260 (3hrs) Psychology of Adolescence
- or** PSY 3270 (3hrs) Adulthood & Aging

PSY Electives* – Select 15 hours with your PSY faculty advisor.

No more than 9 of these hours may be PSY 2950 courses, and no more than 6 of these hours may be PSY 4980 - Independent Study and no more than 6 hours may be in PSY 3370 - Undergraduate Research Assistant and no more than 6 hours may be in PSY 3980 - Internship **Students may count a maximum of 60 credits in Psychology toward a BA.**

MINOR (required)

ELECTIVES



Careers in Psychology

Activities Leader
Admissions Evaluator
Advertising Professional
Art Therapist
Career Planning Professional
Child Psychologist
Clinical Psychologist
College Student Affairs Professional
Community and Social Service Worker
Community Relations Director
Copywriter
Counselor: Alcohol / Drug
Counselor: Career; Guidance; Crisis Intervention
Creative Director
Criminologist
Editor
Expressive Therapist

Hospice Coordinator
Hospital Administrator
Human Factors Specialist
Human Resource Professional
Mental Health Coordinator
Personnel Manager
Police Officer
Psychiatric Nurse
Psychiatrist
Psychologist
Psychometrist
Public Relations Professional
Recreational Therapist
Residence Counselor
School Psychologist
Social Worker
Special Education Teacher
Speech Pathologist
Sports Psychologist

Important Qualities

Analytical skills. Psychologists must be able to examine the information they collect and draw logical conclusions from them.

Communication skills. Psychologists must have strong communication skills because they spend much of their time listening to and speaking with patients.

Observational skills. Psychologists study attitude and behavior. They must be able to watch people and understand the possible meanings of people's facial expressions, body positions, actions, and interactions.

Patience. Psychologists must be able to demonstrate patience, because research or treatment of patients may take a long time. They must also be patient when dealing with people who have mental or behavioral disorders.

People skills. Psychologists study people and help people. They must be able to work well with clients, patients, and other medical professionals.

Problem-solving skills. Psychologists need problem-solving skills to find treatments or solutions for mental and behavioral problems.

Trustworthiness. Psychologists must keep patients' problems in confidence, and patients must be able to trust psychologists' expertise in treating sensitive problems.