

# B.S. in Psychology

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## Description

The B.S. in psychology provides students with a solid foundation for graduate programs as well as for careers in which an understanding of human behavior and psychological research is beneficial. Students learn the scientific approach to the study of human and animal behavior, engage in experiential learning, gain an understanding of cultural perspectives, and practice using statistical tools. Students take courses in a variety of subfields, such as social, cognitive, personality, abnormal, developmental, behavior analysis, and behavioral neuroscience.

## Minimum Total Credit Hours: 120

### General Education Requirements

See the 'General Education/Core Curriculum' for the College of Liberal Arts.

### Course Requirements

A major in psychology for the B.S. degree consists of 39 credit hours, including Psy 201, 202, 205, 303; at least five of the following six core courses (Psy 301, 309, 311, 319, 320, 321); at least one of the following cultural perspectives courses (Psy 340, 350, 365, 425, 565); at least one of the following experiential learning research courses (Psy 390, 392, 394, 405, 406, 420, 421, 422), one of the following capstone courses (Psy 340, 360, 365, 390, 392, 394, 396, 410, 415, 417, 419, 430, 451, 456, 457, 470, 475, 565); and additional psychology courses to reach 39 hours. No more than 6 combined credit hours from Psy 401, 402, 403, 405, 406, 420, and/or 421 may be counted toward the major.

The same course can satisfy both the cultural perspectives and capstone requirements. Students must still meet the total number of hours required for the major.

### Other Academic Requirements

Students must achieve a grade of C or better in all course work counted for the major in psychology. Psychology courses require a grade of C or better in all prerequisite courses, including those prerequisite courses from other departments.

As part of their general education requirements students must complete 3 credits of Math not including Math 245 or 246. They also complete 18 hours of related course work from the following departments: Computer Science, Biology, Economics, Math, Philosophy, and Sociology.

