

Psychology

Courses required for the first year: None
Courses recommended for the first year: PSYC100
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The Major in Psychology

32 credits, including 100, 240, 246, and 300; 4 credits of electives at each of the 200-, 300-, and 400-levels; one Senior Inquiry from 414, 452, 454, 458, or 466; and 2 additional credits of electives at any level. Experiential coursework (382, 385, 490, internships) cannot satisfy the 200-, 300-, or 400-level elective requirement, but can satisfy the 2 additional electives requirement.

Students may not major or minor in both Psychology and Neuroscience.

Students intending to apply to graduate school in psychology should consult with their advisors for further recommendations.

Required Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Learning Perspective/ Suffix	Prerequisites	Usually offered: F, J, SP, SU*	Credits
PSYC100	Introduction to Psychology	PS		F, SP	4
PSYC240	Statistics	Q		F, SP	4
PSYC246	Research Methods		PSYC100 or 200; PSYC240	F, SP	4
PSYC300	Personal & Professional Development		PSYC100	F, SP	2

Required Supporting Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Learning Perspective/ Suffix	Prerequisites	Usually offered: F, J, SP, SU*	Credits
200 level elective	200, 216, 222, 224, 226, 228, or 280	PSYC228 D	PSYC100 or 200	F, J, SP	4
300 level elective	322, 340, 342, 343, 346, 347, 350, 352, or 380		PSYC100 or 200, 240, & 246	F, SP	4

400 level elective	405 & 406, 412, 414, 415, 416, 418, 426, or 480	PSYC406: G	PSYC100 and Junior or Senior standing	F, SP	4
Senior Inquiry	PSYC414, 452, or 458			F, SP	4
Electives	at any level (also includes PSYC130, 382, 385, and 490)			F, SP	2

The Minor in Psychology

20 credits, including 100, 240, 246; and two 4-credit electives with at least one at the 300-400 level. Students may not major or minor in both Psychology and Neuroscience.

Required Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Learning Perspective/ Suffix	Prerequisites	Usually offered: F, J, SP, SU*	Credits
PSYC100	Introduction to Psychology	PS		F, SP	4
PSYC240	Statistics	Q		F, SP	4
PSYC246	Research Methods		PSYC100 or 200; PSYC240	F, SP	4
Elective	any level			F, SP	4
Elective	300-level		PSYC100 or 200, 240, & 246	F, SP	4
	400-level		PSYC100 or 200 and Junior or Senior standing		

Major Overview

Students have the opportunity to gain clinical experience in a community placement as a component of a PSYC 490 experience coordinated within the department. They also have the option of engaging in research studies through PSYC 382. Some recent graduates were so successful in their clinical placements, they were hired full-time after graduation.

Recent graduates are employed by Family Resources social services agency, Quad Cities Autism Center, Peace Corps and AmeriCorps. They are teaching English in Asia and working as substance abuse counselors, college admissions counselors, a behavioral health technician and a public aid advocate for DHS. Others work in sales, marketing, and human resources.

Recent graduates have completed PhDs in cognitive, clinical, social and quantitative psychology, and behavioral neuroscience; and Master's degrees in counseling, industrial organizational, social work, and political science. Others have gone on to law and medical schools, nursing, and physical and occupational therapy.

*Fall, J term, Spring, Summer; see [Academic Calendar](#) for specific dates

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