

# Bachelor of Arts in Psychology

The Bachelor of Arts in Psychology examines the workings of the human mind by studying aspects of developmental, organizational, and abnormal psychology. Emphasis is on applying the science of human behavior to vocational, personal, academic, and clinical settings. This online bachelor's degree is intended for students who plan to work in public-facing professions such as politics, law, counseling, human services, education, law enforcement, military service, human-computer interaction, and public management.

## Degree Program Objectives

In addition to the institutional and degree level learning objectives, graduates of this program are expected to achieve these learning outcomes:

- Articulate the major theoretical, historical, and conceptual ideas that underpin the broad discipline and specialty areas of psychology.
- Delineate the education, training, roles and professional responsibilities of psychologists.
- Compare methodologies used in psychological research and data analysis.
- Apply results of psychological research to contemporary issues in the field.
- Evaluate how behavior is influenced by internal, environmental, and soci-cultural factors.

## Degree at a Glance

Code	Title	Semester Hours
	General Education Requirements	30
	Major Required	48
	Final Program Requirements	3
	Elective Requirements	39
	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>120</b>

## Degree Program Requirements

### General Education Requirements (30 semester hours)

Code	Title	Semester Hours
<b>Arts and Humanities (6 semester hours)<sup>1</sup></b>		
Select 2 courses from the following:		6
ARAB100	Arabic I	
ARAB101	Arabic II	
ARTH200	Art Appreciation	
ARTH241	Film and Literature	
DSIN141	Image Enhancement using Adobe Photoshop	
FREN100	French I	
FREN101	French II	
GERM100	German I	
GERM101	German II	
JAPN100	Introduction to Japanese	
LITR215	Literature of American Encounters, Revolution, and Rebellion	
LITR218	From Abolition to #MeToo: Literature of the American Civil Rights Movement	
LITR222	Pivotal Figures in Early British Literature	
LITR225	British Literature from Wordsworth through the Wasteland	
LITR231	Leadership in World Literature: Antiquity to the Early Modern Period	
LITR233	Literature of the Newly Globalized World: The Individual's Struggle to Adapt	
MUSI200	Music Appreciation	
MUSI250	World Music and Cultures	
PHIL101	Introduction to Philosophy	
PHIL110	Critical Thinking	
PHIL200	Introduction to Ethics	
PHIL202	Philosophy of Science	
PORT100	Introduction to Brazilian Portuguese	
RELS201	Introduction to World Religions	
RUSS100	Russian I	
SPAN100	Spanish I	
SPAN101	Spanish II	
STEM270	Thinking and Acting Ethically	
<b>Civics, Political and Social Sciences (6 semester hours)<sup>1</sup></b>		
PSYC101	Introduction to Psychology	3
Select 1 course from the following:		3

ANTH100	Introduction to Anthropology
ANTH202	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
COMM211	Social Media and Society
COMM240	Intercultural Communication
ECON101	Microeconomics
ECON102	Macroeconomics
EDUC200	Humane Education: A Global Interdisciplinary Perspective
GEOG101	Introduction to Geography
HOSPI110	Practical Food Safety and Awareness
IRLS210	International Relations I
LITR212	Forgotten America--Under Represented Cultures in American Literature
LITR235	Four Points of the Compass: Culture and Society Around the World
POLS101	Introduction to Political Science
POLS210	American Government I
SOCI111	Introduction to Sociology
SOCI212	Social Problems
SOCI220	American Popular Culture
STEM280	Exploring Society and Cultures via Science Fiction

**Communication: Writing, Oral, and Multimedia (9 semester hours)**

COMM120	Information and Digital Literacy	3
ENGL110	Making Writing Relevant	3
Select 1 course from the following:		3
COMM200	Public Speaking	
ENGL101	Proficiency in Writing	
ENGL115	Argumentation and Rhetoric	
ENGL210	Introduction to Literature	
ENGL220	Technical Writing	
ENGL221	Scientific Writing	
ENGL226	Effective Business Communication	
HRMT101	Human Relations Communication	
IRLS200	Information Literacy and Global Citizenship	
ITCC231	Introduction to Information Technology Writing	
MGMT100	Human Relations	

**History (3 semester hours)**

Select 1 course from the following		3
HIST101	American History to 1877	
HIST102	American History since 1877	
HIST111	World Civilization before 1650	
HIST112	World Civilization since 1650	
HIST121	Western Civilization before The Thirty Years War	
HIST122	Western Civilization since The Thirty Years War	

HIST221	African-American History before 1877
HIST222	African-American History since 1877
HIST223	History of the American Indian
HIST270	History of Science
STEM185	The History and Context of STEM

**Mathematics and Applied Reasoning (3 semester hours)**

MATH120	Introduction to Statistics	3
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**Natural Sciences (3 semester hours)**

Select 1 course from the following: 3

BIOL180	Introduction to Biology
BIOL181	Introduction to Human Anatomy and Physiology
CHEM180	Introduction to Chemistry
ERSC180	Introduction to Meteorology
ERSC181	Introduction to Geology
EVSP180	Introduction to Environmental Science
PHYS180	Introduction to Physics
SPST180	Introduction to Astronomy
STEM100	Introduction to STEM Disciplines

Total Semester Hours 30

<sup>1</sup> All literature courses require successful completion of ENGL101 - Proficiency in Writing or ENGL110 - Making Writing Relevant.

**Major Required (48 semester hours)**

Code	Title	Semester Hours
PSYC102	Professional Careers and Education in Psychology	3
PSYC221	Personality Theories	3
CHFD342	Human Life Span Development	3
PSYC303	Learning and Cognition	3
PSYC300	Research Methods in Psychology	3
SOCI332	Statistics for Social Science	3
PSYC304	Perception	3
PSYC305	History and Systems of Psychology	3
PSYC325	Biopsychology	3
PSYC406	Psychopathology	3

Select 6 courses from the following 2 categories: 18

**Social/Developmental Psychology**

PSYC201	Introduction to Social Psychology
CHFD220	Human Sexuality
CHFD308	Infant-Toddler Development
CHFD215	Introduction to Child Development
CHFD307	Child and Adolescent Development
PSYC343	Adult Development

**Clinical/Forensic/Applied Psychology**

PSYC431	Psychology of Disaster	
PSYC432	Psychology of Combat	
PSYC360	Psychology of Terrorism	
PSYC460	Sports Psychology	
PSYC324	Psychology of Addiction & Substance Abuse	
Total Semester Hours		48

### Final Program Requirements (3 semester hours)

Code	Title	Semester Hours
PSYC498	Senior Seminar in Psychology (to be taken as the last course before graduation) <sup>1</sup>	3
Total Semester Hours		3

<sup>1</sup> Prerequisite: Senior Standing and completion of all major courses prior to enrollment.

### Elective Requirements (39 semester hours)

Code	Title	Semester Hours
Select any courses not already taken to fulfill the requirements listed above. Credits applied toward a minor or certificate in an unrelated field may be used to fulfill elective credit for the major.		39
Total Semester Hours		39