

PSYCHOLOGY (PROFESSIONAL OPTION), BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PSYCHOLOGY

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 120

Major Hours: 37

Minimum Upper-Division Hours: 48

Upper-Division Hours Within Major: 25

Overall GPA - Combined: 3.00 OU: 2.00

Major GPA - Combined: 3.00 OU: 2.00

Program Code: B801

- 48 Upper-Division Hours Required.
- Some courses required for the major may also fulfill University General Education and/or College of Arts & Sciences Requirements.

Major Requirements

Students must earn an overall GPA of 3.00 or better on 60 hours of coursework and be sponsored by a member of the psychology faculty to be formally accepted by the department as a candidate in this degree program.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Foundation Courses		
PSY 1113	Elements of Psychology	3
PSY 2113	Research Methods I: Statistics	3
PSY 3114	Research Methods II: Applications and Experimental Design	4
Core Courses		
Choose four of the following:		12
PSY 2403	Introduction to Personality	
PSY 2603	Lifespan Development	
or PSY 3613	Developmental Psychology: Infancy through Adolescence	
PSY 3203	Cognitive Psychology	
PSY 3703	Social Psychology	
PSY 3753	Introduction to Industrial Organizational Psychology	
PSY 3803	Physiological Psychology	
Depth Courses		
Choose 12 hours from 3000- or 4000-level PSY courses ¹		12
Capstone Course		
Choose one PSY Capstone Course		3
Total Credit Hours		37

¹ 3000- or 4000-level PSY courses, with 6 hrs. coming from PSY 3990 and/or PSY 4990, none of which may be from Core Courses. Students may petition the Psychology Department to substitute research credits from another science-oriented department in place of PSY 3990/PSY 4990.

Major Support Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Math		
Choose one of the following:		3
MATH 1523	Precalculus and Trigonometry	
MATH 1643	Precalculus for Business, Life, and Social Sciences	
MATH 1743	Calculus I for Business, Life and Social Sciences	
MATH 1823	Calculus and Analytic Geometry I	
Biology		
Choose one of the following:		4-5
BIOL 1114	Introductory Zoology	
& BIOL 1121	and Introductory Zoology Lab	
BIOL 1124	Intro Biol: Molecule/Cell/Phys	
Group I		
Choose 8-13 hours from the Group I course list (p. 1)		8-13
Group II		
Choose two courses from the Group II course list (p. 1)		6
Total Credit Hours		21-27

Group I

Code	Title	Credit Hours
BIOL 2012		2
BIOL 2013	Evolution	3
CHEM 1315	General Chemistry	5
CHEM 1415	General Chemistry (Continued)	5
C S 1313	Programming for Non-Majors with C	3
C S 1323	Introduction to Computer Programming for Programmers	3
C S 2334	Programming Structures and Abstractions	4
PHYS 2414	General Physics for Life Science Oriented Majors	4
PSY 2503	Computing for Behavioral Sciences	3

Group II

Code	Title	Credit Hours
ANTH 2303	General Linguistics	3
or ANTH 3203	Introduction to Biological Anthropology	
A maximum of one of the following:		3
COMM 1113	Principles of Communication	
COMM 2003	Communication in Non-Western Culture	
COMM 2113	Business and Professional Communication	
A maximum of one of the following:		3
ECON 1113	Principles of Economics-Macro	
ECON 1123	Principles of Economics-Micro	
ECON 2523		
A maximum of one of the following:		3
HSCI 1113	Science, Nature and Society: Historical Perspectives	

HSCI 2213	The Darwinian Revolution	
HSCI 2423	Social and Ethical Issues in Science, Technology, Environment and Medicine	
PHIL 1113 or PHIL 3113	Introduction to Logic	3
A maximum of one of the following:		3
SOC 1113	Introduction to Sociology	
SOC 3523	Criminology	
SOC 3723	Sociology of Family	

General Education and College Requirements

Courses graded P/NP will not apply

Courses for fulfillment of General Education and College of Arts & Sciences requirements must be from the approved General Education course list published in the Class Schedule or at <http://www.ou.edu/gened/courses>.

University-Wide General Education (minimum 40 hours) and College of Arts and Sciences Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core Area I: Symbolic and Oral Communication		
<i>English Composition (6 hours)</i>		
ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition	3
ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213	Principles of English Composition Expository Writing	3
<i>Foreign Language (0-13 hours in the same language)</i>		
The College of Arts and Sciences requirement cannot be met by high school coursework.		
Beginning Course		0-5
Beginning Course, continued		0-5
Intermediate Course (2000 level) ^{1,2}		0-3
<i>Mathematics (3 hours)</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Mathematics list		3
Core Area II: Natural Science (7 hours, including one laboratory component)		
<i>Biological Science</i>		
Choose an approved General Education Natural Science course with one of the following prefixes: BIOL, HES, MBIO, or P BIO ¹		3-4
<i>Physical Science</i>		
Choose an approved General Education Natural Science course with one of the following prefixes: AGSC, ASTR, CHEM, GEOG, GEOL, GPHY, METR, or PHYS ¹		3-4
Core Area III: Social Science (6 hours)		
P SC 1113	American Federal Government	3
Choose one course from the General Education Social Science list		3
Core Area IV: Humanities (18 hours)		
<i>Understanding Artistic Forms</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Artistic Forms list		3

Western Civilization and Culture

HIST 1483 or HIST 1493	United States, 1492 to 1865 United States, 1865 to the Present	3
Choose one course from the General Education Western Civilization & Culture list ³		3
<i>Non-Western Culture</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Non-Western Culture list		3
<i>Additional Core IV Upper-Division Humanities courses ⁴</i>		
Choose one course from Understanding Artistic Forms, Western Civilization & Culture, or Non-Western Culture ¹		3
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Core Area V: Senior Capstone Experience (3 hours)		
Choose one General Education Capstone course		3
Total Credit Hours		56

- ¹ College of Arts and Sciences Requirements: College requirements are not automatically fulfilled by a previous degree.
- ² One course at the intermediate level or demonstrated competency at that level
- ³ Excluding HIST 1483 and HIST 1493
- ⁴ 6 upper-division hours, 2 courses, at the 3000- 4000-level. **Must be outside the major.**

Free Electives

Electives to bring total applicable hours to the minimum total required for the degree including 48 upper-division hours.

Information Concerning General Rules, Regulations and Minimum Requirements

Arts and Sciences Hours: At least 80 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BA degree. At least 55 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BS degree.
Pass/No Pass Enrollment: A maximum of 16 semester hours of free elective credit may be attempted under this option.

Individual Studies (e.g., courses titled "Independent Study"): A maximum of 12 total semester hours may be counted toward graduation, excluding Honors Reading and Honors Research.

P.E. Courses: No physical education activity courses will be counted toward the 120 semester hours of acceptable credit for graduation.

Senior Institution Hours: A minimum of 60 semester hours applied toward graduation must be earned at senior (4-year) institutions.

Residency:

- At least 15 of the final 30 hours applied toward the degree or at least 50 percent of the hours required by the institution in the major field must be satisfactorily completed at the awarding institution.
- At least 15 semester hours of upper-division major work must be completed in residence at OU.
- OU correspondence courses are **not** considered resident credit.

Grade Point Averages: Students must earn a minimum over all 2.00 for each of the following: Combined Retention GPA (all college grades), OU Retention GPA, GPA for all major courses, and GPA for all major courses taken at OU. Some schools and departments of the College have higher minimum grade point averages required for their students.

Special Degrees: Students may qualify for an Honors degree (cum Laude, Magna cum Laude, or Summa cum Laude) by completing specific requirements of the Honors College. A degree will be earned with Distinction if the student completes at least 60 semester hours at OU with at least a 3.60 combined retention GPA and OU retention GPA. A degree will be earned with Special Distinction if the student completes at least 60 semester hours at OU with at least a 3.90 combined retention GPA and OU retention GPA.

Suggested Semester Plan of Study

This plan shows one possible grouping of courses that would allow students to graduate in four years. Please refer to the front of the degree checksheet for official requirements. Students must consult with College of Arts and Sciences and Department of Psychology academic advisors to verify that courses selected each semester fulfill the recommended plan and satisfy university, College of Arts and Sciences, and Psychology major requirements.

Course	Title	Credit Hours
Freshman		
First Semester		
ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition (Core I)	3
	Math Major Support course	3
P SC 1113	American Federal Government (Core III)	3
PSY 1113	Elements of Psychology	3
	Western Civilization & Culture (Core IV)	3
	Credit Hours	15
Second Semester		
ENGL 1213	Principles of English Composition (Core I) or EXPO 1213 or Expository Writing	3
HIST 1483	United States, 1492 to 1865 (Core IV) or HIST 1493 or United States, 1865 to the Present	3
PSY 2113	Research Methods I: Statistics	3
	PSY Major Core Course (see Program Requirements)	3
	Non-Western Culture (Core IV)	3
	Credit Hours	15
Sophomore		
First Semester		
PSY 3114	Research Methods II: Applications and Experimental Design	4
	PSY Major Core Course (see Program Requirements)	3
	Beginning Foreign Language (Core I)	5
	Understanding Artistic Forms (Core IV)	3
	Credit Hours	15
Second Semester		
	PSY Major Core Course (see Program Requirements)	3
	Major Support Requirement Group 2 (see Program Requirements)	3
	Choose one of the following:	4-5
BIOL 1114	Introductory Zoology	
& BIOL 1121	and Introductory Zoology Lab (Core II)	
BIOL 1124	Intro Biol: Molecule/Cell/Phys (Core II)	
	Beginning Foreign Language continued (Core I)	5
	Credit Hours	15

Junior	
First Semester	
PSY Major Depth Course (see Program Requirements)	3
PSY Major Core Course (see Program Requirements)	3
Major Support Requirement Group 1 (see Program Requirements)	2-5
Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3
Intermediate Foreign Language	3
Credit Hours	14
Second Semester	
PSY Major Depth Course (see Program Requirements)	3
PSY Major Depth Course (see Program Requirements)	3
Major Support Requirement Group 1 (see Program Requirements)	3-5
Major Support Requirement Group 2 (see Program Requirements)	3
Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3
Credit Hours	16
Senior	
First Semester	
PSY Major Depth Course (see Program Requirements)	3
Major Support Requirement Group 1 (see Program Requirements)	3-5
Free Elective, upper-division	3
Free Elective, upper-division	3
Free Elective, upper-division	3
Credit Hours	15
Second Semester	
PSY Capstone Course	3
Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3
Free Elective, upper-division	3
Free Elective, upper-division	3
Free Elective, upper-division	3
Credit Hours	15
Total Credit Hours	120