

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**  
**DODGE FAMILY COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**  
**THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA**

Academic Year
For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education Summer 2024 through Spring 2025

General Requirements	
Minimum Total Credit Hours .....	120
Minimum Upper-Division Hours .....	48
Major Hours .....	38
Upper-Division Hours within Major .....	25
<b>Minimum Retention/Graduation Grade Point Averages:</b>	
Overall - Combined .....	3.00
Overall OU .....	2.00
Major - Combined .....	3.00
Major - OU .....	2.00

Program
Psychology (Professional)  B801  Bachelor of Science

OU encourages students to complete at least 30 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in 4 years.

**GENERAL EDUCATION AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS**

Courses for fulfillment of General Education and Dodge 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>. **Courses graded P/NP will not apply.**

**UNIVERSITY-WIDE GENERAL EDUCATION (MINIMUM 40 HOURS) AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Core Area I: Symbolic and Oral Communication</b>		
<i>English Composition (6 hours)</i>		
ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition	3
ENGL 1213	Principles of English Composition	3
or EXPO 1213	Expository Writing	
<i>Language (0-13 hours in the same language)</i>		
The college requirement cannot be met by high school coursework.		
	Beginning Course	0-5
	Beginning Course, continued	0-5
	Intermediate Course (2000 level) <sup>1,2</sup>	0-3
<i>Mathematics (3 hours)</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Mathematics list		
		3
<b>Core Area II: Natural Science (7 hours, including one laboratory component)</b>		
<i>Biological Science</i>		
	Choose an approved General Education Natural Science course with one of the following prefixes: BIOL, HES, MBIO, or PBIO <sup>1</sup>	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 <sup>1</sup>	3-4
<b>Core Area III: Social Science (6 hours)</b>		
P SC 1113	American Federal Government	3
Choose one course from the General Education Social Science list		
		3
<b>Core Area IV: Arts and Humanities (18 hours)</b>		
<i>Artistic Forms</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Artistic Forms list		
		3
<i>Western Culture</i>		
HIST 1483	United States to 1865	3
or HIST 1493	United States, 1865 to the Present	
Choose one course from the General Education Western Culture list (excluding HIST 1483/1493)		
		3
<i>World Culture</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education World Culture list		
		3
<i>Additional Core IV Upper-Division Arts &amp; Humanities courses</i>		
Choose one course from Artistic Forms, Western Culture, or World Culture <sup>1,3</sup>		
		3
Choose one course from Artistic Forms, Western Culture, or World Culture <sup>1,3</sup>		
		3
<b>Core Area V: First Year Experience (3 hours)</b>		
Choose one course		
		3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>56</b>

- 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 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.

**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS**

- Some courses required for the major may also fulfill University General Education and/or Dodge College of Arts & Sciences 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
<b>Foundation Courses</b>		
PSY 1113	Elements of Psychology	3
PSY 2001	Career Exploration for Psychology	1
PSY 2003	Understanding Statistics	3
PSY 3114	Research Methods: Applications and Experimental Design	4
<b>Core Courses</b>		
Choose four of the following:		
PSY 2403	Introduction to Personality	12
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	
<b>Depth Courses</b>		
Choose 15 hours from 3000- or 4000-level PSY courses <sup>1</sup>		
		15
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>38</b>

- 1 3000- or 4000-level PSY courses, with 6 hours coming from PSY 3440/PSY 3990/PSY 4990, none of which may be from PSY 4910 or the Core Courses listed above. Students may petition the Psychology Department to substitute research credits from another science-oriented department in place of PSY 3440/PSY 3990/PSY 4990.

**MAJOR SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Math</b>		
MATH 1503	College Algebra <sup>1</sup>	3
or MATH 1643	Functions and Modeling for Business, Life and Social Sciences	
<b>Biology</b>		
Choose one of the following:		
BIOL 1005	Concepts in Biology	4-5
BIOL 1124	Intro Biol: Molecule/Cell/Phys	
BIOL 1134	Introductory Biology: Evolution, Ecology and Diversity	
<b>Group I</b>		
Choose three courses (8-13 hours) from the Group I course list		
		8-13
<b>Group II</b>		
Choose 6 hours from the Group II course list		
		6
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>21-27</b>

- 1 MATH 1523, or MATH 1743, may also be used to satisfy this requirement and is a prerequisite for several of the course options in the Group I major support course list.

More information in the catalog: (<http://ou-public.courseleaf.com/dodge-arts-sciences/psychology/psychology-professional-bachelor-science/>).

## 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.

### 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 Dodge 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.

Year	FIRST SEMESTER		Hours	SECOND SEMESTER		Hours
<b>FRESHMAN</b>	ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition ( Core I )	3	ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213	Principles of English Composition ( Core I ) or Expository Writing	3
		Math Major Support course	3	HIST 1483 or HIST 1493	United States to 1865 ( Core IV ) or United States, 1865 to the Present	3
	P SC 1113	American Federal Government ( Core III )	3	PSY 2003	Understanding Statistics	3
	PSY 1113	Elements of Psychology	3		PSY Major Core Course (see Program Requirements)	3
		First Year Experience (Core V)	3		World Culture (Core IV)	3
		<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>SOPHOMORE</b>	PSY 2001	Career Exploration for Psychology	1		PSY Major Core Course (see Program Requirements)	3
	PSY 3114	Research Methods: Applications and Experimental Design	4		Major Support Requirement Group 2 (see Program Requirements)	3
		PSY Major Core Course (see Program Requirements)	3		Intro Biology Major Support course	4-5
		Beginning Language (Core I)	5		Beginning Language continued (Core I)	5
		Artistic Forms (Core IV)	3			
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>16</b>		<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>JUNIOR</b>		PSY Major Depth Course (see Program Requirements)	3		PSY Major Depth Course (see Program Requirements)	3
		PSY Major Core Course (see Program Requirements)	3		PSY Major Depth Course (see Program Requirements)	3
		Major Support Requirement Group 1 (see Program Requirements) <sup>1</sup>	3-5		Major Support Requirement Group 1 (see Program Requirements) <sup>1</sup>	4-5
		Arts & Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3		Major Support Requirement Group 2 (see Program Requirements)	3
		Intermediate Language	3		Arts & Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3
		<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>SENIOR</b>		PSY Major Depth Course (see Program Requirements)	3		PSY Major Depth Course (see Program Requirements)	3
		Major Support Requirement Group 1 (see Program Requirements) <sup>1</sup>	1-3		Western Culture (Core IV)	3
		Free Elective, upper-division	3		Free Elective, upper-division	3
		Free Elective, upper-division	3		Free Elective, upper-division	3
		Free Elective, upper-division	3		Free Elective, upper-division	3
		<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>13</b>		<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>

<sup>1</sup> Group 1 Major Support Requirements must total at least 8 credit hours (8-13 credit hours, total).

**MAJOR SUPPORT GROUP COURSE LISTS****GROUP I**

<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
BIOL 2013		
CHEM 1315	General Chemistry	5
CHEM 1415	General Chemistry (Continued)	5
C S 2334	Programming Structures and Abstractions	4
PHYS 2414	General Physics for Life Science Oriented Majors	4
METR 2603	Severe and Unusual Weather	3
A maximum of one course from the following:		8-13
C S 1213	Programming for Non-Majors with Python	
C S 1313	Programming for Non-Majors with C	
C S 1321	Java for Programmers	
C S 1323	Introduction to Computer Programming for Programmers	
C S 1324	Introduction to Computer Programming for Non-Programmers	
MIS 2113	Computer-Based Information Systems	
PSY 2503	Computing for Behavioral Sciences	

**GROUP II**

<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
A maximum of one of the following:		3
ANTH 2303	General Linguistics	
ANTH 3203	Introduction to Biological Anthropology	
ANTH 4223	The Anthropology of Childhood	
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	
ECON 1113	Principles of Economics-Macro	3
or ECON 1123	Principles of Economics-Micro	
A maximum of one of the following:		3
HSTM 1113	Science, Nature and Society: Historical Perspectives	
HSTM 2213	The Darwinian Revolution	
HSTM 2423	Social and Ethical Issues in Science, Technology, Environment and Medicine	
HSTM 3013	History of Science to the Age of Newton	
HSTM 3023	History of Science Since the Seventeenth Century	
PHIL 1113	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	