PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

MAJOR DECLARATION
_____ Declare the major with one of the Undergraduate Psychology Advisors, Stephanie Osborn, Melanie Jones, or Valerie Johnson in Rooms 426, 428, and 430 Psychology. Students must make an appointment to declare. **Intro Psychology must be successfully completed prior to declaration.** Directions for how to make an appointment with one of the advisors are found at: psych.wisc.edu > Undergraduate Program > Schedule an Appointment. Alternately, you may search for Stephanie, Melanie or Valerie through Scheduling Assistant.

FOUNDATION COURSES
These courses provide a grounding in basic psychological facts and an understanding of the methodologies used to produce those facts. **Students are strongly encouraged to complete Intro Psych and a Breadth course (see below) BEFORE taking statistics.**

_____ Introduction to Psychology, Psych 201, 202 or 281 (Honors). GPA Requirement: ≥2.0*

_____ Basic Statistics for Psychology, Psych 210 or 280 (Honors)
Possible substitutions include: Statistics 371, or Soc. 360, or General Business 303. GPA Requirement: ≥2.0*

_____ Research Methods, Psych 225 or 285 (Honors).
If you transferred either Introductory Psychology or Statistics, you MUST contact a Psychology advisor at advisor@psych.wisc.edu from your wisc.edu account; include your campus ID number.
If you had to repeat Intro Psych or Statistics or Psych 225, you MUST fill out a 225 authorization form, available in room 238 Psychology. GPA Requirement: ≥2.0

_____ Biology: Students may choose from one of four Biology Paths: Zoology 101 AND 102; OR Zoology 151; OR Biocore 381-384 OR IB higher level biology exam score of 4 or better. GPA Requirement: ≥2.0 in each course.

BREADTH COURSES
These courses are meant to familiarize students with the breadth of psychology. Choose **THREE** courses from **THREE DIFFERENT TOPIC GROUPS** listed below. Specific grades are not required, but you must meet the L&S requirements of at least a 2.0 GPA in all Psychology courses numbered 300 or above. *Some additional courses may count as a Breadth course. Ask a psychology advisor about specific courses. **Students are strongly encouraged to take a Breadth course BEFORE taking statistics.

**Biological**
_____ Psychology 449 Animal Behavior (489 Honors)
_____ Psychology 450 Primates and Us: Insights into Human Biology and Behavior
_____ Psychology 454 Behavioral Neuroscience
_____ Psychology 523 Neurobiology
_____ Psychology 524 Neurobiology II

**Cognitive and Perceptual Sciences**
_____ Psychology 406 Psychology of Perception
_____ Psychology 413 Language, Mind and Brain
_____ Psychology 414 Cognitive Psychology

**Clinical**
_____ Psychology 509 Abnormal Psychology

**Social and Personality**
_____ Psychology 507 Psychology of Personality
_____ Psychology 522 Psychology of Women
_____ Psychology 528 Cultural Psychology
_____ Psychology 530 Social Psychology

**Developmental**
_____ Psychology 560 Child Psychology
_____ Psychology 564 Adult Development and Aging
_____ Psychology 350 Human Sexuality
DEPTH COURSES
These courses are meant to develop a deeper understanding of particular areas of psychology through both a lecture and discussion format. Choose any TWO courses. Classes are 4 credits and have breadth level prerequisite requirements. Different 501 Topics count as separate courses.

_____ Psychology 501 Depth Topics
_____ Psychology 502 Cognitive Development (582 Honors)
_____ Psychology 503 Social Development (583 Honors)
_____ Psychology 508 Psychology of Human Emotions: From Biology to Culture
_____ Psychology 520 How We Read: The Science of Reading and Its Educational Implications
_____ Psychology 521 The Structure of Human Thought: Concepts, Language and Culture
_____ Psychology 526 The Criminal Mind: Forensic and Psychobiological Perspectives
_____ Psychology 532 Psychological Effects of the Internet
_____ Psychology 581 HONORS Depth Topics

CAPSTONE COURSE
These courses help students to develop a deeper understanding of particular areas of psychology in a seminar format. ONE course is required. Capstone courses require senior standing and completion of Psychology 225; other pre-requisites vary depending on topic. Capstone courses are small (25 - student limit), include discussion, papers, and readings from original sources. Other capstone courses not listed here may be offered periodically.

_____ Psychology 410 Psychometric Methods II
_____ Psychology 411 Current Topics (Many separate lectures and topics are offered each semester. Check the timetable for listings.)
_____ Psychology 517 Introduction to Clinical Psychology
_____ Psychology 556 Hormones and Behavior
_____ Psychology 610 Statistical Analysis of Psychological Experiments

TOTAL PSYCHOLOGY CREDITS

_____ STUDENTS MUST HAVE AT LEAST 33 CREDITS WITHIN THE PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT (excluding the Biology requirement).

ADDITIONAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR

_____ An AVERAGE GPA OF AT LEAST 2.0 in all Psychology Courses and in upper level Psychology Courses is required.

_____ TRANSFER STUDENTS: You must take at least 15 credits of upper level coursework within the Psychology Department in residence (Courses numbered 300 or above count towards these 15 credits)

_____ L&S STUDENTS: Students need 60 credits of upper level coursework (I, A, or D in the Schedule of Classes)

_____ STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS: You must have at least 15 credits in the Psychology Department ON CAMPUS.

_____ ALL STUDENTS: CHECK YOUR DARS AND MEET WITH AN ADVISOR TO ENSURE YOU ARE ON TRACK FOR A TIMELY GRADUATION!!!

QUESTIONS related to the Psychology major may be sent to: advisor@psych.wisc.edu
Any advising e-mails must be sent from your wisc.edu e-mail and include your student ID number.

TO SIGN UP FOR THE PSYCHOLOGY MAJORS LISTSERV, send a blank email to: join-psych_majors@lists.wisc.edu
NOTE: Psychology majors are required to be on this listserv.