

PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR CHECKLIST

The major requires the completion of the six categories below (Foundation, Biology, Breadth, Depth, Capstone and Electives) and a minimum of 30 credits in PSYCH coursework.

FOUNDATION

Grade of C or higher required in each course

- ☐ Introduction to Psychology, Psych 202
- ☐ Basic Statistics for Psychology, Psych 210. Accepted substitutes include: Statistics 324 or 371.
- ☐ Research Methods, Psych 225

BIO

- ☐ Biology, Zoology 101; OR Zoology 151; OR Biocore 381 & 383

BREADTH COURSES

Choose THREE courses from THREE DIFFERENT TOPIC GROUPS

BIOLOGICAL

- ☐ Psych 449: Animal Behavior
- ☐ Psych 450: Primate Psychology: Insights into Human Behavior
- ☐ Psych 454: Behavioral Neuroscience
- ☐ Psych 523: Neurobiology

COGNITIVE & PERCEPTUAL SCIENCES

- ☐ Psych 406: Psychology of Perception
- ☐ Psych 414: Cognitive Psychology

CLINICAL

- ☐ Psych 401: Psychology of Law & Social Policies
- ☐ Psych 405: Adult Psychopathology

SOCIAL & PERSONALITY

- ☐ Psych 403: Psychology of Personality
- ☐ Psych 456: Social Psychology
- ☐ Psych 522: Psychology of Women & Gender

DEVELOPMENTAL

- ☐ Psych 453: Human Sexuality
- ☐ Psych 460: Child Development
- ☐ Psych 462: Adolescent Development
- ☐ Psych 464: Adult Development & Aging

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DEPTH COURSES

Choose any TWO courses

- ☐ Psych 501: Depth Topics
- ☐ Psych 502: Cognitive Development
- ☐ Psych 503: Social Development
- ☐ Psych 505: Depth Topics in Biological Science
- ☐ Psych 507: Intro to Clinical Psychology
- ☐ Psych 508: Psychology of Human Emotions: From Biology to Culture
- ☐ Psych 510: Child Psychopathology
- ☐ Psych 513: Hormones, Brain & Behavior
- ☐ Psych 515: Animal Cognition
- ☐ Psych 526: The Criminal Mind: Forensic & Psychobiological Perspectives
- ☐ Psych 528: Cultural Psychology
- ☐ Psych 532: Psychological Effects of the Internet

CAPSTONE

Choose ONE course

- ☐ Psych 601: Current Topics
- ☐ Psych 603: Epigenetics & the Brain
- ☐ Psych 607: Introduction to Psychotherapy
- ☐ Psych 612: Neuropharmacology
- ☐ Psych 626: Issues in Prisoner Reentry

ELECTIVE

- ☐ At least 3 additional credits in PSYCH numbered 300-699.

Students may complete any additional PSYCH course(s), including courses from: the Breadth, Depth, or Capstone areas, or directed/independent study and mentored research.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- ☐ MINIMUM AVERAGE GPA OF 2.0 in all DEPT/major courses and in all upper level Psychology Courses (upper level courses numbered PSYCH 300-699).
- ☐ You must take at least 15 credits of upper level coursework within the Psychology Department, IN-RESIDENCE (upper level courses are numbered PSYCH 300-699).
- ☐ You must have at least 15 credits in the Psychology Department ON CAMPUS.