Morris Campus

Psychology B.A.

Division of Social Sciences - Adm

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- Program Type: Baccalaureate
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2015
- Required credits to graduate with this degree: 120
- Required credits within the major: 42
- Degree: Bachelor of Arts

The psychology curriculum focuses on understanding scientific methods and applying them to both human and non-human behaviors and mental processes. It provides students with methodological skills, practice in applying these skills, and an introduction to core areas of psychology. The major provides a comprehensive selection of courses that fully prepare students for a wide range of careers and graduate and professional studies.

The psychology curriculum is designed to ensure that students achieve the following goals:

Goal 1: Knowledge Base in Psychology
1.1 Understand the spectrum of psychological phenomena related to behavior and mental processes and how the environment (ranging from biological to sociocultural influences) affect both.
1.2 Obtain a knowledge of psychology's main content domains and applications.

Goal 2: Scientific Inquiry and Critical thinking
2.1 Ability to use scientific reasoning to interpret psychological phenomena.
2.2 Demonstrate psychology information literacy.
2.3 Engage in innovative and integrative thinking and problem solving.
2.4 Gain exposure to interpreting, designing, and conducting psychological research.
2.5 Attain awareness of ethical issues in psychology.

Goal 3: Communication
3.1 Demonstrate effective writing.
3.2 Exhibit effective presentation skills.
3.3 Exhibit effective discussion skills.

Goal 4: Information and Technological Literacy
4.1 Exposure to psychological statistical packages.
4.2 Ability to utilize databases related to psychology.

Program Delivery

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Admission Requirements

For information about University of Minnesota admission requirements, visit the Office of Admissions website.

General Requirements

All students are required to complete general University and college requirements. For more information, see the general education requirements.

Program Requirements

Students are required to take 2 semester(s) of any second language.

No grades below C- are allowed. Courses may not be taken S-N, unless offered S-N only.

A minimum GPA of 2.00 is required in the major to graduate. The GPA includes all, and only, University of Minnesota coursework. Grades of "F" are included in GPA calculation until they are replaced.

Required Courses

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PSY 1051 - Introduction to Psychology [SS] (4.0 cr)
PSY 2001 - Research Methods in Psychology [SS] (4.0 cr)
STAT 1601 - Introduction to Statistics [M/SR] (4.0 cr)
or STAT 2601 - Statistical Methods [M/SR] (4.0 cr)
Take at least one course from each of the following areas. One course must be a designated lab course.

Learning and Cognition
Take 1 or more course(s) from the following:
- PSY 3101 - Learning Theory and Behavior Modification (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3111 - Sensation and Perception (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3112 - Cognition (4.0 cr)

Biological and Comparative Psychology
Take 1 or more course(s) from the following:
- PSY 3201 - Comparative Psychology [SCI-L] (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3211 - Biological Psychology [SCI-L] (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3221 *{Inactive}*[SCI] (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3521 - Health Psychology (4.0 cr)

Personality and Clinical Psychology
Take 1 or more course(s) from the following:
- PSY 3302 - Personality (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3313 - Psychopathology (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3314 - Child and Adolescent Psychopathology (4.0 cr)
- PSY 4101 - Helping Relationships (4.0 cr)
- PSY 4301 - Clinical Assessment and Therapeutic Interventions (4.0 cr)

Developmental Psychology
Take 1 or more course(s) from the following:
- PSY 2411 - Lifespan Developmental Psychology [SS] (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3051 - The Psychology of Women and Gender [HDIV] (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3401 - Child Development (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3402 - Adolescent and Emerging Adult Development (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3403 - Adult Development and Aging [E/CR] (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3404 *{Inactive}*[HDIV] (4.0 cr)

Social and Applied Psychology
Take 1 or more course(s) from the following:
- PSY 3501 - Social Psychology (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3502 *{Inactive}*(4.0 cr)
- PSY 3503 - Consumer Behavior [SS] (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3504 - Educational Psychology (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3513 - Negotiation (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3542 - Multicultural Psychology [HDIV] (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3701 - Organizational Behavior [SS] (4.0 cr)

Advanced Seminar in Psychology
Take exactly 1 course(s) from the following:
- PSY 4910 - Advanced Seminar in Learning or Cognitive Psychology (4.0 cr)
- PSY 4920 - Advanced Seminar in Biological or Comparative Psychology (4.0 cr)
- PSY 4930 - Advanced Seminar in Clinical or Multicultural Psychology (4.0 cr)
- PSY 4940 - Advanced Seminar in Developmental Psychology (4.0 cr)
- PSY 4950 - Advanced Seminar in Social or Organizational Psychology (4.0 cr)
- PSY 4960 - Advanced Seminar in Health Psychology (4.0 cr)
- PSY 4970 - Advanced Seminar in Psychology (4.0 cr)

Elective Courses
Additional elective credits to total at least 42 credits in the major (including required courses). Electives may be selected from any category above (except advanced seminars), and the following:
Take 1 or more course(s) from the following:
- IS 3800 - Practicum in Social Sciences (1.0 - 2.0 cr)
- POL 3263 - Political Psychology [SS] (4.0 cr)
- PSY 2112 *{Inactive}*[SS] (4.0 cr)
- PSY 2581 - Drugs and Human Behavior [SS] (2.0 cr)
- PSY 2612 *{Inactive}*[ENVT] (4.0 cr)
- PSY 2993 - Directed Study (1.0 - 5.0 cr)
- PSY 3051 - The Psychology of Women and Gender [HDIV] (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3261 - Human Sexuality (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3315 *{Inactive}*(4.0 cr)
- PSY 3611 - History and Philosophy of Psychology [HIST] (4.0 cr)
- PSY 3800 - Research Practicum (1.0 - 12.0 cr)
- PSY 3993 - Directed Study (1.0 - 5.0 cr)

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- PSY 4102 - Intro to Prof Conduct, Legal Constraints, Ethics in Human Services [E/CR] (2.0 cr)
- PSY 4770 - Empirical Investigations in Psychology I (2.0 cr)
- PSY 4771 - Independent Research in Psychology (1.0 - 6.0 cr)
- PSY 4896 - Field Experiences in Mental Health (1.0 - 4.0 cr)
- PSY 4993 - Directed Study (1.0 - 5.0 cr)
- STAT 3601 - Data Analysis [M/SR] (4.0 cr)
- STAT 3611 - Multivariate Statistical Analysis [M/SR] (4.0 cr)

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