



PSYCHOLOGY

General Track

College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences

Program Overview

The Bachelor of Arts in Psychology combines a theoretical understanding of psychology with an applied understanding of the profession through internship and research experiences. Students select between four areas of undergraduate emphasis: General Psychology, Child and Adolescent Psychology, Addiction Prevention Specialist/Community Psychology, and Experimental Psychology. Several research opportunities are available to students who elect to participate in undergraduate scholarship. Internships in students' area of interest are available.

Career Opportunities

Psychology graduates are well-represented in social agencies and diverse business settings, including human resources, insurance, airline industry, and governmental organizations. Students who demonstrate an aptitude in empirical research during their undergraduate work can work in a variety of research foundations and institutional settings. Graduates also work with child and adolescent populations through professional work in juvenile services, child care, child and family services, adoptions, education, medicine, and mental health.

Students interested in graduate work can pursue advanced training in several areas. Students with high GPAs, good letters of recommendation, and solid GRE scores are competitive for graduate school programs in psychology, counseling, and social work. Students who gain research experiences and complete methodology courses are competitive for research-oriented and clinical graduate programs.

Majors are well-represented in law schools and medical schools. In order to compete for law or medical school programs, students must complete appropriate prelaw or pre-medicine curricula in addition to their Psychology major requirements.

Faculty

Dr. Stefanie S. Boswell, Associate Professor (Ph.D., University of Southern Mississippi)
Dr. Maria Felix-Ortiz, Associate Professor (Ph.D., University of California, Los Angeles)
Dr. Lisa Lockhart, Associate Professor and Chair (Ph.D., Kent State University)
Dr. Teresa Taylor-Partridge, Associate Professor (Ph.D., University of Texas, Austin)
Dr. Rachel Walker (Ph.D., University of Southern Mississippi)

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Freshman Year: Fall		Hrs.
DWHP 1200 or DWHP 3200 Dimensions of Wellness) and 1-hour physical activity course	3	
ENGL 1311 (or 1311L) Composition I	3	
MATH 1304 College Algebra OR MATH 2303 Introduction to Probability and Statistics	3	
PHIL 1381 Introduction to Philosophy	3	
PSYC 1301 Introduction to Psychology	3	
Total hours	15	
Sophomore Year: Fall		
PSYC 2380 Biology and Behavior	3	
PSYC 3331 Abnormal Psychology	3	
PSYC 3381 Statistics for Behavioral Science	3	
Modern Language I	3	
Minor or Elective	3	
Total hours	15	
Junior Year: Fall		
HIST Core—HIST 1311 World History OR HIST 1312 World History II	3	
PSYC 3351 Social Psychology	3	
PSYC 3385 Multicultural Issues	3	
PSYC 3472 Learning, Memory, and Cognition	4	
Minor or Elective (upper-division)	3	
Total hours	16	
Senior Year: Fall		
PSYC 4359 Directed Practicum/Internship	3	
RELS or PHIL Core: Any 3-hr upper-division REL or PHIL course	3	
Elective	9	
Total hours	15	

Freshman Year: Spring		Hrs.
ENGL 1312 Composition II	3	
Natural Science and Lab Core: BIOL 1401 Diversity of Life and Lab OR BIOL 1402 Unity of Life and Lab OR BIOL 2321/2121 Anatomy and Physiology and Lab	4	
PSYC 2310 Critical Thinking / Writing in Psychology	3	
PSYC 2370 Child & Adolescent Development	3	
RELS 1305, 1315, 1325, 1335 or 1327H	3	
Total hours	16	
Sophomore Year: Spring		
ENGL 2310 World Literature Studies	3	
Modern Language II	3	
PSYC 3353 Personality	3	
PSYC 3384 Research Methods	3	
Elective	3	
Total hours	15	
Junior Year: Spring		
Fine Arts Core	3	
PSYC Elective	6	
Minor or Elective	3	
Minor or Elective (upper-division)	3	
Total hours	15	
Senior Year: Spring		
PSYC 4331 History of Psychology	3	
PSYC Elective (upper-division)	3	
Elective (NOTE: Student may take 7-9 hours to complete this portion of the degree plan)	9	
Total hours	15	

Core Curriculum - Total Hours	43
Major - Total Hours	82
Degree - Total Hours	122

*Minor is required