

# Psychology

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 Department of Psychology  
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## B.A., B.S. Degrees

Minimum Requirements for Degrees: 120 credits

The Department of Psychology offers B.A. and B.S. degrees in psychology. The department's focus is to provide breadth and depth in the science and profession of psychology with a commitment to honoring diversity and promoting human welfare. The curriculum develops cross-cultural knowledge, critical thinking, imagination, creativity, ethical principles, concern for social justice, as well as respect for and knowledge of diverse perspectives that include feminist, multicultural, indigenous, and gay and lesbian.

In addition to active engagement in the classroom, students participate in research and community service. Programs in psychology facilitate an understanding of the human experience as an interaction of biological, psychological, social and cultural processes.

Graduates of the undergraduate program in psychology have been successful in gaining entrance to graduate school in a variety of fields including psychology, medicine, business and law. Graduation with an undergraduate psychology degree has allowed students to become employed in a variety of entry-level human services and business positions.

The Alaska Natives into Psychology (ANPsych) program helps train Alaska Natives and American Indians as psychologists or other behavioral health professionals to address the significant shortage of these professionals in Alaska, particularly rural Alaska. ANPsych supports native communities in building wellness in their villages. The ANPsych program is housed in the departments of Psychology at UAF and UAA and serves as a training pipeline to provide social, financial and academic support for students and behavioral health paraprofessionals who wish to continue their education. The program strives to attract Native high school and undergraduate students seeking a degree in psychology. In addition, a select group of Native students receive similar support for advanced training in psychology at the graduate level through the UAF M.A. program in community psychology and the UAA M.S. program in clinical psychology.

## Major—B.A. or B.S. Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 106).
2. Complete the B.A. or B.S. degree requirements (page 109 or 112).
3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:\*
  - a. Complete the following:
    - PSY 101—Introduction to Psychology..... 3
    - PSY 275—Introduction to Social Science Research Methods..... 3
    - PSY 485—Senior Seminar ..... 3
  - b. Complete 1 course from each of the following specialized areas:

### Research

- PSY/SOC 250—Introductory Statistics for Behavioral Sciences..... 3
- PSY 475W—Research Design and Analysis in Psychology ..... 3
- PSY/SOC 480W—Qualitative Social Science Research ..... 3

### Biological Perspectives

- PSY 335—Physiological Psychology ..... 3
- PSY/SOC 370—Drugs and Drug Dependence..... 3

PSY 470—Sensation and Perception ..... 3

### Social Perspectives

- PSY/SOC 330—Social Psychology..... 3
- PSY 390W,O—Industrial and Organizational Psychology ..... 3

### Psychological Perspectives

- PSY 304—Personality ..... 3
- PSY 345—Abnormal Psychology ..... 3
- PSY 440—Learning and Cognition ..... 3

### Multicultural/Diversity

- PSY 310O—Cross-Cultural Psychology ..... 3
- PSY/SOC 333/WMS 332—Human Sexuality Across Cultures ..... 3
- PSY/WMS 360O—Psychology of Women Across Cultures..... 3
- PSY 444—Advanced Multicultural Lifespan Development..... 3

c. Complete 12 additional credits from the following (you may also choose from the courses listed in the specialized areas above):

- PSY 240—Lifespan Developmental Psychology ..... 3
- PSY 320—History and Systems of Psychology..... 3
- PSY 337W—Sport Psychology ..... 3
- PSY 350—Comparative Psychology ..... 3
- PSY 380—Environmental Psychology..... 3
- PSY/BA 436—Consumer Behavior ..... 3
- PSY 455—Clinical Psychology ..... 3
- PSY 469—Health Psychology..... 3
- PSY 393/493—Special Topics ..... 3

d. Complete 1 community service course.\*\*

2. Minimum credits required ..... 120

\* Student must earn a C grade or better in each course.

\*\* Community service courses: PSY 310, 345, 445 and 470.

Note: Student may not count more than 6 hours of any combination of PSY 497 and 498 toward the degree.

Note: Student may apply an unlimited number of PSY 392/492 and PSY 393/493 toward the degree provided the topics are different for each course.

## Minor

1. Complete the following:
  - PSY 101—Introduction to Psychology..... 3
  - PSY electives..... 12
2. Minimum credits required ..... 15

**Note: Page numbers refer to the UAF 2004-2005 academic catalog, which can be viewed online at [www.uaf.edu/catalog/](http://www.uaf.edu/catalog/).**

## General University Requirements

All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses.  
Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

### COMMUNICATIONS (9)

Complete the following:

ENGL 111X.....	(3)	_____
ENGL 211X OR 213X.....	(3)	_____
COMM 131X OR 141X.....	(3)	_____

### LIBRARY & INFORMATION SKILLS (0-1)

Complete the following:

LS 100X OR 101X.....	(0-1)	_____
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OR Successful completion of library skills competency test.

### PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18)

Complete either the following six courses:

ANTH 100X OR SOC 100X.....	(3)	_____
ECON/PS 100X.....	(3)	_____
HIST 100X.....	(3)	_____
ART/MUS/THR 200X, HUM 201X OR ANS 202X.....	(3)	_____
ENGL/FL 200X.....	(3)	_____
PHIL 322X, NRM 303X, COMM 300X, PS 300X OR JUST 300X.....	(3)	_____

OR Complete 12 cr from the above list **PLUS** two semester-length courses in a single non-English or Alaska Native language at the university level OR three semester-length courses (9 cr) in American Sign Language.

### MATHEMATICS (3-4)

Complete 3-4 credits from the following:

MATH 107X.....	(3)	_____
OR MATH 131X (except for BBA).....	(3)	_____
OR MATH 161X.....	(3)	_____
MATH 200X.....	(4)	_____
MATH 201X.....	(4)	_____
MATH 202X.....	(4)	_____
MATH 262X.....	(4)	_____
MATH 272X.....	(3)	_____

NOTE: Additional 3 cr of math needed for degree requirements.

### NATURAL SCIENCES (8)

Complete 8 credits from the following:

ATM 101X.....	(4)	_____
BIOL 103X OR 104X.....	(4)	_____
BIOL 105X-106X.....	(8)	_____
BIOL 111X-112X.....	(8)	_____
CHEM 100X.....	(4)	_____
CHEM 103X-104X.....	(8)	_____
CHEM 105X-106X.....	(8)	_____
GEOG 205X.....	(4)	_____
GEOS 100X OR 120X OR 125X.....	(4)	_____
GEOS 101X-112X.....	(8)	_____
MSL 111X.....	(4)	_____
PHYS 102X OR 175X.....	(4)	_____
PHYS 103X-104X.....	(8)	_____
PHYS 211X-212X.....	(8)	_____
PHYS 211X-213X.....	(8)	_____
PHYS 212X-213X.....	(8)	_____