

Psychology

College of Liberal Arts
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 and concern for social justice, as well as respect for and knowledge of diverse points of view that include feminist, multicultural, indigenous, and gay and lesbian perspectives.

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 psychology departments 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.

Major—B.A. or B.S. Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 116).
2. Complete the B.A. or B.S. degree requirements (page 120 or 121).
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 one course from each of the following specialized areas:

Research

- PSY/SOC 250—Introductory Statistics for Behavioral Sciences..... 3
- PSY/SOC 480W—Qualitative Social Science Research 3
- STAT 200X—Elementary Probability and Statistics 3

Biological Perspectives

- PSY 335—Physiological Psychology 3
- PSY 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
- PSY 445W—Community Psychology 3

Psychological Perspectives

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

Multicultural/Diversity

- PSY 3100—Cross-Cultural Psychology 3
- PSY/SOC 333/WMS 332—Human Sexualities Across Cultures..... 3
- PSY/WMS 360O—Psychology of Women Across Cultures..... 3

- c. Complete 12 additional PSY credits (you may also choose from the courses listed in the specialized areas above).
 - d. Complete one community service course.**
4. 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 credits 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 credits 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

Baccalaureate Core Requirements

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

COMMUNICATION (9)

Complete the following:

ENGL 111X (3) _____
ENGL 190H may be substituted.

Complete one of the following:

ENGL 211X OR ENGL 213X (3) _____

Complete one of the following:

COMM 131X OR COMM 141X (3) _____

PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18)

Complete all of the following four courses:

ANTH 100X/SOC 100X (3) _____
ECON 100X OR PS 100X (3) _____
HIST 100X (3) _____
ENGL/FL 200X (3) _____

Complete one of the following three courses:

ART/MUS/THR 200X, HUM 201X OR ANS 202X (3) _____

Complete one of the following six courses:

BA 323X, COMM 300X, JUST 300X, NRM 303X,
PS 300X OR PHIL 322X (3) _____

OR complete 12 credits from the above courses PLUS

- two semester-length courses in a single Alaska Native language or other non-English language OR
- three semester-length courses (9 credits) in American Sign Language taken at the university level.

MATHEMATICS (3)

Complete one of the following:

MATH 103X, MATH 107X, MATH 161X OR STAT 200X (3-4) _____
* No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH 107X or 161X.

OR complete one of the following*:

MATH 200X, MATH 201X, MATH 202X,
MATH 262X OR MATH 272X (4) _____

*Or any math course having one of these as a prerequisite

NATURAL SCIENCES (8)

Complete any two (4-credit) courses:

ATM 101X (4) _____
BIOL 100X (4) _____
BIOL 103X (4) _____
BIOL 104X (4) _____
BIOL 105X (4) _____
BIOL 106X (4) _____
BIOL 111X (4) _____
BIOL 112X (4) _____
CHEM 100X (4) _____
CHEM 103X (4) _____
CHEM 104X (4) _____
CHEM 105X (4) _____
CHEM 106X (4) _____
GEOG 205X (4) _____
GEOS 100X (4) _____
GEOS 101X (4) _____
GEOS 112X (4) _____
GEOS 120X (4) _____
GEOS 125X (4) _____
MSL 111X (4) _____
PHYS 102X (4) _____
PHYS 103X (4) _____
PHYS 104X (4) _____
PHYS 115X (4) _____
PHYS 116X (4) _____
PHYS 175X (4) _____
PHYS 211X (4) _____
PHYS 212X (4) _____
PHYS 213X (4) _____

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION RESEARCH (0-1)

Successful completion of library skills competency test OR

LS 100X or 101X prior to junior standing (0-1) _____

UPPER-DIVISION WRITING AND ORAL COMMUNICATION (0)

Complete the following:

Two writing intensive courses designated (W) (0) _____
One oral communication intensive course designated (O) (0) _____
OR two oral communication intensive courses designated (O/2), at the upper-division level (see degree and/or major requirements) (0) _____

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED 38-39