

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 124).
2. Complete the B.A. or B.S. degree requirements (page 128 or page 129).
3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:*

a. Complete the following:

PSY F101—Introduction to Psychology	3
PSY F275—Introduction to Social Science Research	
Methods	3
PSY F485—Senior Seminar.....	3

b. Complete one course from each of the following specialized areas:

Research

PSY/SOC F250—Introductory Statistics for	
Behavioral Sciences.....	3
PSY/SOC F480W—Qualitative Social Science Research.....	3
STAT F200X—Elementary Probability and Statistics	3

Biological Perspectives

PSY F335—Physiological Psychology	3
PSY F370—Drugs and Drug Dependence	3
PSY F470—Sensation and Perception	3

Social Perspectives

PSY/SOC F330—Social Psychology.....	3
PSY F390W,O—Industrial and Organizational Psychology	3
PSY F445W—Community Psychology.....	3

Psychological Perspectives

PSY F304—Personality	3
PSY F345—Abnormal Psychology.....	3
PSY F440—Learning and Cognition	3

Multicultural/Diversity

PSY F310O—Cross-Cultural Psychology	3
PSY/SOC F333/WMS F332—Human Sexualities Across Cultures	3
PSY/WMS F360O—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 required120

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

** Community service courses: PSY F310, F345, F445 and F470.

Note: Student may not count more than 6 credits of any combination of PSY F497 and F498 toward the degree.

Note: Student may apply an unlimited number of PSY F392/F492 and PSY F393/F493 credits toward the degree provided the topics are different for each course.

Minor

1. Complete the following:

PSY F101—Introduction to Psychology	3
PSY electives	12
2. Minimum credits required15

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 F111X (3) _____
ENGL F190H may be substituted.

Complete one of the following:

ENGL F211X OR ENGL F213X (3) _____

Complete one of the following:

COMM F131X OR COMM F141X (3) _____

PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18)

Complete all of the following four courses:

ANTH F100X/SOC F100X (3) _____
ECON F100X OR PS F100X (3) _____
HIST F100X (3) _____
ENGL/FL F200X (3) _____

Complete one of the following three courses:

ART/MUS/THR F200X, HUM F201X OR ANS F202X (3) _____

Complete one of the following six courses:

BA F323X, COMM F300X, JUST F300X, NRM F303X,
PS F300X OR PHIL F322X (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 F103X, MATH F107X, MATH F161X OR
STAT F200X (3 – 4) _____
* No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH F107X or F161X.

OR complete one of the following:

MATH F200X, MATH F201X, MATH F202X,
MATH F262X OR MATH F272X (4) _____

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

NATURAL SCIENCES (8)

Complete any two (4-credit) courses:

ATM F101X (4) _____
BIOL F100X (4) _____
BIOL F103X (4) _____
BIOL F104X (4) _____
BIOL F111X (4) _____
BIOL F112X (4) _____
BIOL F115X (4) _____
BIOL F116X (4) _____
CHEM F100X (4) _____
CHEM F103X (4) _____
CHEM F104X (4) _____
CHEM F105X (4) _____
CHEM F106X (4) _____
GEOG F205X (4) _____
GEOS F100X (4) _____
GEOS F101X (4) _____
GEOS F112X (4) _____
GEOS F120X (4) _____
GEOS F125X (4) _____
MSL F111X (4) _____
PHYS F102X (4) _____
PHYS F103X (4) _____
PHYS F104X (4) _____
PHYS F115X (4) _____
PHYS F116X (4) _____
PHYS F175X (4) _____
PHYS F211X (4) _____
PHYS F212X (4) _____
PHYS F213X (4) _____

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION RESEARCH (0 – 1)

Successful completion of library skills competency test OR
LS F100X or F101X 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