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 131).
2. Complete the B.A. or B.S. degree requirements (page 135 or page 136).
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 F443W—Community Psychology .........................3

      Psychological Perspectives
      PSY F304—Personality .............................................3
      PSY F345—Abnormal Psychology ..............................3
      PSY F440—Learning and Cognition ..........................3
      PSY F470—Sensation and Perception ..........................3
      PSY F445W—Community Psychology .........................3
      PSY/SOC F480W—Qualitative Social Science Research ....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 required ............................................120

** 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 required ...........................................15
All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses. Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

**Baccalaureate Core 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)

**MATHMATICS (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 MATH 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)
- CHEM F107X .....................................................(4)
- GEOG F111X .....................................................(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 F117X .....................................................(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)

and 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)

**CORE CREDITS REQUIRED ........................................ 38 – 39**

Minimum credits required for degree ................. 120