

PSYCHOLOGICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES, B.S.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Abington

Suggested Academic Plan

The suggested academic plan(s) listed on this page are the plan(s) that are in effect during the 2021-22 academic year. To access previous years' suggested academic plans, please visit the archive (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/archive/>) to view the appropriate Undergraduate Bulletin edition (*Note: the archive only contain suggested academic plans beginning with the 2018-19 edition of the Undergraduate Bulletin*).

Psychological and Social Sciences, B.S. at Abington Campus

The course series listed below provides **only one** of the many possible ways to move through this curriculum. The University may make changes in policies, procedures, educational offerings, and requirements at any time. This plan should be used in conjunction with your degree audit (accessible in LionPATH as either an **Academic Requirements** or **What If** report). Please consult with a Penn State academic adviser on a regular basis to develop and refine an academic plan that is appropriate for you.

First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15 or 30H*	3 PSYCH 212 or HDFS 129*	3
PSYCH 100*	3 BIOL 110 or 141 <i>and</i> 142*†	4
MATH 110	4 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
	16	16

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
PSYCH 200*	4 PSYCH 301W*	4
ANTH 45N*	3 ENGL 202A	3
SOC 1 or 5*	3 General Education Course	3
Humanities (GH) (US;IL)	3 General Education Course	3
CAS 100A or 100B	3 General Education Course	3
	16	16

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Elective	3 HDFS 301*	3
SOC 471*	3 Elective	3
General Education	3 Elective	3
Major Selection any level* ¹	3 Major Selection any level* ¹	3
Elective	3 Major Selection 400 level* ¹	3
	15	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
XXX 494 Senior Thesis 1*	3 XXX 495 Internship*	3
Major Selection 400 level* ¹	3 Major Selection 400 level* ¹	3

Major Selection 400 level* ¹	3 XXX 494 Senior Thesis 2*	3
Major Selection any level* ¹	3 Elective	3
Elective (US/IL)	3	
	15	12

Total Credits 121

University Requirements and General Education Notes:

US and IL are abbreviations used to designate courses that satisfy University Requirements (United States and International Cultures).

W, M, X, and Y are the suffixes at the end of a course number used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.

GWS, GQ, GHW, GN, GA, GH, and GS are abbreviations used to identify General Education program courses. General Education includes Foundations (GWS and GQ) and Knowledge Domains (GHW, GN, GA, GH, GS, and Integrative Studies). Foundations courses (GWS and GQ) require a grade of 'C' or better.

Integrative Studies courses are required for the General Education program. N is the suffix at the end of a course number used to designate an Inter-Domain course and Z is the suffix at the end of a course number used to designate a Linked course.

¹ At least 12 of 21 required major selection credits must be at the 400 level.

6-15 credits of major courses are required in courses designated PSYCH and/or HDFS.

6-15 credits of major courses are required in courses designated SOC and/or ANTH.

0-9 credits of major courses are required in courses designated other Social Sciences from the approved PSS program list.

Advising Notes

PSYCH and/or HD FS courses for Major Requirements:

PSYCH 221, 281, 407, 412, 415, 416, 420, 422, 423, 424, 426, 438, 441, 470, 478, 479, 481, 484, 485, 496B, 497, HD FS 220, 239, 249, 250, 315, 432, 433, 445, 468

SOC and/or ANTH courses for Major Requirements:

SOC 003, 030, 035, 103, 109, 110, 309, 403, 405, 406, 409, 416, 429, 430, 455, 456, 462, 497, ANTH 002, 011, 022, 040, 146, 197, 199, 216, 321W, 380, 395, 448, 464

Other Social Sciences courses for Major Requirements:

BBH 302, 315, CAS 352, 415, 455, CN ED 404, 407, ED PSY 014, COMM 100, 120, 411, WMNST 471

Courses cross-listed with the above may be petitioned to meet the 400-level requirement.