PSYCHOLOGY, B.S. (CAPITAL)

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus
End Campus: Harrisburg

Degree Requirements
For the Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology, a minimum of 122 credits is required:

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6 of the 45 credits for General Education are included in the Requirements for the Major. This includes: 3 credits of GWS courses; 3 credits of GN courses.

Requirements for the Major
To graduate, a student enrolled in the major must earn a grade of C or better in each course designated by the major as a C-required course, as specified by Senate Policy 82-44 (https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#82-44).

Code  Title                                           Credits
Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better
ENGL 202A  Effective Writing: Writing in the Social Sciences  3
PSYCH 100  Introductory Psychology                     3
PSYCH 301W  Basic Research Methods in Psychology      4

Additional Courses: Require a grade of C or better
Select 3 credits from the following:                     3
  BIOL 141  Introduction to Human Physiology
  BIOL 161  Human Anatomy and Physiology I - Lecture
  BISC 4   Human Body: Form and Function
(At least 15 credits of the following courses must be at the 400 level.)
Select 4 credits from the following:                     4
  Category 1 (Statistics)
  PSYCH 200  Elementary Statistics in Psychology
  or STAT 200  Elementary Statistics
Select 6 credits from two different developmental categories (3 credits each category):  6
  Category 2a (Lifespan)
  PSYCH 212  Introduction to Developmental Psychology
  Category 2b (Adult)
  PSYCH 416/  Development Throughout Adulthood
  HDFS 445
  Category 2c (Child)
  PSYCH 410  Child Development
  Category 2d (Adolescence)
  PSYCH 412  Adolescence
Select 6 credits from two different individual difference categories (3 credits each category):  6
  Category 3a (Social Psychology)
  PSYCH 221  Introduction to Social Psychology
  or PSYCH 420  Advanced Social Psychology
  Category 3b (Personality Psychology)
  PSYCH 238  Introduction to Personality Psychology
  or PSYCH 430  Personality Theory
  Category 3c (Personal Adjustment)
  PSYCH 243  Introduction to Well-being and Positive Psychology
  or PSYCH 470  Psychology of Adjustment and Social Relationships
  Category 3d (Health Psychology)
  PSYCH 441  Health Psychology
Select 6 credits from two different clinical categories (3 credits each category):  6
  Category 4a (Physical Disabilities)
  PSYCH 370  Psychology of the Differently-Abled
  Category 4b (Childhood Disorders)
  PSYCH 476  Child Psychopathology
  Category 4c (Abnormal Psychology)
  PSYCH 270  Introduction to Abnormal Psychology
  or PSYCH 470  Abnormal Psychology
  Category 4d (Behavior Modification)
  PSYCH 473  Behavior Modification
  Category 4e (Developmental Disabilities)
  PSYCH 443  Treatment and Education in Developmental Disabilities
Select 6 credits from two different experimental categories (3 credits in each category):  6
  Category 5a (Physiological Psychology)
  PSYCH 260/  Neurological Bases of Human Behavior
  BBH 203
  or PSYCH 460  Physiological Psychology
  Category 5b (Cognitive Psychology)
  PSYCH 256  Introduction to Cognitive Psychology
  or PSYCH 450  Learning and Memory
  or PSYCH 455  Advanced Cognitive Psychology
  Category 5c (Learning Theory)
  PSYCH 261  Introduction to Psychology of Learning
  or PSYCH 460  Advanced Conditioning and Learning
Select 3 credits from applications in psychology:  3
  Category 6 (Applied Experience)
  PSYCH 395  Internship
  or PSYCH 490  Research Projects
  or PSYCH 491  Internship
Select 12 credits of any PSYCH courses not used above, with the exception that only one course selected from any Category 1 through 5 will count for the major

Supporting Courses and Related Areas
Select 6 credits from the following:  6
  AAAS, AMST, ARAB, ART, ARTH, BRASS, CART, CMUS, CAMS, CAS, CHNS, CMILIT, COMM, DANCE, ELISH, ENGL, ENLISH, FR, GER, GREEK, HCOM, HEBR, HIST, HUM, IHUM, INART, IT, JST, JAPNS, KOR, LATIN, LING, LIT, MEDVL, MUSIC, PHI, PHILO, PHLOS, PORT, RLST, RUS, SPST, SPAN, STS, THEA, THTRE
| WMNST/AFAM 101N | African American Women |
| WMNST/AFAM 102 | Women of the African Diaspora |
| WMNST/AMST 104 | Women and the American Experience |
| WMNST 106N | Representing Women and Gender in Literature, Art and Popular Cultures |
| WMNST/HIST 117 | Women in United States History |
| WMNST/RLST 137 | Gender, Sexuality, and Religion |
| WMNST/ENGL 194 | Women Writers |
| WMNST/COMM 205 | Gender, Diversity and the Media |
| WMNST/FR 270 | Race and Gender in Literature Translated from French |
| WMNST/THEA 407W | Women and Theatre |
| WMNST 430 | Women in American Society |
| WMNST/PHIL 438 | Seminar in Feminist Philosophy |
| WMNST/CAS 455 | Topics in Gender and Communication |
| WMNST/ENGL 462 | Reading Black, Reading Feminist |
| WMNST/HIST 466 | Lesbian and Gay History |
| WMNST/ENGL 489 | British Women Writers |
| WMNST/ENGL 490 | Women Writers and Their Worlds |
| WMNST 491/AMST 476/ENGL 492 | American Women Writers |

Select 12 credits of the following:

- WMNST 100 Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies
- WMNST/AFRAM/SOC 103 Racism and Sexism
- WMNST/SOC 110 Sociology of Gender
- WMNST/HIST 116N Family and Gender Roles in Modern History
- WMNST/LHR/AFAM 136 Race, Gender, and Employment
- WMNST/AFR 202N Women, Gender, and Feminisms in Africa
- WMNST/HDFS 250 Sexual Identity over the Life Span
- WMNST/CRIMJ/CRIM 423 Sexual and Domestic Violence
- WMNST/PLSC 428 Gender and Politics
- WMNST/BBH/NURS 452 Women and the Criminal Justice System
- WMNST/SOC 456 Gender, Occupations, and Professions
- WMNST/BESC 464 Feminine/Masculine
- WMNST 471/PSYCH 479 The Psychology of Gender
- WMNST/ANTH 476W Anthropology of Gender

**General Education**

Connecting career and curiosity, the General Education curriculum provides the opportunity for students to acquire transferable skills necessary to be successful in the future and to thrive while living in interconnected contexts. General Education aims to develop intellectual curiosity, a strengthened ability to think, and a deeper sense of aesthetic appreciation. These are requirements for all baccalaureate students and often partially incorporated into the requirements of a program. For additional information, see the General Education Requirements section of the Bulletin and consult your academic adviser.

The keystone symbol appears next to the title of any course that is designated as a General Education course. Program requirements may also satisfy General Education requirements and vary for each program.

**Foundations** (grade of C or better is required and Inter-Domain courses do not meet this requirement.)

- Quantification (GQ): 6 credits
- Writing and Speaking (GWS): 9 credits

**Breadth in the Knowledge Domains** (Inter-Domain courses do not meet this requirement.)

- Arts (GA): 3 credits
- Health and Wellness (GHW): 3 credits
- Humanities (GH): 3 credits
- Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS): 3 credits
- Natural Sciences (GN): 3 credits

**Integrative Studies**

- Inter-Domain Courses (Inter-Domain): 6 credits

**Exploration**

- GN, may be completed with Inter-Domain courses: 3 credits
- GA, GH, GN, GS, Inter-Domain courses. This may include 3 credits of World Language course work beyond the 12th credit level or the requirements for the student's degree program, whichever is higher: 6 credits
University Degree Requirements

First Year Engagement
All students enrolled in a college or the Division of Undergraduate Studies at University Park, and the World Campus are required to take 1 to 3 credits of the First-Year Seminar, as specified by their college First-Year Engagement Plan.

Other Penn State colleges and campuses may require the First-Year Seminar; colleges and campuses that do not require a First-Year Seminar provide students with a first-year engagement experience.

First-year baccalaureate students entering Penn State should consult their academic adviser for these requirements.

Cultures Requirement
6 credits are required and may satisfy other requirements

• United States Cultures: 3 credits
• International Cultures: 3 credits

Writing Across the Curriculum
3 credits required from the college of graduation and likely prescribed as part of major requirements.

Total Minimum Credits
A minimum of 120 degree credits must be earned for a baccalaureate degree. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 credits. Students should consult with their college or department adviser for information on specific credit requirements.

Quality of Work
Candidates must complete the degree requirements for their major and earn at least a 2.00 grade-point average for all courses completed within their degree program.

Limitations on Source and Time for Credit Acquisition
The college dean or campus chancellor and program faculty may require up to 24 credits of course work in the major to be taken at the location or in the college or program where the degree is earned. Credit used toward degree programs may need to be earned from a particular source or within time constraints (see Senate Policy 83-80 (https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#83-80)). For more information, check the Suggested Academic Plan for your intended program.