

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCES
Psychology Major Checklist

NAME _____	USD ID# _____	Expected Graduation Date _____ (Mo/Yr)
Preparation for the Major		
Introductory	PSYC 101 – Introductory Psychology	
Research Methods	PSYC 230 – Research Methods in Psychology	
Statistics	PSYC 260 - Statistics	
MATH 130 is strongly recommended. BIOL 104, BIOL 106, or BIOL 114 are recommended to satisfy the core life sciences requirement.		
Psychology Major		
A minimum of 28 units of upper division coursework in psychology distributed as follows: [Prerequisites are listed in brackets]		
Biological	PSYC 342 – Biological Psychology [Psyc 101, 230]	
Clinical *select at least one of these courses	PSYC 354 – Behavior Disorders of Childhood [Psyc 101] 355 – Abnormal Psychology [Psyc 101] 356 – Psychological Assessment [Psyc 101, 230, 260] 357 – Health Psychology [Psyc 101, 230] – also counts as Advanced Integration 359 – Health Psychology of Women and Ethnic Groups [Psyc 101] – also counts for DISJ Domestic Level 2 466 – Methods of Evidence-Based Psychotherapy [Psyc 101]	
Cognitive *select at least one of these courses	PSYC 332 – Learning and Behavior [Psyc 101, 230] 336 – Cognitive Psychology [Psyc 101, 230, 260]	
Developmental *select at least one of these courses	PSYC 314 - Dev Psychology: Childhood and Adolescence [Psyc 101] 316 - Dev Psychology: Adulthood and Aging [Psyc 101] 318 - Child Development Across Cultures [Psyc 101]	
Social *select at least one of these courses	PSYC 322 – Social Psychology [Psyc 101] 324 – Cross-Cultural Psychology [Psyc 101, 230]	
Advance Research Methods Capstone *select at least one of these courses (fulfills Core Attributes: Advanced Writing Competency, Oral Communication)	*Please note: All Advanced Research Methods Capstones require FYW 150 (or Engl 121) and Psyc 101, 230, 260 plus additional prerequisites within brackets listed below: Advanced Research Methods Capstone options: PSYC 470 – Animal Behavior Capstone [Psyc 344, can be concurrent] PSYC 471 – Clinical Psychology Capstone [Psyc 354 or 355, can be concurrent] PSYC 472 – Cognitive Psychology Capstone [Psyc 336] PSYC 473 – Developmental Psychology Capstone [Psyc 314 or 316 or 318] PSYC 474 – Health Psychology Capstone [Psy 357] PSYC 475 – Conditioning and Learning Capstone [Psyc 332, can be concurrent] PSYC 476 – Social Psychology Capstone [Psyc 322]	

At least 9 units of UD Psych Elective	Choose from any of the above or from the following list: PSYC 305 – Advanced Statistics [Psyc 260] PSYC 326 – Organizational/Industrial Psychology [Psyc 101] PSYC 328 – Stereotyping, Prejudice, and Discrimination PSYC 330 – Psychology of Gender [Psyc 101, 230] PSYC 344 – Animal Behavior [spring only, Psyc 101, 230] PSYC 346 – Evolutionary Psychology [Psyc 101] PSYC 347 – Behavior Genetics [Psyc 101] PSYC 364 – Sport Psychology [Psyc 101] PSYC 372 – History and Systems of Psychology [Psyc 101] PSYC 374 – Psychology and the Law [Psyc 101] PSYC 377 – Theories of Personality [Psyc 101] PSYC 378 – Explorations in Human Sexuality – also counts for Advanced Integration and DISJ Domestic Level 2 PSYC 414 – Social-Emotional Development [Psyc 314 or 316 or 318] PSYC 490 – Pre-Health Internship (instructor approval required) PSYC 494 – Special Topics (check schedule for listings) PSYC 496 – Research Experience PSYC 498 – Internship in Psychology PSYC 499 – Independent Study NEUR 310 – Behavioral Neuroscience [Biol 190, 225, 225L; Psyc 101, 230, 342] NEUR 372 – Clinical Neuroscience [Psyc 342] NEUR 494 – Special Topics (check schedule for listings) MFTS 365 – Current Approaches to Peer Assistance	
Note: A maximum of 4 units from any combination PSYC 490, 496, 498, & 499 can be applied toward psychology elective units in the major; 6 units may count toward graduation. A maximum of 2 units of 496 is allowed per semester; 496 can be repeated for a maximum of 4 units.		
Attendance at one of several available administrations (0 unit credit)	PSYC 492 - Major Field Test (enrollment during last semester) NOTE: As part of the department’s evaluation of its majors, each graduating senior is required to take an assessment (PSYC 492).	

A minimum grade of C– in the 28 units of upper division course work in psychology used to complete the requirements for major, and a minimum GPA of 2.00 in all upper division course work in psychology are required.

Note: Transfer students who wish to graduate as psychology majors must complete a minimum of 12 upper-division units in the Department of Psychological Sciences.

For students interested in graduate school, taking additional courses beyond those required for the major is often necessary (including additional laboratories, field experience, advanced statistics, and research experience).

Recommended Program of Study

The recommended program of study is intended as a guide to students in planning their college program. It is not expected that students will adhere rigidly to the sequence of suggested courses. For example, a student may take ENGL 121 in the second semester of the freshman year equally as well as in the first semester.

Year 1 (Fall)	Year 1 (Spring)	Year 2 (Fall)	Year 2 (Spring)
Psyc 101 FYW 150 Math 115 or 130 Core (6)	Biol 104 or 114 Psyc 230 Core (9)	Psyc 260 Core (12)	UD Psyc (6) Core or Electives (9)
Year 3 (Fall)	Year 3 (Spring)	Year 4 (Fall)	Year 4 (Spring)
UD Psyc (6) Core or Electives (9)	UD Psyc (6) Core or Electives (9)	UD Psyc (3) Psyc Capstone (4) Core or Electives (9)	UD Psyc (6) Core or Electives (9)

*Numbers in parentheses are the number of units that should be taken within each designation. Thus, UD Psyc (6) is an indication to enroll in 6 units of upper-division psychology credit.