

Psychology Department Curriculum Sheet

REQUIRED COURSES FOR MAJOR	CREDITS
*M105Q, M121Q, STAT 216Q or MPLEX Level 4+	3
*PSYX 100IS Introduction to Psychology	4
*PSYX 222 Psychological Statistics	4
*PSYX 225 Research Design and Analysis	3
PSYX 490R Research or PSYX 495 Field Practicum	3
PSYX 499R Senior Thesis	3

REQUIRED COURSE INFORMATION
Courses under the "Required Courses for Major" section must be completed consecutively . PSYX 100IS must be taken before entry is allowed into other PSYX courses. The math requirement must be met before taking PSYX 222; PSYX 222 must be taken before PSYX 225. PSYX 225 must be taken before PSYX 490/495; PSYX 490/495 must be taken before PSYX 499.

COURSE BUCKETS (Take at least one of each)

BIOLOGICAL/EMOTION/MOTIVATION/LEARNING		
CREDITS	COURSE NAME	PREREQUISITES
3	PSYX 350 Physiological Psychology	PSYX 100IS
3	PSYX 370 Psychology of Learning	PSYX 100IS
3	PSYX 383 Health Psychology	PSYX 100IS

COGNITIVE		
CREDITS	COURSE NAME	PREREQUISITES
3	PSYX 354 Sensation and Perception	PSYX 100IS (350 recommended**)
3	PSYX 380 Memory and Cognition	PSYX 100IS
3	PSYX 384 Consciousness	PSYX 100IS (350 recommended**)
3	PSYX 481 Judgment and Decision Making	PSYX 100IS (380 recommended**)

SOCIAL/PERSONALITY		
CREDITS	COURSE NAME	PREREQUISITES
3	PSYX 360 Social Psychology	PSYX 100IS
3	PSYX 385 Psychology of Personality	PSYX 100IS
3	PSYX 462 Psychology of Prejudice	PSYX 100IS
3	PSYX 463 Social Cognition	PSYX 100IS

DEVELOPMENTAL/PSYCHOPATHOLOGY		
CREDITS	COURSE NAME	PREREQUISITES
3	PSYX 230 Developmental Psychology	PSYX 100IS preferred**
3	PSYX 333 Psychology of Aging	PSYX 100IS
3	PSYX 340 Abnormal Psychology	PSYX 100IS preferred**

OTHER COURSE ELECTIVES

Choose at least four of the following courses (12 credits). Courses listed in the buckets to the left are also available. **Indicates course is preferred or recommended as a prerequisite but not required.

ELECTIVES		
CREDITS	COURSE NAME	PREREQUISITES
3	PSYX 235D Contemp. Issues in Human Sexuality	PSYX 100IS preferred**
3	PSYX 263CS Psychology of Film	W & US CORE
3	PSYX 274 Psychological Measurement	PSYX 225
3	PSYX 325 Applied Critical Thinking	PSYX 100IS and Q CORE
3	PSYX 335 Psychology of Gender	PSYX 100IS
3	PSYX 358 Drugs and Behavior	PSYX 100IS
3	PSYX 375 Behavior Modification	PSYX 100IS (370 preferred**)
3	PSYX 382 Forensic Psychology	PSYX 100IS
3	PSYX 400 History & System in Psychology	PSYX 100IS
3	PSYX 443 Collective Memory	PSYX 100IS (380 recommended**)
3	PSYX 461 Industrial & Organizational Psych	PSYX 100IS
3	PSYX 475 Advanced Behavioral Analysis	PSYX 100IS (375 preferred**)
3	PSYX 477 Sci. of Psychological Wellbeing	PSYX 100IS
3	PSYX 482 Psycholinguistics	PSYX 100IS (380 preferred**)
3	PSYX 491 Special Topics (12 credit max)	PSYX 100IS
3	PSYX 494 (Seminar) (6 credit max)	PSYX 100IS

Other Course Requirements

*Required for Psychology Minors. Minors must also complete 12 elective PSYX credits of their choice, 9 of which must be 300 or higher.

A minimum of 120 credits is required for graduation. 42 of the 120 credits must be in MSU courses numbered 300 or above. 41 of the 120 credits must be PSYX credits. A "C" grade or better is required in all psychology pre-requisite courses and psychology courses to meet departmental requirements.

Non-Psychology Elective Options

Students interested in counseling careers may choose elective courses in health and human development.

Students interested in areas of business or industrial and organizational psychology may choose electives in business, management, or statistics.

Students interested in pursuing a Ph.D. in Psychological Science may choose elective courses in disciplines such as cell biology and neuroscience, sociology, political science, computer science, or statistics.

For More Information

Students might consider developing a minor or second major in an area that enhances career interests. More information is available through faculty advisors, or the psychology department website: <http://www.montana.edu/psychology/index.html>. The deadline to submit your Application for Baccalaureate Degree is the 15th class day of the semester before you graduate.

Suggested Psychology Course Trajectory*

FRESHMAN YEAR		
CREDITS	COURSE NAME	PREREQUISITES
4	PSYX 100IS Intro to Psychology	N/A
3	CORE W (WRIT 101W) College Writing	N/A
3	CORE US (US 101US or CLS 101US) University Seminar	N/A
3	M 105Q Contemporary Math, M 121Q College Algebra, STAT 216Q Intro to Statistics, or Math Placement Exam Level 4+	N/A
6	Psychology Electives (usually second semester)	at least PSYX 100IS
11+	University Core Classes	Varies
30	Year Total	

SOPHOMORE YEAR		
CREDITS	COURSE NAME	PREREQUISITES
4	PSYX 222 Psychological Statistics (first semester)	PSYX 100IS & either M 105Q, M121Q, STAT 216Q, or MPLEX Level 4+
3	PSYX 225 Research Design and Analysis (second semester)	PSYX 100IS and PSYX 222
6	Psychology Electives	at least PSYX 100IS
17+	Remaining University Core and Electives	Varies
30	Year Total	

JUNIOR YEAR		
CREDITS	COURSE NAME	PREREQUISITES
3	PSYX 490 Undergraduate Research or PSYX 495 Field Practicum	PSYX 100IS, 222, and 225
6	Psychology Electives	at least PSYX 100IS
21+	Remaining Electives	Varies
30	Year Total	

SENIOR YEAR		
CREDITS	COURSE NAME	PREREQUISITES
3	PSYX 499 Senior Thesis	PSYX 100IS, 222, 225 and 490 or 495
6	Psychology Electives	at least PSYX 100IS
21+	Remaining Electives	Varies
30	Year Total	

OVERALL CREDIT COUNT	CREDITS
Total PSYX Program Credits	41
Total University Core Credits	30
Total Elective Credits	49+
Total University Credits to Graduate	120

*This trajectory is NOT a required plan. Though this layout is the most ideal, classes are not required to be taken in this exact order.