

Psychology, BS

Bachelor of Science in Psychology Degree Program Requirements

Departmental Requirements

Only undergraduate courses passed with grades of "C" or higher may be applied to hours constituting major requirements and psychology electives.

Complete Core Curriculum Listing at <https://catalog.pvamu.edu/universitycorecurriculum/>

Core Curriculum 42 Credit Hours

Communication (Select Two)	6
Mathematics (Select One)	3
Except PSYC 2317 (a Major Requirement Course)	
Life and Physical Sciences (Select Two)	6
Language, Philosophy, and Culture (Select One)	3
Creative Arts (Select One)	3
American History (Select Two)	6
Government/Political Science	6
POSC 2305 American Government	
POSC 2306 Texas Government	
Social and Behavioral Sciences (Select One)	3
Component Area Option One (Select One)	3
Component Area Option Two (Select One)	3

College Requirement

Foreign Language (must take 6 hours in the same language; must complete two semesters to satisfy the language requirement)

Major Requirements 18

PSYC 1141 Careers in Psychology	
PSYC 2301 General Psychology	
PSYC 2317 Statistical Methods in Psychology	
PSYC 3361 Stat For Psyc II	
PSYC 4444 Research Methods	
PSYC 4484 Senior Paper	

Content Areas 15

Block 1. Please choose one of the following courses:

PSYC 2316 Psychology of Personality	
PSYC 3332 Social Psychology	
PSYC 3391 Indust Org Psyc	

Block 2. Please choose one of the following courses:

PSYC 2308 Child Psychology	
PSYC 3322 Abnormal Psychology	
PSYC 3324 Testing	
PSYC 3325 Clinical Psychology	
PSYC 3341 Drugs and Behavior	

Block 3. Please choose one of the following courses:

PSYC 3331 Psychology of Learning	
PSYC 4351 Cognitive Psychology	
PSYC 4361 Physiological Psychology	
PSYC 4363 Sensation Perception	
PSYC 4355 Social Cognition	

Block 4. Please choose two of the following courses:

PSYC 4343 Multicultural Psychology	
PSYC 4353 Psychology of Sex and Gender	

PSYC 4364	Stereotypes and Prejudice	
PSYC 4373	Cross-Cultural Psychology	
Psychology Electives		24
Select eight (8) of the following not taken in content blocks:		
PSYC 3324	Testing	
PSYC 3362	Community Psychology	
PSYC 3372	Psychology and Law	
PSYC 3364	Positive Psychology	
PSYC 4323	Psychology of Religion	
PSYC 4352	Emotion and Motivation	
PSYC 4383	African American Psychology	
PSYC 4393	Chicano/Latinx Psychology	
PSYC 3354	Hist Sys Psyc	
PSYC 3331	Psychology of Learning	
PSYC 3332	Social Psychology	
PSYC 3360	Health Psychology	
PSYC 3370	Introduction to Forensic Psychology	
PSYC 3391	Indust Org Psyc	
PSYC 4351	Cognitive Psychology	
PSYC 4325	Clinical Psychology	
PSYC 4333	Special Topics in Psychology	
PSYC 4141	Psychology Internship Supervision ¹	
PSYC 4341	Psychology Internship ¹	
PSYC 4363	Sensation Perception	
PSYC 4382	Reading and Research	
PSYC 4391	Psychology Research ¹	
Support Area Requirements		4
BIOL 2401	Anatomy and Physiology I	
Unrestricted Electives		11
Total Hours		120

¹ Course may be repeated for academic credit totaling six (6) credit hours.

Bachelor of Science in Psychology Degree Sequence

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Freshman

Fall - Semester 1	Hours	Spring - Semester 2	Hours
Communication Core		3 Communication Core	3
Life and Physical Sciences Core		3 Life and Physical Sciences Core	3
American History Core		3 American History Core	3
Mathematics Core		3 Social and Behavioral Science Core	3
PSYC 1141		1 Content Block 1 Requirement	3
PSYC 2301		3	
Total		16 Total	15

Total Hours: 31

Sophomore

Fall - Semester 1	Hours	Spring - Semester 2	Hours
Component Area Option One Core		3 Component Area Option Two Core	3
Government/Political Science Core		3 Government/Political Science Core	3
POSC 2305		POSC 2306	

Creative Arts Core	3 Language, Philosophy, and Culture Core	3
PSYC 2317	3 PSYC 3361	3
BIOL 2401	4 Unrestricted Elective I	3
Total	16 Total	15

Total Hours: 31

Junior

Fall - Semester 1	Hours	Spring - Semester 2	Hours
Content Block 2 Requirement		3 Content Block 3 Requirement	3
Unrestricted Elective II		3 Content Block 4 Requirement	3
Psychology Elective I		3 Unrestricted Elective III	3
Psychology Elective II		3 Psychology Elective IV	3
Psychology Elective III		3 Psychology Elective V	3
Total		15 Total	15

Total Hours: 30

Senior

Fall - Semester 1	Hours	Spring - Semester 2	Hours
PSYC 4444		4 PSYC 4484	4
Content Block 4 Requirement		3 Psychology Elective VI	3
Unrestricted Elective IV		2 Psychology Elective VII	3
Foreign Language I		3 Psychology Elective VIII	3
		Foreign Language II	3
Total		12 Total	16

Total Hours: 28

Name	Unit
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Total Semester Credit Hours: 120

Marketable Skills

Marketable skills, as defined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's 60x30TX Plan (<http://www.60x30tx.com/>), include interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skill areas, are valued by employers, and can be either primary or complementary to a major. Marketable skills are acquired by students through education, including curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities.

BS Psychology

Degree Skills

1. Ability to think analytically in diverse settings
2. Use of quantitative research methods
3. Proficiency in written and verbal communication

Co-curricular and Extracurricular Skills

1. Service-minded
2. Ability to manage time in a competing priority environment
3. Ability to use technology