PSYCHOLOGY, BA

Studies in psychology introduce students to contemporary understandings of how organisms perceive, learn, think and interact with one another, how they develop, how they are motivated and how, individually and as members of species, they may be compared with one another. Psychology at Penn is a diverse discipline, with topics ranging from neuroscience to psychopathology.

The minimum total course units (https://www.college.upenn.edu/credits-needed-major) for graduation in this major is 33. Double majors may entail more course units.

A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.

6 course units of Psychology courses must be taken at the University of Pennsylvania.

For more information: https://psychology.sas.upenn.edu/penn-undergraduate-psychology

For information about the General Education requirements, please visit the College of Arts & Sciences Curriculum (https://www.college.upenn.edu/curriculum) page.

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**College General Education Requirements and Free Electives**

**Foundational Approaches + Sectors** + Free Electives 20

**Major Requirements**

**Introductory Psychology**

PSYC 001 Introduction to Experimental Psychology (or Replacement PSYC course) 1

**Distribution**

**Biological Basis of Behavior:**

Select one of the following: 1

- PSYC 109 Introduction to Brain and Behavior
- PSYC 127 Physiology of Motivated Behaviors
- PSYC 149 Cognitive Neuroscience

Select 1 course unit of Lecture 1

**Cognitive Basis of Behavior:**

Select one of the following: 1

- PSYC 111 Perception
- PSYC 151 Language and Thought
- PSYC 181 Intro to Developmental Psychology

Select 1 course unit of Lecture 1

**Individual & Group Bases of Behavior:**

Select one of the following: 1

- PSYC 160 Personality and Individual Differences
- PSYC 162 Abnormal Psychology
- PSYC 170 Social Psychology

Select 1 course unit of Lecture 1

**Research Experience**

PSYC 399 Individual Empirical Research (or any 300 level seminar) 1

**Statistics**

Select one of the following approved courses: 1

- STAT 101 Introductory Business Statistics
- STAT 102 Introductory Business Statistics
- STAT 111 Introductory Statistics (day or summer only)
- STAT 112 Introductory Statistics
- STAT 431 Statistical Inference
- BIOL 446 Statistics for Biologists
- ECON 103 Statistics for Economists
- SOCI 120 Social Statistics
- NURS 230 Statistics for Research and Measurement
- ANTH 454 Quantitative Analysis of Anthropological Data

**Elective Psychology Courses**

Select 2 course units in Psychology 2

Select 2 course units in Psychology or Approved Non-Psychology 2

**Approved Non-Psyc Courses:**

- ANTH 104 Sex and Human Nature
- ASAM 170 Psych of Asian Americans
- BIBB 240 Chronobiology and Sleep
- CRIM 270 Biopsychosocial Criminology

**Total Course Units** 33

1 You may count no more than one course toward both a Major and a Sector requirement. For Exceptions, check the Policy Statement (http://www.college.upenn.edu/sectors-policy).

2 Replacement PSYC course if PSYC 001 Introduction to Experimental Psychology waived by an AP score of 5.

**Honors**

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Select 1 course unit of Second Statistics 1

PSYC 400 Senior Honors Seminar in Psychology 0.5

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The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2019 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.