

WU Psych Department – Guide to the Major

(“Recent Gen Ed” – general education beginning AY 2019-20 and also including AY 2020-2021)

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Introductory Course in Psychology (4 credits total)

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Breadth Requirement: One course in each of four “categories” (16 credits total)

Clinical / Applied Psych

(choose 1 course – 4 credits)

PSY310 – Clinical Psychology
(PSY310 before S '21)
PSY321 – Psych for Sustainability
PSY335 – Adult Psychopathology
PSY337 – Abnormal Psych:
Child/Adolescent
*PSY354 – Psych of Women &
Gender (prior to F16 only)
PSY360 – Psych & Law
PSY370.A – Topical Course
(PSY370.A is used for
additional courses in
this category. Specific
course titles may vary.)

Biological and Psychophysical Processes

(choose 1 course – 4 credits)

PSY345 – Biopsychology
PSY351 – Sensation & Perception
PSY355 – Cognitive Neuroscience
PSY370.B – Topical Course
(PSY370.B is used for
additional courses in
this category. Specific
course titles may vary.)

Learning & Cognitive Processes

(choose 1 course – 4 credits)

PSY340 – Psych of Learning
PSY344 – Animal Cog & Behavior
PSY350 – Cognitive Processes
PSY370.C – Topical Course
(PSY370.C is used for
additional courses in
this category. Specific
course titles may vary.)

Developmental & Personality / Social Psych

(choose 1 course – 4 credits)

PSY330 – Developmental Psych:
Lifespan
PSY331 – Developmental Psych:
Adolescence
PSY332 – Personality Psych
PSY336 – Social Psych
*PSY354 – Psych of Women &
Gender (after F16 only)
PSY370.D – Topical Course
(PSY370.D is used for
additional courses in
this category. Specific
course titles may vary.)

Note: You can complete the categories in any order you wish. The breadth requirement is typically fulfilled concurrently with the Research Methods requirement (see below). Many students finish the breadth requirement during the senior year.

Research Methods & Analysis Sequence (8 credits total)

PSY252W – Research Methods & Analysis I (4 credits; must pass with C- or better to continue to PSY253; cannot be attempted more than 2x)
 PSY253 – Research Methods & Analysis II (4 credits)

Note: PSY253 must be completed before you begin your senior internship. If you are interested in a summer internship, you should complete PSY253 no later than spring of your junior year.

Senior Experience & Advanced Seminar Course (12 credits total)

PSY310 – Professional and Career Planning
in Psychology I (2 credits)

Taken **spring of your junior year or spring of sophomore year** if you plan to study abroad in spring of junior year. (Old naming and numbering: PSYC 300 – Internship Orientation.)

PSY410 – Professional and Career Planning
in Psychology II (2 credits)

Taken **fall of your senior year.**

PSY497 **OR** PSY498 – Research **or** Field
Senior Internship in Psychology (4 credits)

This course is offered annually in the fall. You will take it fall of your **senior year**. The course includes a minimum of 168 hours in a research lab on campus (PSYC 497: research interns) or service in a field site in the local community (PSYC 498: field interns) See department web page for more details.

PSY431W – Topical Seminar in Psych (4
credits)

Each year, faculty offer small topical senior seminars. Plan to take one of the PSY431W offerings in fall or spring of your **senior year** (some students may take the course as a junior). PSY252 is required prior to taking the seminar. The seminar will be largely discussion-based, and you will write a major scholarly paper in this course.

Important Notes:

- In addition to the PSYC courses above, majors must complete one natural science (NS) course outside of psychology.
- If planning study abroad, it's best to go prior to spring of junior year (to allow PSYC 310 enrollment & timely pre-req completion).
- Of the 124 credits required for graduation, at least 76 must be from outside of psychology (note that because PSYC 497 and PSYC 498 are internship credits, either can count toward this 76 outside of psychology!). Because there are 36 other credits from PSYC-prefix courses required in the psychology major, this means that you can take three additional 4-credit PSYC courses and have them count toward your 124 required credits for graduation.

8-Semester Schedule Planning

1st Year

FALL

SPRING

2nd Year

FALL

SPRING

3rd Year

FALL

SPRING

PSYC 310 (2 credits; or spring 2nd yr.)

4th Year

FALL

PSYC 497 or PSYC 498 (4 credits)

PSYC 410 (2 credits)

SPRING

General Education Requirements - “recent gen ed,” for students matriculating F19 up to S21

(see online university resources for details – this is the *recent* gen ed program starting F19-S21)

- College Colloquium
- 4 Liberal Arts Distribution Categories (only one PSY course can be used here; PSY210 can be used for NS or SS)
 - Natural Science (NS)
 - Social Sciences (SS)
 - Arts & Humanities (AH)
 - Mathematical Science (MS)
- 2 Writing Centered Courses:
 - Lower-division course (100-299 level; PSY252W fulfills)
 - Upper-division writing course (300-499 level; PSY431W fulfills)
- World Engagement
 - Foundation Language (proficiency or completion through 132 of chosen non-English language)
 - World Engagement Electives – 6 credits required (multiple ways to satisfy – see online resources for details)

Psych Major Requirements (see previous page for details)

- Intro Psych (4 credits)
- Breadth Requirement (16 credits)
 - Developmental & Social / Personality
 - Biological / Psychophysical Processes
 - Clinical / Applied
 - Learning & Cognitive Processes
- Research Methods Sequence (8 credits)
 - Research Methods & Analysis I
 - Research Methods & Analysis II
- Senior Experiences & Advanced Seminar Course (12 credits)
 - Professional and Career Planning in Psychology I (PSYC 310)
 - Professional and Career Planning in Psychology II (PSYC 410)
 - Senior Research Internship in Psychology (PSYC 497) OR Senior Field Internship in Psychology (PSYC 498)
 - Topical Seminar in Psychology (PSYC 431W)

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Welcome to the Psych major! Below, you will find a list of the requirements for completing the major, along with some key issues to keep in mind for schedule planning. If you have questions, please discuss them with your advisor.

Introductory Course in Psychology (4 credits total)

PSYC 210 – Introduction to Psychology (4 credits) -- may be waived with score of 4 or higher on AP Psych exam or 5 or higher on IB Psych exam

Breadth Requirement: Two courses in each of two “categories” (16 credits total)

Category A

(choose 2 courses – 8 credits total)

PSYC 330 – Developmental Psychology: Lifespan
PSYC 331 – Developmental Psychology: Adolescence
PSYC 332 – Personality Psychology
PSYC 335 – Adult Psychopathology
PSYC 336 – Social Psychology
PSYC 337 – Abnormal Psychology: Child/Adolescent
PSYC 360 – Psychology & Law
PSYC 370A – Topical Course [Course titles vary]

(PSYC 370A is used for additional courses in Category A.
Formerly designated PSYC 370D courses are also eligible for this category.)

Also includes these courses that are no longer offered:

PSYC 321 – Psychology for Sustainability
PSYC 342 – Clinical Psychology [numbered PSYC 310 prior to spring '21]

Category B

(choose 2 courses – 8 credits total)

PSYC 340 – Psychology of Learning
PSYC 344 – Animal Cognition & Behavior
PSYC 345 – Biopsychology
PSYC 350 – Cognitive Processes
PSYC 351 – Sensation & Perception
PSYC 355 – Cognitive Neuroscience
PSYC 370B – Topical Course [Course titles vary]

(PSYC 370B is used for additional courses in Category B. Formerly designated PSYC 370C courses are also eligible for this category.)

Note: You can complete the categories in any order you wish. The breadth requirement is typically fulfilled concurrently with the Research Methods requirement (see below). Many students finish the breadth requirement during the senior year.

Research Methods & Analysis Sequence (8 credits total)

PSYC 252W – Research Methods & Analysis I (4 credits; must pass with C- or better to continue to PSYC 253; cannot attempt more than 2x)
 PSYC 253 – Research Methods & Analysis II (4 credits)

Note: PSYC 253 must be completed before you begin your senior internship. If you are interested in a summer internship, you should complete PSYC 253 no later than spring of your junior year.

Junior/Senior Experience & Advanced Seminar Course (12 credits total)

PSYC 310 – Professional and Career Planning in Psychology I (2 credits)

*This course is offered annually in the spring. You should take it **spring of your junior year (or spring of sophomore year if you plan to study abroad in spring of junior year).***

PSYC 410 – Professional and Career Planning in Psychology II (2 credits)

*This course is offered annually in the fall. You should take it **fall of your senior year.***

PSYC 497 **or** PSYC 498 – Senior Internship in Psychology (4 credits)

*These two courses are offered annually in the fall. You will take one of them fall of your senior year. Courses include a minimum of 168 hours of research in a lab on campus (research interns: **PSYC 497**) or service at a field site in the local community (field interns: **PSYC 498**). See department web page for more details.*

PSYC 431W – Topical Seminar in Psychology (4 credits)

*Each year, faculty offer small topical senior seminars. Plan to take one of the PSYC 431W offerings in **fall or spring of senior year** (some students may take the course as a junior). PSYC 252W is required prior to taking the seminar. The seminar will be discussion-based, and you will write a major scholarly paper in this course.*

Important Notes:

- In addition to the PSYC courses above, majors must complete one natural science (NS) course outside of psychology.
- If planning study abroad, it's best to go prior to spring of junior year (to allow PSYC 310 enrollment & timely pre-req completion).
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SPRING

General Education Requirements - “New Gen Ed,” for students matriculating F21 and after

(see online university resources for details – this is the new gen ed program starting F21)

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- Power, Diversity and Equity (4 credits)

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 - one course in Category A a second course in Category A
 - one course in Category B a second course in Category B
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 - Research Methods & Analysis I Research Methods & Analysis II
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General Education Requirements – “old gen ed,” for students matriculating F18 and prior

(see online university resources for details)

- College Colloquium:
- 3 Writing Centered Courses (at least one must be at 300- or 400- level):
 - In major (PSY252W fulfills)
 - Out of Major
 - Your choice (PSY431W fulfills)
- 2 Quant / Analytic:
 - QA* (PSY252W fulfills)
 - QA* or QA course (PSY253 fulfills)
- Non-English language requirement (multiple ways to satisfy; see online university resources for details)
- 6 MOIs

<input type="checkbox"/> Nat'l World	<input type="checkbox"/> Creating Arts	<input type="checkbox"/> Examining Values (Prior to F14, this is “AARV”)
<input type="checkbox"/> Think Historically	<input type="checkbox"/> Interpret Texts	<input type="checkbox"/> Understand Society (PSY210 fulfills <u>starting in F14</u>)

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