

# PSYCHOLOGY, BACHELOR OF ARTS

The major in Psychology provides courses that lead to a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology. The student who majors in psychology gains a fundamental understanding of the principles of human thought, emotion and behavior programs. In addition to the program's emphasis on psychological factors and human learning, biological and social determinants of human behavior are also emphasized as well as research methods. This broad based training prepares students to understand, evaluate and influence their own behavior as well as the behavior of others. Because psychology is relevant to numerous fields, job opportunities for psychology majors are diverse and include employment in such areas as business and industry, educational settings, mental health agencies and hospitals, governmental agencies (including the military and law enforcement), etc. Students who plan to become professional psychologists or mental health practitioners will be prepared to continue their education in order to obtain a graduate degree in one of the more than 50 areas of specialization within psychology. The Psychology program is a member of the Council of Undergraduate Programs in Psychology. Departments with undergraduate programs in psychology, in institutions accredited for such purposes by their regional accrediting association, are eligible for membership on the council.

## Graduation Requirements

1. Completion of a minimum of 123 semester hours with a cumulative grade-point average of at least 2.25.
2. Completion of all Psychology courses with grades of C or above.
3. Completion of all required examinations: Psychology test of the Graduate Records Examination (GRE), or the Major Field Area Test and a departmental exit examination. For more information, please contact the ASU Testing Center (<https://www.asurams.edu/enrollment-management/testing-center/>).

| Code  | Title                             | Semester Hours |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Core IMPACTS</b> ( <a href="http://catalog.asurams.edu/undergraduate/core-curriculum/#coreimpactstext">http://catalog.asurams.edu/undergraduate/core-curriculum/#coreimpactstext</a> ) |                                   | <b>42</b>      |
| <b>Field of Study</b> <sup>1</sup>  |                                   |                |
| PSYC 1101   | General Psychology                | 3              |
| PSYC 2270   | Psychology of Ethics              | 3              |
| Select 12 semester hours from the following: <sup>1</sup>   |                                   | 12             |
| SOCI 1160   | Introduction to Social Problems   |                |
| ECON 2201   | Survey of Economics               |                |
| SSCI 2402   | Microcomputers in Social Science  |                |
| Core IMPACTS Humanities   | Foreign Language                  |                |
| PSYC 2103   | Human Growth & Development        |                |
| PSYC 2225   | Intro to Abnormal Psychology      |                |
| PSYC 2226   | Introduction to Social Psychology |                |
| PSYC 2295   | Psychology of Adjustment          |                |
| CRJU 1100   | Introduction to Criminal Justice  |                |
| <b>Requirements for the Major</b>   |                                   |                |
| <b>Required Major Courses</b> <sup>1</sup>  |                                   |                |
| PSYC 2210   | Professions of Psychology         | 1              |
| PSYC 4300   | Behavioral Statistics             | 3              |

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| PSYC 4304 | Behavioral Research                     | 3 |
| PSYC 4305 | Introduction to Experimental Psychology | 3 |
| PSYC 4465 | History and Systems of Psychology       | 3 |
| PSYC 4499 | Psychological Seminar                   | 3 |

### Free Electives/Minor<sup>1</sup>

Select 17 semester hours of Free Electives or Minor. A Minimum of 9 Credits in Upper Level Courses Required 17

### Major Electives

Select 27 semester hours. Minimum of 15 Credits of 3000-4000 level Electives Required 27

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| PSYC 2240 | Psychology of Stress                    |
| PSYC 2250 | Sensation and Perception                |
| PSYC 2260 | Humanistics Psychology                  |
| PSYC 2271 | Practicum I                             |
| PSYC 2275 | Interviewing Practicum                  |
| PSYC 2280 | Psychology of Women                     |
| PSYC 2282 | Human Behavior and The Environment      |
| PSYC 2290 | Foundations of Learning & Motivation    |
| PSYC 2296 | Psychology of Human Sexuality           |
| PSYC 3000 | Industrial Psychology                   |
| PSYC 3001 | Child Psychology                        |
| PSYC 3002 | Adolescent Psychology                   |
| PSYC 3307 | Physiological Psychology                |
| PSYC 3309 | Introduction to Psychopharmacology      |
| PSYC 3310 | Drug Physiology and Classification      |
| PSYC 3311 | Substance Abuse and Treatment           |
| PSYC 3312 | Introduction to Group Process           |
| PSYC 3320 | Psychology of Personality               |
| PSYC 3322 | Abnormal Psychology                     |
| PSYC 3324 | Culture and Personality Development     |
| PSYC 3329 | Community Mental Health                 |
| PSYC 3340 | Psychology of Religion                  |
| PSYC 3353 | Counseling the Aged                     |
| PSYC 3370 | Introduction to Behavioral Modification |
| PSYC 3371 | Juvenile Delinquency                    |
| PSYC 4400 | Health Psychology                       |
| PSYC 4401 | Psychology of Aging                     |
| PSYC 4411 | Seminar in Family Dynamics              |
| PSYC 4421 | Principles of Psychological Testing     |
| PSYC 4464 | Social Psychology                       |
| PSYC 4492 | Independent Study                       |

### First-Year and Wellness Course Requirements Outside the Core

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| ASU 1101   | First Year Experience: Pathways to Success | 1 |
| HEDP, WELL | Health & Wellness Requirement <sup>2</sup> | 2 |

**Total Semester Hours** 123

<sup>1</sup> Field of Study requires a grade of C or better.

<sup>2</sup> The health & wellness requirement may be fulfilled by taking one - two (2) credit hour health or wellness course OR two one (1) credit hour health or wellness activity courses.