

PSYCHOLOGY (BS)

Program Overview

Psychology is the scientific study of mind and behavior.

An undergraduate degree in psychology enhances career opportunities in many areas, and a graduate degree prepares students for professional careers in psychology and related fields. The Psychology Dept at CSU provides coursework leading to the Bachelor of Science (BS) degree. Students also have the opportunity to participate in CSU's pre-medical program for application to medical school.

Our faculty represent a diversity of psychology's specializations including counseling, cognitive, developmental, social, biological, and behavior analysis. The curriculum encompasses empirical, theoretical, and applied approaches, and students have opportunities to explore specialty areas within the discipline. Internships and independent study are available to qualified students.

Our research labs and facilities enhance the learning experience. We provide opportunities for student / faculty research collaborations leading to publications and presentations at professional conferences. We host a local chapter of Psi Chi, the International Honor Society in Psychology, as well as our own Psychology Club.

Career Opportunities

Graduates may find employment in many fields including human services, research, administration, psychological assessment, rehabilitation services, and veterans and victims advocacy. Click here to learn more <https://psyc.columbusstate.edu/StudentResources.php>.

Program of Study

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core IMPACTS Area : Institutional Priorities ¹		4-5
Choose one of the following communication options		3
COMM 1110	Public Speaking	
Foreign Language Course Options		
AMSL, ARAB, CHIN, FREN, GERM, GREK, ITAL, JAPN, KREN, LATIN, PORT, SPAN - 1001, 1002, 2001, 2002; SWAH - 1001, 1002.		
Take one of the following courses		1-2
ITDS 1779	Scholarship Across the Disciplines	
LEAD 1705	Introduction to Servant Leadership	
PERS 1506	Perspectives 1-hour	
PERS 1507	Perspectives 2-hour	
Core IMPACTS Area : Mathematics & Quantitative Skills ¹		3-7
DATA 1501	Introduction to Data Science	3
MATH 1001	Quantitative Skills and Reasoning	3
MATH 1101	Introduction to Mathematical Modeling	3
MATH 1111	College Algebra	3
MATH 1113	Pre-Calculus	4
MATH 1125	Applied Calculus	3
MATH 1131	Calculus with Analytic Geometry I	4
MATH 1132	Calculus with Analytic Geometry II	4
MATH 1165	Computer-Assisted Problem Solving	3
MATH 1401	Introduction to Statistics	3

MATH 1501	Calculus I	4
MATH 2125	Introduction to Discrete Mathematics	3
STAT 1401	Elementary Statistics	3
Core IMPACTS Area : Political Science and U.S. History		6
HIST 2111	U. S. History to 1865	3
or HIST 2112	U. S. History since 1865	
POLS 1101	American Government	3
Core IMPACTS Area : Arts, Humanities, and Ethics		6
Select one Fine Arts course		3
ARTH 1100	Art Appreciation	
ARTH 2125	Introduction to the History of Art I– Prehistoric through Gothic	
ARTH 2126	Introduction to the History of Art II– Renaissance through Modern	
MUSC 1100	Music Appreciation	
THEA 1100	Theatre Appreciation	
ITDS 1145	Comparative Arts ²	
Select one Humanities course		3
ENGL 2111	World Literature I	
ENGL 2112	World Literature II	
ITDS 1155	The Western Intellectual Tradition	
ITDS 1774	Introduction to Digital Humanities	
PHIL 2010	Introduction to Philosophy	
ITDS 1145	Comparative Arts ²	
Core IMPACTS Area : Communicating in Writing		6
ENGL 1101	English Composition I	3
ENGL 1102	English Composition II	3
Core IMPACTS Area : Technology, Mathematics, and Sciences ^{1,3}		7-11
ANTH 1145	Human Origins	3
ASTR 1105	Descriptive Astronomy: The Solar System	3
ASTR 1106	Descriptive Astronomy: Stars and Galaxies	3
ASTR 1305	Descriptive Astronomy Lab	1
ATSC 1112	Understanding the Weather	3
ATSC 1112L	Understanding the Weather Lab	1
BIOL 1125	Contemporary Issues in Biology Non-Lab	3
BIOL 1215K	Introductory Biology	4
BIOL 1225K	Contemporary Issues in Biology with Lab	4
CHEM 1151 & 1151L	Survey of Chemistry I and Survey of Chemistry I Lab	4
CHEM 1152 & 1152L	Survey of Chemistry II and Survey of Chemistry II Lab	4
CHEM 1211 & 1211L	Principles of Chemistry I and Principles of Chemistry I Lab	4
CHEM 1212 & 1212L	Principles of Chemistry II and Principles of Chemistry II Lab	4
CPSC 1105	Introduction to Computing Principles and Technology	3
CPSC 1301K	Computer Science I	4
ENVS 1105	Environmental Studies	3
ENVS 1105L	Environmental Studies Laboratory	1
ENVS 1205K	Sustainability and the Environment	4
GEOG 2215	Introduction to the Geographic Information Systems	3

GEOL 1110	Natural Disasters: Our Hazardous Environment	3
GEOL 1121	Introductory Geoscience I: Physical Geology	3
GEOL 1121L	Introductory Geoscience I: Physical Geology Lab	1
GEOL 1122	Introductory Geo-sciences II: Historical Geology	3
GEOL 1322	Introductory Geo-sciences II: Historical Geology Lab	1
GEOL 2225	The Fossil Record	4
PHYS 1111 & PHYS 1311	Introductory Physics I and Introductory Physics I Lab	4
PHYS 1112 & PHYS 1312	Introductory Physics II and Introductory Physics II Lab	4
PHYS 1125	Physics of Color and Sound	3
PHYS 1325	Physics of Color and Sound Lab	1
PHYS 2211 & PHYS 2311	Principles of Physics I and Principles of Physics I Lab	4
PHYS 2212 & PHYS 2312	Principles of Physics II and Principles of Physics II Lab	4
Core IMPACTS Area : Social Sciences		6
Select one Behavioral Science course		
ECON 2105	Principles of Macroeconomics	
ECON 2106	Principles of Microeconomics	
PHIL 2030	Moral Philosophy	
PSYC 1101	Introduction to General Psychology	
SOCI 1101	Introduction to Sociology	
Select one World Cultures course		
ANTH 1107	Discovering Archaeology	3
ANTH 1105	Cultural Anthropology	
ANTH 2105	Ancient World Civilizations	
ANTH 2136	Language and Culture	
ENGL 2136	Language and Culture	
GEOG 1101	World Regional Geography	
HIST 1111	World History to 1500	
HIST 1112	World History since 1500	
ITDS 1156	Understanding Non-Western Cultures	
Core IMPACTS Total Hours		42
Health and Wellness		3
KINS 1106	Lifetime Wellness	2
	or PHED 1205 Concepts of Fitness	
Select one of the following		
	Any PEDS course	1
MUSC 1206	Body Mapping (Music Majors Only)	

¹ The hours applied in the Institutional Priorities; Mathematics & Quantitative Skills; and Technology, Mathematics, and Sciences areas must add to 18 credit hours.

² ITDS 1145 Comparative Arts, though listed under both Fine Arts and Humanities, may be taken only once.

³ At least 4 of the credit hours in this area must be in a lab science course.

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core Requirements		
Complete the core requirements for this program		45
Core Total		45
Field of Study Requirements		
Minimum grade of C is required		
PSYC 1101	Introduction to General Psychology	3
PSYC 1105	Psychology as a Major and Career	2
PSYC 2103	Lifespan Developmental Psychology	3
PSYC 2127	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences	3
PHIL 2020	Critical Thinking	3
	or PHIL 2500 Formal Logic	
	or DATA 1501 Introduction to Data Science	
Select one of the following:		4
	BIOL 1215K Introductory Biology (lab included)	
	BIOL 1107K Principles of Biology I (lab included)	
	BIOL 2251K Anatomy & Physiology I (lab included)	
Field of Study Requirements Total		18
Required for the Major		
Minimum grade of C is required		
PSYC 3115	Writing in Psychology	3
PSYC 3211	Research Methods and Data Analysis I	4
PSYC 4000	Baccalaureate Assessment in Psychology	0
PSYC 4106	Biological Psychology	3
PSYC 4235	Learning and Behavior Analysis	3
	or PSYC 4275 Cognitive Psychology	
Select one of the following:		3
	PSYC 3125 Abnormal Psychology	
	PSYC 3145 Clinical Psychology	
	PSYC 4125 Theories of Personality	
PSYC 3155	Social Psychology	3
	or PSYC 3265 Evolutionary Psychology	
Required for the Major Total		19
Major Electives		
Minimum grade of C is required		
Select 18 credits in Program Electives from the following:		18
	PSYC 3105 Pseudopsychologies and the Paranormal	
	PSYC 3125 Abnormal Psychology	
	PSYC 3135 Counseling Psychology	
	PSYC 3145 Clinical Psychology	
	PSYC 3155 Social Psychology	
	PSYC 3156 Psychology of Women and Social Identity	
	PSYC 3166 Health Psychology	
	PSYC 3175 Psychology of Eating	
	PSYC 3185 Child Development	
	PSYC 3195 Meta-Analysis	
	PSYC 3215 Tests and Measurement	
	PSYC 3265 Evolutionary Psychology	
	PSYC 3555 Selected Topics in Psychology with Lab	
	PSYC 3565 Selected Topics in Psychology	

PSYC 4105	Psychology of Aging	
PSYC 4106	Biological Psychology	
PSYC 4115	History and Systems	
PSYC 4116	Comparative Animal Behavior	
PSYC 4125	Theories of Personality	
PSYC 4165	Motivation	
PSYC 4185	Sensation and Perception	
PSYC 4195	Human Memory	
PSYC 4235	Learning and Behavior Analysis	
PSYC 4245	Applied Behavior Analysis	
PSYC 4275	Cognitive Psychology	
PSYC 4497	Teaching Apprenticeship in Psychology	
PSYC 4698	Internship	
PSYC 4899	Supervised Research	
COUN 5115U	Introduction to Professional Counseling	
Major Electives Total		18
General Electives		
Select 3 hours of coursework at the 3000-level or higher.		3
Select 20 hours of coursework at the 1000-level or higher.		20
General Electives Total		23
Total Credit Hours		123

Program Map

Course	Title	Credit Hours
First Year		
Fall		
ENGL 1101	English Composition I (minimum grade of C)	3
MATH 1001	Quantitative Skills and Reasoning (or higher math) (minimum grade of C)	3
Institutional Priorities	ITDS 1779 (2), LEAD 1705 (2), PERS 1506 (1; may be repeated with different topic), PERS 1507 (2)	2
POLS 1101	American Government	3
PSYC 1101	Introduction to General Psychology	3
PSYC 1105	Psychology as a Major and Career	2
Some of these courses could be switched with courses listed under Spring 1 (see your adviser)		
Credit Hours		16
Spring		
ENGL 1102	English Composition II (minimum grade of C)	3
Institutional Priorities	COMM 1110 Public Speaking or foreign language 1001, 1002, 2001, 2002	3
Arts, Humanities, and Ethics	Fine Arts Elective	3
Technology, Mathematics, and Sciences	SCIENCE Elective w/ Lab	4
PSYC 2103	Lifespan Developmental Psychology (minimum grade of C)	3

Some of these courses could be switched with courses listed under Fall 1 (see your adviser)

Credit Hours			16
Second Year			
Fall			
Technology, Mathematics, and Sciences	Science Elective		3
Social Sciences	World Cultures Elective		3
PHIL 2020 or PHIL 2500	Critical Thinking (minimum grade of C) or Formal Logic		3
PSYC 2127	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences (minimum grade of C)		3
PSYC 3115	Writing in Psychology (minimum grade of C)		3

Some of these courses could be switched with courses listed under Spring 2 (see your adviser)

Credit Hours			15
Spring			
Arts, Humanities, and Ethics	Humanities Elective		3
Technology, Mathematics, and Sciences	STAT 1401 Elementary Statistics or other Science/Tech/Math course		3
Social Sciences	Behavioral Science Elective		3
PSYC 3211	Research Methods and Data Analysis I (minimum grade of C)		4
KINS 1106 or PHED 1205	Lifetime Wellness or Concepts of Fitness		2
Some of these courses could be switched with courses listed under Fall 2 (see your adviser)			

Credit Hours 15

Third Year			
Fall			
HIST 2111 or HIST 2112	U. S. History to 1865 or U. S. History since 1865		3
Select one of the following (minimum grade of C):			3
PSYC 3125	Abnormal Psychology		
PSYC 3145	Clinical Psychology		
PSYC 4125	Theories of Personality		
Program Electives	PSYC Elective (upper level) (minimum grade of C)		3-4
General Electives	General Elective (any course)		3
General Electives	General Elective (any course)		3
Some of these courses could be switched with courses listed under Spring 3 (see your adviser)			

Credit Hours 15

Spring			
Select one of the following courses:			4
BIOL 1215K	Introductory Biology (minimum grade of C)		
BIOL 2251K	Anatomy & Physiology I		
Program Electives	PSYC Elective (upper-level) (minimum grade of C)		3-4
Program Electives	PSYC Elective (upper-level) (minimum grade of C)		3-4

Program Electives	PSYC Elective (upper-level) (minimum grade of C)	3-4
General Electives	General Elective (any course)	3

Some of these courses could be switched with courses listed under Fall 3 (see your adviser)

Credit Hours **16**

Fourth Year**Fall**

PSYC 4235 or PSYC 4275	Learning and Behavior Analysis (minimum grade of C) or Cognitive Psychology	3
PSYC 4106	Biological Psychology (minimum grade of C)	3
PSYC 3155 or PSYC 3265	Social Psychology (minimum grade of C) or Evolutionary Psychology	3
General Electives	General Elective (any course)	3
General Electives	General Elective (any course)	2
Health and Wellness	PEDS Fitness/Sport	1

Some of these courses could be switched with courses listed under Spring 4 (see your adviser)

Credit Hours **15**

Spring

PSYC 4000	Baccalaureate Assessment in Psychology	0
Program Electives	PSYC Elective (upper-level) (minimum grade of C)	3-4
Program Electives	PSYC Elective (upper-level) (minimum grade of C)	3-4
General Electives	General Elective (any 3000-level or higher course)	3
General Electives	General Elective (any course)	3
General Electives	General Elective (any course)	3

Some of these courses could be switched with courses listed under Fall 4 (see your adviser)

Credit Hours **15**

Total Credit Hours **123**

- Be sure to meet with your academic adviser each term.
- Freshmen and sophomores are advised through the CSU Advise: <http://ace.columbusstate.edu> (<http://ace.columbusstate.edu/>)
- Juniors and seniors are assigned advisers in the Psychology Department: <http://psyc.columbusstate.edu/>. Check your record in EAB to schedule an appointment with your psychology adviser.

Admission Requirements

There are no program specific admission requirements.

Additional Program Requirements

Minimum grade of C in all courses in Areas F, G, and H of the curriculum.