

PSYCHOLOGY, BA

The bachelor of arts program is most appropriate for the student who seeks primarily a liberal arts education, with a major in psychology and a broad distribution of electives in the humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences. A B.A. in psychology in conjunction with appropriate elective courses is an excellent preparation for careers in human services or social services, or post graduate studies in clinical psychology, counseling, developmental psychology, industrial and organizational behavior, school psychology, social psychology, business administration, or law.

Code	Title	Credits
Psychology		35
PSYC-101	INTRO TO PSYCHOLOGY	
PSYC-102	AN INTRO TO BIOPSYCHOLOGY	
PSYC-201 & PSYL-201	PSYC RESEARCH: METHODS & STATISTICS I and Psychological Reseach Lab I,PSYC RESEARCH: METHODS & STATS LAB I	
PSYC-202 & PSYL-202	PSYC RESEARCH: METHODS & STATS II and PSYCHOLOGICAL RESEACH LAB II,PSYC RES: METHODS/STATISTICS LAB II	
PSYC-49x (Senior Seminar)		
Three SPD electives ¹		
Two CBH electives ²		
PSYC Elective ³		
Cognate Courses		4
Select one of the following:		
BIO-101	FUNDAMENTALS OF BIOLOGY	
BIO-105	BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE I	
PHYS-103	GENERAL PHYSICS I	
CHEM-101	GENERAL CHEMISTRY I	
CS-131	COMPUTER SCIENCE I	
Foreign Language ⁴		3
General Education Requirements (https://catalog.sbu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements)		37
Electives		41
Total Credits		120

¹ Social/Personality/Developmental area electives

² Cognitive/Behavioral/Health area electives

³ Extra area elective; does not have to be designated PSYC elective

⁴ The foreign language must be at the level of 202 or higher.

Electives

Code	Title	Credits
Social/Personality/Developmental		
PSYC-212	SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY	3
PSYC-213	GROUP DYNAMICS	3
PSYC-215	MALADAPTIVE BEHAVIOR	3
PSYC-224	PSYCHOLOGY OF ADOLESCENCE	3
PSYC-225	ADULT DEVELP & AGING	3
PSYC-232	PSYCHOLOGICAL WELL-BEING	3
PSYC-270	INVESTIGATIVE PSYCHOLOGY	3

PSYC-309	SOCIAL INFLUENCE	3
PSYC-310	ORGANIZA. & INDUSTRIAL PSYCH.	3
PSYC-312	CHILD DEVELOPMENT	3
PSYC-313	INTERPERSONAL RELATIONS	3
PSYC-316	HUMAN SEXUALITY	3
PSYC-370	PSYCHOLOGY OF TERRORISM	3
PSYC-371	HATE CRIMES	3
PSYC-433	PSYCH OF PERSONALITY	3

Cognitive/Behavioral/Health

PSYC-222	PSYCH OF LEARN/MEMORY	3
PSYC-315	ANIMAL BEHAVIOR	3
PSYC-330	HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY	3
PSYC-343	PHYSIOLOGICAL PSYCHOLOGY	3
PSYC-382	SUSTAINABLE BEHAVIOR: DIET HEALTH AGING	3
PSYC-421	SENSATION & PERCEPTION	3
PSYC-422	COGNITION	3

Other PSYC Electives

PSYC-414	SPORT & EXERCISE PSYCH	3
PSYC-469	INTR CLNIC/METH-HUM.SERV	3
PSYC-47x		

It is recommended that students take one of the following courses to meet the General Education Quantitative Literacy Distribution:

Code	Title	Credits
MATH-108	PRECALCULUS	3
MATH-111	MATH OF ELEM. EDUCATION I	3
MATH-112	MATH FOR ELEM EDUC II	3
MATH-121	FINITE MATH FOR MGT & SOC SCI	3
MATH-145	INTRO TO MATH CONCEPTS	3
MATH-151	CALCULUS I	4

Departmental Comprehensive Requirement

To comply with comprehensive examination requirements, psychology majors must take one of the capstone courses (PSYC-49X). In the capstone courses students plan, conduct and write a senior thesis. The purposes of the thesis are to capstone undergraduate experiences and to provide a transition to post-baccalaureate life. The thesis is based on an empirical research project.

First Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
PSYC-101	3 PSYC-102	3
ENG-101	3 ENG-102	3
SBU-101	2 SBU-102	1
BIO-101	4 Quantitative Literacy Distribution	3
General Elective/Foreign Language 201 ¹	3 General Education Requirement	3
	General Elective/Foreign Language 202 ¹	3
		15
Second Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
PSYC-201 & PSYL-201	4 PSYC-202 & PSYL-202	4
PSYC Elective	3 PSYC Elective	3

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General Elective	3 General Education Requirement	3
General Education Requirements	6 General Electives	6
	16	16

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
PSYC Electives	6 PSYC Electives	6
General Education Requirements	6 General Electives	6
General Elective	3 General Elective	3
	15	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
PSYC-49x (Senior Seminar)	3 General Electives	6
General Elective	3 General Electives	6
General Electives	9	
	15	12

Total Credits 120

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Changes in the sequence of the program may be desirable; adviser consultation required.