

Psychology Major Checklist (for students starting in Fall 2024 or later)

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DECLARED PSYCHOLOGY MAJORS				OTHER PSYCHOLOGY REQUIREMENTS				
Complete the following courses (9 credits)				<input type="checkbox"/> 2.0 minimum PSYC GPA <input type="checkbox"/> C- or better in all PSYC classes that count toward major <input type="checkbox"/> Complete at least 44 PSYC credits and at least 60 non-PSYC credits <input type="checkbox"/> Complete BS or BA Degree Program Requirements				
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 101	General Psychology	3					
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 160	Life Span Human Development <i>(may be taken later in the major)</i>	3					
<input type="checkbox"/>	MATH 220	Elementary Statistics	3					
FULLY ADMITTED PSYCHOLOGY MAJORS								
Methodology Core – Select ONE of the following 8-credit options; must be completed before enrolling in any NS or SS core classes.								
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 210	Statistics	4	&	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 211	Research Methods	4
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 212	Research Design & Analysis I	4	&	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 213	Research Design & Analysis II	4
Elective (at any level) – Take 3 credits (can be ANY PSYC classes EXCEPT PSYC 002, 100, 250, or 301)								
Fill in the elective course(s) you completed: <input type="checkbox"/>							3	
Sociocultural Competency – Take 1 of the following:								
Other PSYC courses may meet this requirement depending on topic; check MyMadison. May fulfill other major requirements.								
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 220	Psychology & Culture	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 325	Counseling Psychology	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 308	Health Psychology	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 410	Psychology of the Workplace	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 310	Women & Gender	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC	Other	3	
Social Science Content Core – Take 3 of the following:				Natural Science Content Core – Take 3 of the following:				
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 330	Personality Psychology	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 375	Sensation and Perception	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 335	Abnormal Psychology	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 380	Cognitive Psychology	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 345	Social Psychology	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 385	Biopsychology*	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 365	Developmental Psychology	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 390	Psychology of Learning	3	
				<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 395	Comparative Animal Behavior	3	
Upper-Level Courses – Take 6 credits of the following:								
Prerequisite: 1 NS and 1 SS Core core. For 400, 401, 402, 403 note the total number of hours taken for each. **Application/permission required								
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 400	Advanced Topics		<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 428	Educational Psychology	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 401	Peer Advising**	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 430	Clinical Psychology	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 402	Independent Study**		<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 450	Child Abuse & Neglect	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 403	Independent Research**		<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 452	Child Psychopathology	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 410	Psyc of the Workplace	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 461	Study Abroad	1-4	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 415	Forensic Psychology	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 475	Psychology of Adulthood	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 425	School Psychology	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 480	Applied Behavior Analysis	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 427	Tests & Measurement	3					
Capstone Course – Take 1 of the following (3 credits required)								
Prerequisite to enroll in a capstone: 2 Social Science and 2 Natural Sciences courses.								
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 492	History of Psychology	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 497	Senior Seminar	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 495	Field Placement	4	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 499	Honors Thesis (A, B, & C)	6	
Degree Program These may double count toward a minor or second major but NOT GenEd	BS Degree		<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific Literacy Course (6 credits): Course 1: _____ Course 2: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Quantitative Competency Course (3 credits): Course: _____ BS course options: www.jmu.edu/registrar/BA_and_BS_Degree_Courses.shtml *PSYC 385 (Biopsychology) – must be one of your 3 completed Natural Science Core courses					
	BA Degree		<input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Language (through 232 or placement test): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> 3 credit hour approved Philosophy course (cannot double count with Gen Ed.): _____ BA course options: www.jmu.edu/registrar/BA_and_BS_Degree_Courses.shtml					
Other University Requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>	120 total credit hours (60 or more from 4-year institution and 30 or more from JMU)						
	<input type="checkbox"/>	General Education (41 credits)						
	<input type="checkbox"/>	2.0 minimum overall GPA						
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Submit Graduation Application https://www.jmu.edu/registrar/students/graduation_applyug.shtml						

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