PSYCHOLOGY (BA)

This program was approved for students entering the university in the Summer 2019–Spring 2020 catalog year. For more information about catalog year, go to Catalog Year Information (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/university-wide-unit-specific-policies/catalog-year).

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology
Unit: College of Arts and Sciences (AS) (http://www.louisville.edu/a-s)
Department: Psychological and Brain Sciences (http://louisville.edu/psychology)
Academic Plan Code(s): PSYCBA, PSYCBA_O

Program Information

This program can be completed in a traditional classroom format or entirely online (http://louisville.edu/online/program-finder).

The BA in Psychology prepares students for most bachelor’s-level careers as well as graduate school in psychology and other professional domains. Students develop the critical thinking and communication skills necessary to gather, interpret and present data. Psychology students can become intelligent consumers of information and active investigators of the fields of cognition, behavior, and brain science and how each facet of psychology impacts everyday decision-making.

Completion of this degree requires work to be submitted for the department’s Learning Outcomes Measurement. For details, contact the department.

Degree Summary

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1 Some credit hours from the General Education Requirements may be satisfied by courses defined by the program, in which case additional electives will be required to complete the minimum hours for the degree.

Specific coursework information can be found on the Degree Requirements tab.

Departmental Admission Requirements

Admission to the major in Psychology requires:

1. Completion of PSYC 201 with a minimum grade of C;
2. Completion of MATH 111 or higher level Math course;
3. Completion of PSYC 301 Statistics for Psychology (or departmentally-approved substitute) with a minimum grade of C;
4. Completion of 30 hours of degree-applicable credit with a minimum grade point average of 2.0; and
5. A minimum grade point average of 2.0 in Psychology.

The Application for Major form can be found on the Arts & Sciences Advising Center website (http://louisville.edu/artsandsciences/advising/apply).

General Education Requirements

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The following courses are required by the program and can satisfy the respective General Education Requirement:

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<td>PSYC 201</td>
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<td>MATH 111 or higher QR course</td>
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*All degrees require the completion of the University-wide General Education Program (link provided above). Some General Education requirements may be met in the requirements for the major or supporting coursework, in which case additional electives may be required to complete the minimum hours for the degree.

College/School Requirements

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<td>GEN 100</td>
<td>Student Success Center Orientation</td>
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<td>Foreign Language</td>
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<td>Electives in Humanities or Natural Sciences</td>
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<td>WR—two approved courses at the 300 level or above</td>
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Minimum Total Hours: 22

Program/Major Requirements

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<td>PSYC 302</td>
<td>Research Methods for Psychology</td>
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Core requirements: 12

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<td>Life Span Developmental Psychology</td>
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Psychology CUE course (see list below) | 3 |
Psychology electives | 12-15 |
Supporting Courses
Select TWO (2) of the following sequences (in addition to Programmatic Requirements):  
ANTH 201 and any Anthropology 300+ elective  
POLS 201 and any Political Science 300+ elective  
PHIL 311 and either PHIL 321 or PHIL 323  
SOC 201 and any Sociology 300+ level elective

Minimum Electives 6, 7  
Minimum Total Hours 68

Requirements for graduation include:
• Completion of PSYC 302 with a minimum grade of C
• Minimum grade of C-minus in all courses used to meet departmental requirements in the Psychology major
• Minimum grade point average of 2.0 in Psychology

Only 40 hours in the major department may be applied toward the Bachelor of Arts degree.

At least 50 of the total minimum hours required must be at the 300 level or above.

Flight Plan
Course  Title  Hours
Year 1
Fall
GEN 100 or GEN 101  Student Success Center Orientation  1
ENGL 101  Introduction to College Writing - WC  3
MATH 111  College Algebra - QR  3
PSYC 201  Introduction to Psychology - SB  3
General Education: Cardinal Core Social & Behavioral Sciences Historical Perspective - SBH  3
General Education: Cardinal Core Natural Sciences - S  3
Hours 16
Spring
ENGL 102  Intermediate College Writing - WC  3
Foreign Language 1  3-4
General Education: Cardinal Core Arts & Humanities US Diversity - AHD1  3
General Education: Cardinal Core Natural Sciences with Lab - B  4
Hours 14

Year 2
Fall
PSYC 301  Statistics for Psychology  3
PSYC 305  Brain and Behavior  3
PSYC 306  Life Span Developmental Psychology  3
General Education: Cardinal Core Oral Communication - OC  3
Foreign Language 2  3-4
Hours 16
Spring
PSYC 302  Research Methods for Psychology  3
PSYC 307  Cognitive Processes  3
PSYC 308  Abnormal Psychology  3
Humanities or Natural Science elective  3
Foreign Language 3  3-4
Hours 14

Year 3
Fall
Humanities or Natural Science elective (300 level or above)  3
Humanities or Natural Science elective (300 level or above)  3
PSYC elective (300 level or above)  3
PSYC elective (300 level or above)  3
Foreign Language 4 (if needed) or general elective  3
Hours 15
Spring
Psychology elective (300 level or above)  3
First Social Science Elective Sequence Course 1  3
General Education: Cardinal Core Arts & Humanities Global Diversity - AHD2  3
General elective (300 level or above)  3
General elective  3
Hours 15

Year 4
Fall
Psychology elective; CUE/WR or WR  3
Psychology elective (300 level or above)  3
First Social Science Elective Sequence Course 2  3
Second Social Science Elective Sequence Course 1  3
General elective  3
Hours 15

1 Completion of the intermediate level of a single foreign language  
2 In addition to courses counted toward Cardinal Core; 6 hours must be at 300 level or above  
3 May be incorporated into other degree requirements  
4 Fulfills Cardinal Core requirement  
5 Students should confirm any substitute course with the department prior to enrollment. Students who substitute a statistics course from another department will need to take an additional Psychology elective to complete the required number of Psychology hours for the program.  
6 At least 50 of the total minimum hours required for the degree must be at the 300 level or above.
Degree Audit Report
Degree Audit reports illustrate how your completed courses fulfill the requirements of your academic plan. What-if reports allow you to compare the courses you have completed in your current academic plan to the courses required in another academic plan. Should you have questions about either report, please consult with your academic advisor.

To create either report:

1. Log into your ULink account.
2. Click on the Student Services tab.
3. Next, click on "View my Academic Advisement Report" to run a Degree Audit report in the Undergraduate Advising area.
4. To create a What-if report, click on "Create a What-if Advisement Report."

Click here to run a Degree Audit report, or create a What-if report. (https://ulink.louisville.edu)

Flight Planner
Based on your major, the Flight Planner tool may be available for you to create a personalized Flight Plan. The Flight Planner can be found in the ULink Student Center. Consult with your advisor for assistance with the Flight Planner.