**Psychology (BS)**

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 Science 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): PSYCBS

**Program Information**

This degree program is designed to accommodate the needs of majors who intend to pursue careers in health or science fields and includes most of the required course work for a pre-med curriculum. This program requires a demanding sequence of supporting classes in biology, chemistry, physics, mathematics beyond the introductory level, as well as increased hours of electives in the major.

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. Students earning the BS in Psychology will satisfy at least 10 hours of General Education Requirements by courses defined by the program. Students who take MATH 205 and also apply it to satisfy the Quantitative Reasoning requirement will satisfy 14 hours. In either case, students who satisfy General Education Requirements by courses defined by the program will require additional electives 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 (or department-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:

- PSYC 201 Introduction to Psychology - SB
- BIOL 240 Unity of Life - S
- CHEM 201 General Chemistry I - S
- CHEM 207 Introduction to Chemical Analysis I - SL
- MATH 205 Calculus I - QR

*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>Electives in Humanities or Natural Sciences at 300+level</td>
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Psychology CUE course (see list below) 3
PSYC Electives 5, 7 18

Supporting Courses

BIOL 240  Unity of Life - S 3
BIOL 242  Diversity of Life - S 3
BIOL 244  Principles of Biology Laboratory - SL 2
CHEM 201  General Chemistry I - S 3
CHEM 202  General Chemistry II - S 3
CHEM 207  Introduction to Chemical Analysis I - SL 2
& CHEM 208  Introduction to Chemical Analysis II - SL 2
CHEM 209  Introduction to Chemical Analysis III 1
MATH 205  Calculus I - QR 8 4
PHYS 221  Fundamentals of Physics I - S 4
& PHYS 223  Fundamentals of Physics Lab I - SL 4
PHYS 222  Fundamentals of Physics II - S 4
& PHYS 224  Fundamentals of Physics Laboratory II - SL 4
Minimum Electives 5, 7 4-6
Minimum Total Hours 75-77

Requirements for graduation include:

- Completion of PSYC 302 with a minimum grade of C
- A minimum grade of C-minus in all courses used to meet departmental requirements in the Psychology major
- A minimum GPA of 2.0 in Psychology (PSYC) coursework

Only 60 hours in the major department may be applied toward the Bachelor of Science degree.

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

Course Title Hours

Culminating Undergraduate Experience (Graduation requirement) Requirement fulfilled by completing one of the following:

PSYC 400  Psychology Research and Public Communication - CUE 3
PSYC 407  Community Internships in Psychology - CUE 3
PSYC 408  International Service Learning and Research - CUE 3
PSYC 410  Giving Psychology Away: Critical Thinking and Public Communication - CUE 3
PSYC 412  Modifying Behavior - CUE 3
PSYC 415  Family Risk, Resilience and Mindfulness - CUE, WR 3
PSYC 420  History of Psychology: A Socio-Cultural Perspective - CUE, WR 3
PSYC 430  Psychology of Peace & Ethnic Relations - CUE 3
PSYC 433  Music Perception and Cognition - CUE 3
PSYC 440  Aging: Science and Stories - CUE, WR 3
PSYC 444  Exploration of Self: Theory and Research - CUE, WR 3
PSYC 485  Stress and Trauma - CUE, WR 3
PSYC 492  Undergraduate Psychology Research - CUE 3
PSYC 496  Honors Psychology Thesis - CUE, WR 3

1 Completion of the second semester of a single foreign language; hours will vary depending on the language taken
2 In addition to courses counted toward Cardinal Core

May be incorporated into other degree requirements
Fulfills a Cardinal Core Requirement.
Students should confirm any substitute class 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.

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

Students who satisfy Cardinal Core Requirements by courses defined by the program will require additional electives to complete the minimum hours for the degree.

Or higher level course

Flight Plan

Year 1

Fall

Course  Title  Hours

GEN 100  Student Success Center Orientation 1
- or GEN 101  or Arts and Sciences Orientation 1
ENGL 101  Introduction to College Writing - WC 3
BIOL 240  Unity of Life - S 3
PSYC 201  Introduction to Psychology - SB 3
CHEM 201  General Chemistry I - S 3
CHEM 207  Introduction to Chemical Analysis I - SL 1
CHEM 208  Introduction to Chemical Analysis II - SL 1

Spring

ENGL 102  Intermediate College Writing - WC 3
BIOL 242  Diversity of Life - S 3
BIOL 244  Principles of Biology Laboratory - SL 2
MATH 205  Calculus I - QR 4
CHEM 202  General Chemistry II - S 3
CHEM 209  Introduction to Chemical Analysis III 1

Year 2

Fall

PSYC 301  Statistics for Psychology 3
PSYC 305  Brain and Behavior 3
PSYC 306  Life Span Developmental Psychology 3
Foreign Language 1 3-4
General Education: Cardinal Core Oral Communication - OC 3

Year 3

Fall

PHYS 221  Fundamentals of Physics I - S 3
PHYS 223  Fundamentals of Physics Lab I - SL 1
General Education: Cardinal Core Arts & Humanities US Diversity - AHD1 3
Psychology elective 3
Psychology elective 3
Humanities or Natural Science elective (300 level or above) 3

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Fundamentals of Physics II - S | 3 |
| | PHYS 224  
Fundamentals of Physics Laboratory II - SL | 1 |
| | General Education: Cardinal Core Arts & Humanities Global Diversity - AHD2 | 3 |
| | Psychology WR elective (300 level or above) | 3 |
| | Psychology elective (300 level or above) | 3 |
| | Humanities or Natural Sciences elective (300 level or above) | 3 |
| | **Hours** | 16 |
| **Year 4** | **Fall** |  |
| | Psychology elective (300 level or above) | 3 |
| | Psychology WR elective | 3 |
| | General elective | 3 |
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| | General elective | 3 |
| | **Hours** | 15 |
| | **Spring** |  |
| | Psychology elective CUE | 3 |
| | Psychology elective (300 level or above) | 3 |
| | General elective (300 level or above) | 3 |
| | General elective | 3 |
| | General elective | 1 |
| | **Hours** | 13 |

**Minimum Total Hours** 121-123

**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.