

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, MAJOR IN PSYCHOLOGY

Program Specific Requirements

The courses within the Psychology Program are divided into four blocks:

Required Courses

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| PSYC 1301 | Introduction To Psychology | 3 |
| PSYC 2302 & PSYC 2102 | Intro To Research Methods and Intro To Research Methods Lab ¹ | 4 |
| PSYC 3301 & PSYC 3101 | Elementary Statistics and Statistics Laboratory | 4 |
| PSYC 3332 | History Of Psychology | 3 |

Experimental Block

Select six hours of the following: 6

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| PSYC 3333 & PSYC 3133 | Physiological Psychology and Physiological Psychology Lab | |
| PSYC 3336 | Sensation/Perception | |
| PSYC 3337 | Cognition | |
| PSYC 3382 | Comparative Psychology | |
| PSYC 3391 | Psychopharmacology | |
| PSYC 4332 | Learning | |
| PSYC 4392 | Industrial/Organizational Psy | |

Personality-Social-Developmental Block

Select six hours of the following: 6

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| PSYC 3365 | Close Relationships | |
| PSYC 3374 | Development Psychology | |
| PSYC 3381 | Social Psychology | |
| PSYC 4331 | Personality | |
| PSYC 4334 | Applied Social Psychology | |
| PSYC 4391 | Divorce: Psychological Impact | |

Clinical-Adjustment Block

Select six hours of the following: 6

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| PSYC 2307 | Intro to School Psychology | |
| PSYC 2315 | Psychology Of Adjustment | |
| PSYC 3331 | Abnormal Psychology | |
| PSYC 3334 | Human Sexuality | |
| PSYC 3371 | Humanistic Psychology | |
| PSYC 3383 | Psychology And The Law | |
| PSYC 3385 | Health Psychology | |
| PSYC 4388 | Psychological Testing | |
| PSYC 4393 | Positive Psychology | |

Select six hours of Psychology 6

Total Hours 38

¹ Please note that majors must take PSYC 2302/PSYC 2102 and PSYC 3301/PSYC 3301 in the Psychology Program once the student has enrolled at Sam Houston State University, unless the course has been transferred into the program. Also, please note that, as of Fall 2009, only grades of C or above in Psychology Program courses (those with the prefix PSYC) will count toward the major in Psychology.

In order to complete a major in Psychology, a student takes 14 hours from the Required Courses plus 6 hours from each of the three remaining blocks. Six hours of elective Psychology completes the 38 semester hours required for the major.

Psychology majors choose an approved minor of 18 semester hours, 6 of which must be advanced.

Note: Students should use elective and/or minor hours to satisfy the 42 advanced-hour requirement.

Bachelor of Science, Major in Psychology

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| Core Curriculum (catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum) | | | |
| Component Area I (Communication) | | | 6 |
| Component Area II (Mathematics) | | | 3 |
| Component Area III (Life and Physical Science) | | | 8 |
| Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture) | | | 3 |
| Component Area V (Creative Arts) | | | 3 |
| Component Area VI (U.S. History) | | | 6 |
| Component Area VII (Political Science/Government) | | | 6 |
| Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences) | | | 3 |
| Component Area IX (Component Area Option) | | | 4 |
| Degree Specific Requirements | | | |
| Natural Sciences | | | 8 |
| PHIL 3372 & PHIL 2303 & COMS 2382 | Philosophy Of Science and Critical Thinking and Comm. for Bus. & Professions | | 9 |
| Major Core | | | |
| PSYC 1301 | Introduction To Psychology ¹ | | 3 |
| PSYC 2302 & PSYC 2102 | Intro To Research Methods and Intro To Research Methods Lab | | 4 |
| PSYC 3301 & PSYC 3101 | Elementary Statistics and Statistics Laboratory | | 4 |
| PSYC 3332 | History Of Psychology | | 3 |
| Experimental Block | | | |
| Select six hours of the following: | | | 6 |
| PSYC 4391 | Divorce: Psychological Impact | | |
| PSYC 3333 & PSYC 3133 | Physiological Psychology and Physiological Psychology Lab | | |
| PSYC 3336 | Sensation/Perception | | |
| PSYC 3337 | Cognition | | |
| PSYC 3382 | Comparative Psychology | | |
| PSYC 3391 | Psychopharmacology | | |
| PSYC 4332 | Learning | | |
| PSYC 4392 | Industrial/Organizational Psy | | |
| Personality-Social Development Block | | | |
| Select six hours of the following: | | | 6 |
| PSYC 3365 | Close Relationships | | |
| PSYC 3374 | Development Psychology | | |
| PSYC 3381 | Social Psychology | | |
| PSYC 4331 | Personality | | |
| PSYC 4334 | Applied Social Psychology | | |
| PSYC 4391 | Divorce: Psychological Impact | | |
| Clinical Adjustment Block | | | |
| Select six hours of the following: | | | 6 |
| PSYC 2307 | Intro to School Psychology | | |
| PSYC 2315 | Psychology Of Adjustment | | |
| PSYC 3331 | Abnormal Psychology | | |
| PSYC 3334 | Human Sexuality | | |
| PSYC 3371 | Humanistic Psychology | | |
| PSYC 3383 | Psychology And The Law | | |
| PSYC 4388 | Psychological Testing | | |
| PSYC 4393 | Positive Psychology | | |
| PSYC Electives | | | 6 |

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| Minor (required) | 18 |
| Electives | 8 |
| Total Hours | 120 |

¹ Satisfies both the requirement for the major and Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences).

First Year

| Fall | Hours Spring | Hours |
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| Component Area II (catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaaii) | 3 Component Area III (catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaaiii) | 4 |
| Component Area III (catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaaiii) | 4 ENGL 1302 ¹ | 3 |
| Component Area IX (catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaaix) | 1 HIST 1301 ³ | 3 |
| ENGL 1301 ¹ | 3 POLS 2305 ⁴ | 3 |
| PSYC 1301 ² | 3 PSYC Block Elective ⁵ | 3 |
| | 14 | 16 |

Second Year

| Fall | Hours Spring | Hours |
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| HIST 1302 ³ | 3 Component Area IV (catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaaiv) | 3 |
| Natural Science Elective | 4 Component Area IX (catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaaix) | 3 |
| POLS 2306 ⁴ | 3 Natural Science Elective | 4 |
| PSYC 3101 | 1 PSYC 2302 & PSYC 2102 | 4 |
| PSYC 3301 | 3 PHIL 2303 | 3 |
| | 14 | 17 |

Third Year

| Fall | Hours Spring | Hours |
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| Component Area V (catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaav) | 3 Elective | 3 |
| Elective | 3 Minor Elective | 3 |
| Minor Elective | 3 Minor Elective | 3 |
| PSYC Block Elective (Advanced) ⁵ | 3 PSYC Block Elective (Advanced) ⁵ | 3 |
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Fourth Year

| Fall | Hours Spring | Hours |
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| Elective | 2 COMS 2382 | 3 |
| Minor Elective | 3 Minor Elective | 3 |
| Minor Elective | 3 PSYC Electives | 6 |
| PHIL 3372 | 3 PSYC 3332 | 3 |
| PSYC Block Elective (Advanced) ⁵ | 3 | |
| | 14 | 15 |

Total Hours: 120

¹ Satisfies requirement for Component Area I (Communication).

² Satisfies both the requirement for the major and Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences).

3 Satisfies requirement for Component Area VI (U.S. History).

4 Satisfies the requirement for Component Area VII (Political Science/Government).

5 **Experimental Block** select 6 hours of the following: PSYC 3333 & PSYC 3133, PSYC 3336, PSYC 3337, PSYC 3382, PSYC 3391, PSYC 4332, PSYC 4392

Personality-Social Development Block select 6 hours of the following: PSYC 3365, PSYC 3374, PSYC 3381, PSYC 4331, PSYC 4334, PSYC 4391, PSYC 4392

Clinical-Adjustment Block select 6 hours of the following: PSYC 2307 PSYC 2315, PSYC 3331 PSYC 3334, PSYC 3371 PSYC 3383, PSYC 3385, PSYC 4388, PSYC 4393