

Psychology Major (34 cr.) 2020

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Please note that departmental contact is strongly recommended to further help with your academic planning. Irregularities in offerings do occur as a result of sabbaticals and medical leaves.

Important information for PSYC majors: (There is no PSYC minor offered at H-SC.)

- PSYC majors are prepared and able to pursue advanced study or careers in fields besides just Psychology (law, medicine, business, education, coaching, law enforcement, etc.) Majors learn how to find and interpret research and how to use those research findings to form evidence based conclusions.
- Students are encouraged to complete PSCY 101 by the end of their freshman year.
- PSYC 250 is **STRONGLY** recommended to be taken during the sophomore year, but must be completed during the junior year of study.
- Students may develop interdisciplinary majors within the social and natural sciences with the approval of the departments concerned.
- Students are also strongly encouraged to complete at least one 300-level lab during their junior year. Taking multiple upper-level lab courses in the same semester should be avoided.
- Students seeking admission to graduate study in Psychology are encouraged to take more than the required number of courses in Psychology and to choose their electives from Sociology or Biology.
- Students interested in graduate programs should inquire into research opportunities during their sophomore years. Creating and conducting a research project takes time. Summer internships in related employment settings are also highly regarded by members of graduate admissions committees.

_____ PSYC 101	Biology courses are very helpful for students taking PSYC 101, 301, 303 & 313.
_____ PSYC 250 (4) →	MATH 121 (Statistics) is a useful course for students taking PSYC 250.
_____ PSYC 301/351 (Fall) Co-requisites	OR PSYC 312/352 (Spr.) Co-requisites
_____ PSYC 306/356 (Fall) Co-requisites	OR PSYC 315/355 (Spr.) Co-requisites
_____ PSYC 350	
_____ PSYC 450	
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_____ PSYC _____	300+level with 1 credit lab from one of the pairs not selected above.

Although the lecture courses may be taken without the lab sections (ex: to fulfill a PSYC elective), the lab sections **MUST** be taken at the same time as the corresponding lecture courses.

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Successful completion of the above items does not alone guarantee that graduation requirements have been met. Please see advisor.

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