PSYCHOLOGY, B.A.

The Psychology Major provides a background for entry into a variety of professions other than psychology where understanding the principles of behavior and cognition is important. It also provides the necessary background for individuals planning to do graduate work in either basic or applied psychology.

The curriculum provides students with a structured, sequenced exposure to six core areas in psychology. These are: behavior analysis; biopsychology; clinical psychology; cognitive psychology; development psychology; and, social psychology. Majors must sample from at least four domains at the intermediate (200) level, but can choose a narrower or broader sampling of upper level courses. The curriculum also affords hands-on experience with scientific psychology via laboratory courses and field experiences.

The Psychology Major for the Bachelor of Science degree serves students who want additional training in science, math, statistics, and research methods relative to the Bachelor of Arts degree.

Overall Requirements

- 120 credit hours, to include at least 36 credits at or above the 300 course level
- Minimum 35 credits in psychology
- Students must earn a grade of at least C- in all psychology courses required for the major.

Degree Program Requirements

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University Requirements (https://catalog.uncg.edu/academic-regulations-policies/undergraduate-policies)

General Education Core Requirements (GEC) (https://catalog.uncg.edu/academic-regulations-policies/undergraduate-policies/general-education-program/#generaleducationcorerequirementstext)

College of Arts and Sciences Additional Requirements (LEC) (https://catalog.uncg.edu/arts-sciences/#additionalundergraduaterequirementstext)

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| Required | Statistics in Behavioral Science Research | 7            |
|          | Research Methods in Psychology            |              |
|          | Research Methods in Psychology: Lab       |              |

**Upper-level courses**

Select a minimum of four additional PSY courses at the 300 level or above

- Must include at least two courses as the 400 level or above.
- Students may not complete GSB requirements solely with courses in Psychology.
- PSY 433 may not be used to fulfill this requirement.
- Counts toward GEC GSB requirement.

Optional Concentration

The optional concentration as detailed following the major requirements may be added, but is not required.

- Psychology with Social Studies High School Teaching Licensure

Electives

Electives sufficient to complete the 120 credit hours required for degree.

Psychology with Social Studies High School Teaching Licensure Concentration Requirements

Students majoring in psychology may elect to pursue teacher licensure in Social Studies. Completion of teacher licensure will enable one who wishes to teach Social Studies curricula in the secondary schools to gain the background for teaching psychology courses as well. See the requirements for completion of Teacher Licensure in Social Studies under School of Education Licensure Programs. The university, college, and departmental major requirements are the same as for any other psychology major. Additional semester hours may be required for completion of the degree.

Those intending to gain teacher licensure are encouraged to choose electives in Sociology, Philosophy, Religious Studies, or Anthropology that address human behavior and experiences from complementary or, perhaps, alternative perspectives.