

# PSYCHOLOGY CONCENTRATION

## Psychology Concentration Objectives

Students in the Psychology concentration will:

- **Knowledge Base:** describe key concepts, principles and overarching themes in psychology; develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains; and describe applications of psychology.
- **Scientific Inquiry and Critical Thinking:** use reasoning to interpret psychological phenomena; demonstrate psychology information literacy; engage in innovative and integrative thinking and problem solving; interpret, design, and conduct basic psychological research; and incorporate sociocultural factors in scientific inquiry.
- **Ethical & Social Responsibility in a Diverse World:** apply ethical standards to evaluate psychological science and practice; build and enhance interpersonal relationships; and adopt values that build community at local, national, and global levels.
- **Communication:** demonstrate effective writing for different presentation purposes; exhibit effective presentation skills for different purposes; and interact effectively with others.
- **Professional Development:** apply psychological content and skills to career goals; exhibit self-efficacy and self-regulation; refine project-management skills; enhance teamwork capacity; and develop meaningful professional direction for life after graduation.

Students in the Psychology concentration will take:

### Foundational Course

PSY 260	Introduction to Psychology
or PSY 263	Honors: Core Concepts in Psychology

### Foundational Perspective Courses

Students must take at least one course from 3 of the 5 Foundational Perspectives:

#### Developmental Perspective

PSY 360	Child and Adolescent Development
PSY 361	Adult Development and Aging

#### Social and Cultural Context Perspective

PSY 465	Cross-Cultural Psychology
PSY 470	Social Psychology
PSY 473	Community Psychology

#### Cognition and Learning Perspective

PSY 373	Cognitive Psychology
PSY 377	Educational Psychology
PSY 486	Judgement and Decision Making

#### Biological Perspective

PSY 374	Introduction to Neuroscience
PSY 375	Health Psychology
PSY 483	Drugs and Behavior

#### Clinical Perspective

PSY 355	Introduction to Psychopathology
PSY 472	Child Psychopathology
PSY 480	Counseling Theory and Practice

#### Two Elective Courses

Electives can be taken from any remaining courses in the Perspectives above or from any of the courses listed below:

PSY 353	Psychology of Personality
PSY 365	Environmental Psychology *
PSY 371	Applied Psychology *
PSY 372	Positive Psychology *
PSY 376	Research Methods in Psychology *
PSY 378	Industrial and Organization Psychology
PSY 386	Research Methods in Psychology II: Psychological Research and Statistics *
PSY 391	Psychology Internship
PSY/MGT 440	The Design Thinking Process *
PSY 471	Gender in Childhood *
PSY 481	Exercise and Sport Psychology
PSY 482	Forensic Psychology
PSY 484	Psychological Testing and Assessment *
PSY 497	Directed Study in Psychology

<sup>1</sup> At least two (2) courses must be taken at the 400 level.

<sup>2</sup> At least one (1) course must be research intensive, as designated by \*

<sup>3</sup> No more than one (1) course can be transferred from another institution.