Requirements for the Psychology Major

(Updated and Approved in March 2019)

12 units (10 in Psychology and 2 supporting courses)

Three units of required core courses:
PSYC 100, Introduction to Psychology (1 unit)
PSYC 161, Research Methods & Statistics I (1 unit)
PSYC 162, Research Methods & Statistics II (1 unit)
One unit in developmental psychology:
PSYC 210, Life-Span Developmental Psychology (1 unit)
PSYC 215, Child Growth and Development (1 unit)
PSYC 225, Psychology of Women (1 unit) (if taken in SP'20, can count here or in soc/cult cluster)
One unit in experimental psychology:
PSYC 230, Biological Psychology (1 unit)
PSYC 235, Sensation and Perception (1 unit)
PSYC 240, Memory and Cognition (1 unit)
One unit in personality or abnormal psychology:
PSYC 250, Personality Psychology (1 unit)
PSYC 252, Psychological Disorders (1 unit)
One unit in social or cultural psychology:
PSYC 260, Principles of Social Psychology (1 unit)
PSYC 265, Cross-Cultural Psychology (1 unit)
PSYC 285, Political Psychology of Identity (1 unit)
Two units of capstone credit at the 300-level, selected from:
PSYC 300, Perspectives in Psychology, Past and Present (1 unit, CP)
PSYC 305, Applied Developmental Psychology (1 unit, CP)
PSYC 325, Psychology Practicum (1 unit, CP , L1)
PSYC 360, Advanced Social Psychology (1 unit, CP)
PSYC 375, Psychotherapy (1 unit, CP)
PSYC 385, Advanced Topics in Psychology (1 unit, CP); can be repeated if topics differ
e.g., Animal Cognition, Sensory Disorders and Enhancements
PSYC 380, Senior Thesis (0.5 unit per semester, by invitation, CP)
One additional elective unit in psychology.
PSYC, elective unit taken at Beloit or transferred in
Two units of supporting coursework from outside of the department that address concepts, issues, and/or
methods relevant to psychologists and the student's academic and career goals; courses should be selected
in consultation with academic advisor; at least one must be completed after the major is declared. Course code and title:
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You may take up to 3 units of Psychology at another college and apply those credits toward your PSYC requirements, but permission must be obtained in advance. First, talk with your advisor before enrolling in the course. Then, complete a "Request Form" and submit it to the department chair. Please include supporting material (e.g., course description, course syllabus) to help us evaluate your request.