

**APPROVAL PAGE
-CURRICULUM PROPOSAL**

Proposal Title: PSYC UG: Same menu of electives for BA and BS degree plans

College: Liberal Arts

Department: Psychology

DEPARTMENT CHAIR- Wendy S. Francis

I have read the enclosed proposal and approve this proposal on behalf of the department.

Wendy S. Francis

8/25/2026

Signature

Date

COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIR – Selfa A. Chew-Melendez

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college curriculum committee.

Signature

Date

COLLEGE DEAN – Anadeli Bencomo

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college. I certify that the necessary funds will be allocated by the college in support of this proposal.

Signature

Date

CURRICULUM CHANGE MEMO

Date: 9/23/2025

From: Ana I. Schwartz, Professor, Department of Psychology



Through: Wendy S. Francis, Chair, Department of Psychology



Through: Anadeli Bencomo, Dean, College of Liberal Arts

To: Alexander Friedman, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee or Graduate Council

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Select the proposal content (select as many as apply) and provide the rationale.

Content

☐ New program or ☒ Program Change

☒ Bachelor's

☐ Master's

☐ Doctoral/Professional

☐ Certificate

☐ Fast Track

☐ Minor

☐ Concentration/Track

☐ New Course

☐ Closure (program, certificate, minor, concentration)

☐ Change

☐ CIP Code

☐ Program/certificate SCH

☐ Course Title

☐ Course Description

☐ Graduate Program Admission Requirements

Rationale

Currently the BA and BS degree plans have mostly overlapping, yet somewhat different menus from which students can select upper division electives. These distinctive menus are out of date and make no sense. There is no pedagogical or curriculum reason to have different menus of electives for the two degree plans. With this change both degree plans will have the same menu of electives. The degree plans are already meaningfully different in their core course requirements.

Degree Plan

Copy and paste text (if applicable) and degree plan from catalog here

See attachments

BA Psychology Degree Plan

Required Credits: 120

Code	Title	Hours
Minor Required		
This program requires the selection of a minor.		18
Upper Division Hours		
This degree plan requires completion of 39 upper-division hours.		
Designated Core		
Math Requirement (Courses require a grade of C or better.)		
Select one course of the following:		3
MATH 1309	College Algebra	
MATH 1312	Calculus II	
MATH 1320	Math for Social Sciences I	
MATH 1411	Calculus I	
MATH 1508	Precalculus	
MATH 2313	Calculus III	
STAT 1380	Statistical Literacy	
A higher level calculus course		
University Core Curriculum		
Complete the University Core Curriculum requirements.		42
Psychology Major		
Required Courses:		
PSYC 1301	Introduction to Psychology ^c	3
PSYC 1303	Statistical Methods ^c	3
PSYC 3102	Professional Development	1
PSYC 3340	Research Methods	3
PSYC Elective:		
Select one of the following courses ^c :		3
PSYC 3320	Learning & Memory	
PSYC 3330	Sensation and Perception	
PSYC 3331	Cross-Cultural Psychology	
PSYC 3346	Drugs, the Brain and Behavior	
PSYC 3347	Behavior Modification	
PSYC 3348	Cognitive Psychology	
PSYC 3350	Health Psychology	
PSYC 4301	Psychological Testing	
PSYC 4310	Adolescent Development	
PSYC 4311	Advanced Topics-Dev Psyc	
PSYC 4312	Advanced Psychopathology	
PSYC 4313	Physical & Cognitive Aging	
PSYC 4315	Psych of Criminal Behavior	

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PSYC 4324	Psychobiology	
PSYC 4341	Motivation & Emotion	
PSYC 4345	Seminar in Psychology	
Select eighteen hours of the following, with at least twelve being upper-division 7 courses (21 credit hours) with 5 courses (15 credit hours) upper division and 2 courses (6 credit hours) at any level.:		18
PSYC 2302	Social Psychology	
PSYC 2305	Psychology of Human Sexuality	
PSYC 2306	Psychology of Personality	
PSYC 2310	Life Cycle Development	
PSYC 2312	Intro to Psychopathology	
PSYC 2324	Introductory Neuroscience	
PSYC 3315	Psychology and the Law	
PSYC 3320	Learning & Memory	
PSYC 3330	Sensation and Perception	
PSYC 3331	Cross-Cultural Psychology	
PSYC 3332	Neurobio of Social Motivation	
PSYC 3333	From Molecules to Behavior	
PSYC 3346	Drugs, the Brain and Behavior	
PSYC 3347	Behavior Modification	
PSYC 3348	Cognitive Psychology	
PSYC 3350	Health Psychology	
PSYC 4301	Psychological Testing	
PSYC 4302	Intro to Cognitive Neuroscienc	
PSYC 4309	History & Systems Psychology	
PSYC 4310	Adolescent Development	
PSYC 4311	Advanced Topics Dev Psyc	
PSYC 4312	Advanced Psychopathology	
PSYC 4313	Physical & Cognitive Aging	
PSYC 4314	Cognitive Development	
PSYC 4315	Psych of Criminal Behavior	
PSYC 4316	Language and Cognition	
PSYC 4317	Advanced Statistics	
PSYC 4318	Industrial & Org. Psychology	
PSYC 4319	Neuroanatomy	
PSYC 4321	Judgment and Decision Making	

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PSYC 4324	Psychobiology	
PSYC 4341	Motivation & Emotion	
PSYC 4343	Seminar in Meta-Analysis	
PSYC 4345	Seminar in Psychology	
PSYC 4352	Independent Research	
PSYC 4353	Honors Thesis	
Open Electives		
Select additional hours to complete a total of one hundred twenty hours		
Foreign Language		
Select six credit of Foreign Language. All six credits must be in the same language sequence.		6
Block Electives		
Complete twelve upper-division hours from the blocks below, with three to six hours in each		12
Total Hours		120

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BS Psychology Degree Plan

Required Credits: 120

Code	Title	Hours
Minor Required		18
This program requires the selection of a minor in Chemistry, Biological Science, Mathematics, or Physics.		
Designated Core (Courses require a grade of C or better.) ¹		
Select one of the following:		4
MATH 1411	Calculus I	
University Core Curriculum		
Complete the University Core Curriculum requirements.		42
Psychology Major		
Required Courses:		
PSYC 1301	Introduction to Psychology ^c	3
PSYC 1303	Statistical Methods ^c	3
PSYC 3102	Professional Development	1
PSYC 3340	Research Methods	3
PSYC 4317	Advanced Statistics	3
Major Electives		
Select three-eight courses (24 credit hours): five (15 credit hours) upper division, three (9 credit hours) any level, from:		
PSYC 3320	Learning & Memory	
PSYC 3330	Sensation and Perception	
PSYC 3331	Cross-Cultural Psychology	
PSYC 3346	Drugs, the Brain and Behavior	
PSYC 3347	Behavior Modification	
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PSYC 4311	Advanced Topics Dev Psyc	
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PSYC 4315	Psych-of-Criminal Behavior	
PSYC 4321	Judgment and Decision-Making	
PSYC 4324	Psychobiology	
PSYC 4341	Motivation & Emotion	
PSYC 4345	Seminar in Psychology	
Select six hours of upper-division PSYC:		6
PSYC 3315	Psychology and the Law	
PSYC 3320	Learning & Memory	
PSYC 3330	Sensation and Perception	
PSYC 3331	Cross-Cultural Psychology	
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PSYC 4353	Honors Thesis	
Select nine additional hours of PSYC at any level:		9
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PSYC 4324	Psychobiology	
PSYC 4341	Motivation & Emotion	
PSYC 4343	Seminar in Meta-Analysis	
PSYC 4345	Seminar in Psychology	
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