

NEVADA STATE UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS, SCIENCES, & BUSINESS

PSYCHOLOGY, B.A.

COLLEGE CORE CURRICULUM (31-45 CREDITS)

Unless otherwise noted, please refer to the Nevada State catalog for full list of Core requirements. Classes in the major requirements may be used to satisfy the Core requirements; consult an Academic Advisor for details. Note: A single course cannot fulfill more than one core requirement.

 ENGLISH 3-8 CREDITS

Nevada State students can be placed into English courses by submitting ACT or SAT scores or by completing the Directed Self Placement survey to better guide their placement. Students who complete Composition II will satisfy the Core Curriculum Composition requirement. Typically, students take Composition I during their first semester at the college and Composition II during the second semester.

- English Composition I (ENG 100, 101, or 116) 3-5
 English Composition II 3

 STUDY AND TECHNOLOGY SKILLS 0-3 CREDITS

Transfer students with 30 or more transferrable college credits or Nevada State students who complete the Nepantla Summer Bridge Program with an average GPA of 3.0 or greater will be able to waive the Study and Technology Skills Core Requirement.

- College Success (CEP 123 or ALS 101N) 2-3

 MATHEMATICS 3-5 CREDITS

Nevada State students can be placed into Math courses by submitting ACT or SAT scores or by completing the Math Directed Self-Placement survey to better guide their placement. Please see your degree outline and/or consult an Academic Advisor regarding your specific major requirements.

 NATURAL SCIENCES 7-8 CREDITS

Students are required to take two science courses, at least one of which must include an associated laboratory component. Classes in the major may satisfy this requirement. Please see your degree outline and/or consult an Academic Advisor.

- Natural Science Core 3-4
 Natural Science Core with Lab 4

- SOCIAL SCIENCES 3 CREDITS
Classes in the major may satisfy this requirement. Please see your degree outline and/or consult an Academic Advisor.

- FINE ARTS 3 CREDITS

- HUMANITIES 6 CREDITS
Classes in the major may satisfy this requirement. Please see your degree outline and/or consult an Academic Advisor.

- Humanities Core 3
 Humanities Core 3

- CONSTITUTION 3-6 CREDITS

Completion of US and NV Constitutions required. Complete either one US Constitution course and one NV Constitution course or complete one course that fulfills both US and NV Constitutions (CH 203 or PSC 101).

- Nevada Constitution 0-3
 United States Constitution 0-3

- CULTURAL DIVERSITY 3 CREDITS
Classes in the major may satisfy this requirement. Please see your degree outline and/or consult an Academic Advisor.

For a full breakdown of requirements for the Psychology major, please refer to accompanying "Major Degree Checklist"

ADDITIONAL COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS (10 CREDITS)

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (48-49 CREDITS)

ADDITIONAL GENERAL ELECTIVES (18-31 CREDITS)

TOTAL CREDITS FOR DEGREE (120 CREDITS)

Check box when requirement is satisfied

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All courses used to fulfill major requirements must be completed with a minimum C-. Grades below a C- carry no credit towards major requirements.

ADDITIONAL COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS (10 CREDITS)

Social Sciences (6 Credits): 1) ANTH 101 or SOC 101 AND 2) For the Additional Social Science course, choose a different prefix from the core social science course above. Another Social Science Course: ANTH, COM (except 101 or 250), COU, CRJ (except 301 or 302), ECON (except 261 or 262), PSC, SOC (except 210 or 240), WMST

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | ANTH 101 | Intro to Cultural Anthropology | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | OR | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | SOC 101 | Principles of Sociology | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Elective | Additional Social Science | 3 |
- Choose one of the following:
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | BIOL 101 † | Biology for Non-Majors | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | OR | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | BIOL 189** † | Fundamentals of Life Science | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | OR | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | BIOL 190** † | Intro to Cell and Molecular Biology | 3 |

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (48-49 CREDITS)

INTRODUCTORY COURSE **3 CREDITS**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 101 | General Psychology | 3 |
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METHODS **6 CREDITS**

NOTE: Methods courses are only offered as in-person courses. These courses should be completed by the end of a student's sophomore year.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 210** | Intro to Statistical Methods | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 240** | Intro to Research Methods | 3 |

FOUNDATIONS AND PRINCIPLES **12 CREDITS**

Choose four courses. Two courses must be selected from Group I and two courses must be selected from Group II.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY | PSY Subgroup I | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY | PSY Subgroup I | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY | PSY Subgroup II | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY | PSY Subgroup II | 3 |

SUBGROUP 1

Choose at least two courses from the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 303** | Foundations of Neuroscience | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 305** | Foundations of Perception | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 416** | Cognitive Psychology | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 420** | Psychology of Learning | 3 |

SUBGROUP 2

Choose at least two courses from the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 201 | Lifespan Development | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 341** | Foundations of Abnormal Psychology | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 360** | Foundations of Social Psychology | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 435** | Personality | 3 |

APPLIED METHODS AND SPECIFIC POPULATIONS **6 CREDITS**

Choose two from the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | COU 320** | Drugs and Behavior | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 307** | Principles of Educational Psychology | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 450** | Industrial & Organizational Psychology | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 466** | Psychology of Sex | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 468** | Psychology of Inequality | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 469** | Psychology and the Legal System | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 470** | Health Psychology | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 481** | Principles of Psychological Assessment | 3 |

DIRECT LEARNING **3-4 CREDITS**

Choose one of the following (NOTE: All Direct Learning course options are only offered as in-person courses during Fall and Spring semesters.):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY | PSY Direct Learning | 3-4 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 375** | Advanced Undergraduate Research | 3 |

Students design their own empirical study, collect data from participants, and analyze and report their findings in an original research paper and conference-style poster. This option is best suited for those applying to research-oriented graduate programs.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 490** | Capstone in Psychology | 3 |
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Students conduct an extensive literature review on a topic of their choice and synthesize their findings in an original research paper and final presentation. This option is best suited for those wanting to build their professional skills for future employment.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | PSY 497** | Supervised Field Experience | 4 |
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Students complete 140 hours of undergraduate field experience (internship) in settings that provide direct clinical services; they also attend class weekly to review theory, discuss ethics, and provide group supervision. This option is best suited for those applying to clinically-oriented graduate programs.

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† Indicates a lab is required.

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NAME & NSHE ID #: _____

2023-2024 CATALOG
MAJOR DEGREE
CHECKLIST

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The general Psychology BA degree provides students the opportunity to choose from a broad selection of courses that will introduce you to core areas, major theoretical orientations, and contemporary research findings within the field of psychology. This versatile degree allows students to build their critical thinking and professional skills for future employment.

GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY SPECIALIZATION 18 CREDITS

Choose six PSY courses not already used (Except for PSY 101, PSY 210, and PSY 240, all psychology courses may be considered electives.).

<input type="checkbox"/> PSY	PSY Elective	3
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TOTAL CREDITS FOR DEGREE (120 CREDITS)

CONSIDER ADDING A MINOR TO COMPLEMENT YOUR DEGREE. THE FOLLOWING MINORS PAIR WELL WITH THE PSYCHOLOGY BA

- Biology
- Business
- Counseling
- Education/Instruction
- Gender & Sexuality
- Interdisciplinary Data Science
- Leadership
- School-Based Mental Health
- Sociology
- Social Justice

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