

Psychology

Introduction

The discipline of Psychology is the systematic study of thought, emotions and behavior of human beings. The B.S. in Psychology at UW-Stout has, as an overriding goal, a focus on application of theories, methods and concepts for the improved condition of people in a variety of environments. The program has been designed to adhere to the American Psychological Association standards for undergraduate education that emphasizes the scientific aspects of the profession as well as the liberal arts goals of Psychology. Students acquire competencies that lead to employment wherever psychology is applied in education institutions, public and private agencies, business and industry. In addition to the major study, all students are expected to develop literacy in the arts, humanities, natural sciences and social sciences. Each student is also expected to develop and demonstrate effective communication and quantitative skills as a part of the program's requirements.

Students are guided and assisted in developing a personal program plan centered on their individual needs and career goals. With careful planning, students may include self-planned concentrations with a more focused emphasis in one of a variety of unique career paths in psychology. Students entering the program should realize that they may need to obtain graduate level education or other advanced training for certain careers as practicing professional psychologists.

General Requirements

Bachelor of Science Degree

Total for graduation	120 credits
General Education	42 credits
Major Studies	40 credits
Minor or second area of depth	13-22 credits
Additional Liberal Studies Requirement.....	14 credits
Electives.....	6 credits

Students must attain a minimum grade point average of 2.25 in required courses for the major and a minimum grade point average of 2.5 in other courses for the major.

Program Requirements

General Education

42 credits required

A. Communication Skills 8 credits

ENGL-101 Freshman English – Composition or	
ENGL-111 Freshman English – Honors I.....	3
ENGL-102 Freshman English – Reading and Related Writing or	
ENGL-112 Freshman English – Honors II.....	3
SPCOM-100 Fundamentals of Speech	2

B. Analytic Reasoning 6 credits

STAT-130 Elementary Statistics (or more advanced)	2
MATH-120 Introductory College Mathematics I (or more advanced).....	4

C. Health and Physical Education 2 credits

Courses must be from areas of health, physical education or nutrition.

D. Humanities and the Arts 9 credits

Courses must be from three or more areas including art history, creative arts, foreign language and culture, history, literature, music appreciation, performing arts and philosophy.

E. Social and Behavioral Sciences 9 credits

Courses must be from three or more areas including anthropology, economics, geography, political science, psychology and sociology.

PSYC-110 General Psychology	3
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F. Natural Sciences (with Lab) 4 credits

G. Technology 2 credits

H. General Education Electives 2 Credits

Courses must come from categories A, B, D, E and F.

Major Studies

42 credits required

Required Courses 13 credits

PSYC-100 Psychology Seminar I – Foundations	2
PSYC-190 Psychological Research Methods.....	4
PSYC-290 Interpreting Psychological Research.....	3
PSYC-300 Psychology Seminar II – Career Preparation	1
PSYC-320 Psychology: Its History and Systems.....	3

Psychology Domains 12 credits

Select at least one course from each domain:

Learning and Cognition

PSYC-451 Children's Learning.....	3
PSYC-330 Psychology of Learning	3
PSYC-442 Cognitive Processes	3

Personality and Social Processes

PSYC-360 Personality Theories and Applications	3
PSYC-270 Social Cognition and Behavior	3
PSYC-340 Psychology of Individual and Group Differences	3
PSYC-470 Social Influence	3

Biological Bases

COGS-101 Cognitive Science I	4
PSYC-333 Drugs and the Brain	3
PSYC-432 Perception	3
PSYC-391 Applied Psychophysiological Methods	3

Developmental

PSYC-251 Child Psychology	3
PSYC-351 Children's Social Reasoning	3
PSYC-352 Adolescent Psychology.....	3

Applied **6 credits**

Select 6 credits from the following:

COUN-405	Introduction to Basic Counseling Skills	3
PSYC-120	Psychology of Adjustment	3
PSYC-280	Forensic Psychology, Law and Ethic	3
PSYC-281	Environmental Psychology	3
PSYC-350	Culture and Psychology	3
PSYC-355	Clinical and Counseling Psychology	3
PSYC-361	Abnormal Psychology	3
PSYC-370	Interpersonal Effectiveness	2
PSYC-371	Introduction to Health Psychology	3
PSYC-377	Consumer Psychology	3
PSYC-381	Industrial/Organizational Psychology	3
PSYC-382	Human Resource Management	3
PSYC-403	Management of Employee Reward Systems	3
PSYC-485	Recruitment and Selection of Human Resources	3

Experiential/Capstone **6 credits**

Select one or two courses.

PSYC-X49	Cooperative Education Experience in Psychology	1-8
PSYC-X98	Psychology Field Experience	2
PSYC-390	Experimental Psychology	4
PSYC-480	Individual Research Project I and	
PSYC-481	Individual Research Project II	1
PSYC-X99	Independent Study**	2-3

**Must involve research and be approved by the advisor as meeting the requirement of this category.

Psychology Selectives

Selectives sufficient to meet minimum of credits for the major.

XXX-XXX Selectives

Consult with adviser for current listing of selectives.

Minor or Second Area of Depth**13-22 credits required**

Students are expected to take a minor, specialization or self-planned concentration. The self-planned concentration (22-credit minimum) allows students to select course work and learning experiences that relate to a particular area of interest, and must be planned with an adviser and approved by a committee of at least three persons designated by the Psychology Program Committee.

Additional Liberal Studies Requirements**6 credits required**

XXX-XXX	Any science	3
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Select 3 credits from the following:

ENGL-125	Professional Writing Elements of Style	3
ENGL-207	Writing For the Media	3
ENGL-245	Creative Writing	3
ENGL-247	Critical Writing	3
ENGL-320	Business Writing	3
ENGL-415	Technical Writing	3

Electives**6 credits required**