

# REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PSYCHOLOGY

## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

### THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education:

**Summer 2009 through Spring 2010**

Minimum Credit Hours and Grade Point Averages Required			
Total Hours —	120	Upper-Division Within Total	48
Major Hours —	48	Upper-Division Within Major	36
<b>Grade Point Averages:</b>			
Overall & Major: Combined OU/Transfer - <b>3.00</b> OU - <b>2.00</b>			
<b>48 Upper-Division Hours REQUIRED</b>			

Psychology  
(Professional Option)

**B801**  
Bachelor of Science  
in Psychology

**OU encourages students to complete at least 30 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in four years.**

GENERAL EDUCATION AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS Courses graded P/NP will not apply.	Some courses required for the major may also fulfill University General Education and/or College of Arts & Sciences Requirements																																																																																																																																																																																																																														
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Beginning Course, continued (0-5 hours) _____</li> </ol> <p>◆ 3. Intermediate Course (2000 level, 0-3 hours). _____ One course at the intermediate level or demonstrated competency at that level.</p> <p>c. <b>Mathematics</b> (3 hours, 1 course). _____</p> <p><b>Core Area II: Natural Science</b> (7 hours, 2 courses) including one laboratory component.</p> <p>◆ 1. <b>Biological Science</b> _____ Chosen from the following approved General Education designators: BIOL, BOT, HES, MBIO, or ZOO.</p> <p>◆ 2. <b>Physical Science</b> _____ Chosen from the following approved General Education designators: AGSC, ASTR, CHEM, GEOG, GEOL, GPHY, METR, or PHYS.</p> <p><b>Core Area III: Social Science</b> (6 hours, 2 courses)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Political Science 1113, American Federal Government</li> <li>2. _____</li> </ol> <p><b>Core Area IV: Humanities</b> (18 hours, 6 courses)</p> <p>a. <b>Understanding Artistic Forms</b> (3 hours, 1 course) _____</p> <p>b. <b>Western Civilization and Culture</b> (6 hours, 2 courses)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. History 1483, U.S., 1492-1865, or History 1493, U.S., 1865-Present,</li> <li>2. _____ (excluding HIST 1483 and 1493)</li> </ol> <p>c. <b>Non-Western Culture</b> (3 hours, 1 course): _____</p> <p>d. <b>Additional Core IV Humanities courses</b> (6 upper-division hours, 2 courses at the 3000- 4000-level). Must be outside the major and selected from Understanding Artistic Forms, Western Civilization and Culture, or Non-Western Culture.</p> <p>◆ 1. _____</p> <p>◆ 2. _____</p> <p><b>Core Area V: Senior Capstone Experience</b> (3 hours, 1 course): _____</p> <p>◆ College of Arts and Sciences Requirements: College requirements are not automatically fulfilled by a previous degree.</p> <p><b>Computer Literacy Requirement</b> — Students must demonstrate computer proficiency which includes the competent use of a variety of software and networking applications. This requirement may be satisfied by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A high school computer science course that meets curricular requirement; or</li> <li>2. Completion of a college-level course that requires competent use of computing; or</li> <li>3. Completion of a university computer proficiency assessment test.</li> </ol>	<p><b>PSYCHOLOGY</b></p> <p><b>A. 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## INFORMATION CONCERNING GENERAL RULES, REGULATIONS AND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

**TOTAL HOURS:** A minimum of 120 semester hours acceptable toward graduation must be completed.

**UPPER-DIVISION HOURS:** A minimum of 48 upper-division semester hours acceptable toward graduation must be completed. OU courses numbered 3000 or above are upper-division. Transfer work is counted as lower-division or upper-division credit depending on the level at which it was offered at the institution where it was earned. Two-year college work is accepted only as lower-division credit.

**ARTS AND SCIENCES HOURS:** At least 80 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BA degree. At least 55 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BS degree.

**MAJOR WORK:** A minimum of 30 semester hours must be earned in the major, including a minimum of 15 credit hours at the upper-division level.

**PASS/NO PASS ENROLLMENT:** A maximum of 16 semester hours of free elective credit may be attempted under this option.

**INDIVIDUAL STUDIES (e.g., courses titled "Independent Study"):** A maximum of 12 total semester hours may be counted toward graduation, excluding Honors Reading and Honors Research.

**P.E. COURSES:** No physical education activity courses will be counted toward the 120 semester hours of acceptable credit for graduation.

**SENIOR INSTITUTION HOURS:** A minimum of 60 semester hours applied toward graduation must be earned at senior (4-year) institutions.

**RESIDENCY:**

- At least 15 of the final 30 hours applied toward the degree or at least 50 percent of the hours required by the institution in the major field must be satisfactorily completed at the awarding institution.
- At least 15 semester hours of upper-division major work must be completed in residence at OU.
- OU correspondence courses are **not** considered resident credit.
- Credits earned via examination are neither resident nor nonresident credit.

**GRADE POINT AVERAGES:** Students must earn a minimum overall 2.00 for each of the following: Combined Retention GPA (all college grades), OU Retention GPA, GPA for all major courses, and GPA for all major courses taken at OU. Some schools and departments of the College have higher minimum grade point averages required for their students.

**SPECIAL DEGREES:** Students may qualify for an Honors degree (cum Laude, Magna cum Laude, or Summa cum Laude) by completing specific requirements of the Honors College. A degree will be earned with Distinction if the student completes at least 60 semester hours at OU with at least a 3.60 combined retention GPA and OU retention GPA. A degree will be earned with Special Distinction if the student completes at least 60 semester hours at OU with at least a 3.90 combined retention GPA and OU retention GPA.

**APPLICATION FOR GRADUATION:** Students must apply for graduation during the term in which they complete their degree requirements in order to graduate in that term. Application forms are available from the College of Arts and Sciences Academic Services office, Ellison Hall, Room 124. The deadline for completion of all coursework to graduate in a particular term is the last day of classes in that term.

### Refer to the OU General Catalog for more complete information.

#### Suggested Semester Plan of Study — Psychology (Professional Option) - B801

This plan shows one possible grouping of courses that would allow students to graduate in four years. Please refer to the front of the degree checksheet for official requirements. Students must consult with College of Arts and Sciences and/or Department of Psychology academic advisers to verify that courses selected each semester fulfill the recommended plan and satisfy university, College of Arts and Sciences, and Psychology major requirements.

Year	FIRST SEMESTER	Hours	SECOND SEMESTER	Hours
<b>FRESHMAN</b>	ENGL 1113, Principles of English Composition (Core I)	3	ENGL 1213, Principles of English Composition (Core I), <b>or</b>	3
	MATH 1743, Calculus I for Business, Life & Social Sciences, <b>or</b> (Core I)	3	EXPO 1213, Expository Writing (Core I)	
	1823, Calculus & Analytic Geometry I		HIST 1483, United States 1492-1865, <b>or</b>	3
	P SC 1113, American Federal Government (Core III)	3	1493, United States 1865-Present (Core IV)	
	PSY 1113, Elements of Psychology	3	PSY 2113, Research Methods I: Statistics	3
	Western Civilization & Culture (Core IV)	3	PSY Major Elective from Group B. (see reverse side)	3
			Non-Western Culture (Core IV)	3
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>SOPHOMORE</b>	PSY 3114, Research Methods II: Applications and Experimental Design	4	CHEM 1315, General Chemistry, <b>or</b>	4-5
	PSY Major Elective from Group B. (see reverse side)	3	PHYS 2414, General Physics for Life Science Oriented Majors	
	Beginning Foreign Language (Core I)	5	PSY Major Elective from Group C. (see reverse side)	3
	Understanding Artistic Forms (Core IV)	3	ZOO 1114, Introductory Zoology (Core II)	4
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<b>JUNIOR</b>	C S 1313, Programming for Nonmajors, <b>or</b>	3	CHEM 1415, General Chemistry cont., <b>or</b>	4-5
	1323, Intro. to Computer Programming, <b>or</b>		PHYS 2424, General Physics for Life Science Oriented Majors	
	PSY 2503, Computing for Behavioral Sciences		PSY Major Elective from Group C. (see reverse side)	3
	PSY Major Elective from Group C. (see reverse side)	3	PSY Major Elective from Group D. (see reverse side)	3
	PSY Major Elective from Group C. (see reverse side)	3	PSY Major Elective from Group E. (see reverse side)	2-3
	Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3	Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3
Intermediate Foreign Language	3			
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15-17</b>
<b>SENIOR</b>	PSY Major Elective from Group D. (see reverse side)	3	PSY 4113, Capstone Survey of Major Fields of Psychology, <b>or</b>	3
	PSY Major Elective from Group D. (see reverse side)	3	4143, Capstone Practicum Experience, <b>or</b>	
	PSY Major Elective from Group E. (see reverse side)	3	4153, Capstone History of Psychology (Capstone)	
	Additional Science Support Elective (see reverse side)	3-5	PSY 4913, Bachelor of Science Thesis	3
	Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3	Additional Science Support Elective (see reverse side), upper-division	3
			HSCI or PHIL Major Support Elective (see reverse side)	3
		Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3	
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15-17</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>

\*If deficient in computer literacy, contact your college academic counselor in the Hobson Academic Services Center, ELLH 124, 325-4411, for approved courses.

**Bachelor's degrees require a minimum of 48 hours of upper-division (3000-4000) coursework.**

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