

PSYCHOLOGY

If you want to be a **Star Performer**, you can join the most popular major on campus—Psychology!



In the field or in the lab, our faculty have experience and great teaching skills to bring to the classroom.

Members of our faculty have won the College of Science & Health Professions' Teaching Excellence award three years in a row!

What can I do with a major or minor in Psychology?

Understanding psychology can give you a keen edge in the world of business, and as many as 40% of students with just an undergraduate degree go on to work in for-profit businesses or industry. Others go on to work in education, government or non-profit.

Many of the jobs that people think of as "psychology" also require graduate education and additional training. Check below for some other great areas that need people with a graduate degree in psychology.



School Psychologists work with parents, students and teachers to identify issues that may interfere with academic success. This is a great job if you like the idea of working in schools and helping young people. A specialist degree (between a Master's and Ph.D.) is required to enter this field.

If you want to work in a health-care setting to diagnose and recommend treatment for mental disorders, you might be interested in **Clinical Psychology**. Clinical Psychologists usually interview patients or give them assessment tests to determine the problem, then they may recommend types of therapy or refer the patient to a psychiatrist who can prescribe medication. A Master's or Ph.D. is required to enter this field.



Imagine designing your own experiments to test hypotheses about the mind and behavior. **Experimental or Research psychologists** are the creative cats and data heads of the psychology world.

Our researchers at CSU study aging, cognition, learning, memory, language, mood, workplace behavior, mental health, and much more. They may use high tech equipment to monitor attention and emotion, or they may use intricate pen-and-paper tests. If you like science, this aspect of psychology may be for you!

Other areas of psychology that may require graduate work are Industrial-Organizational psychology, Social psychology, Adult Development and Aging, and Counseling.

Psychology Major

REQUIRED COURSES:

You must complete all of the following courses:

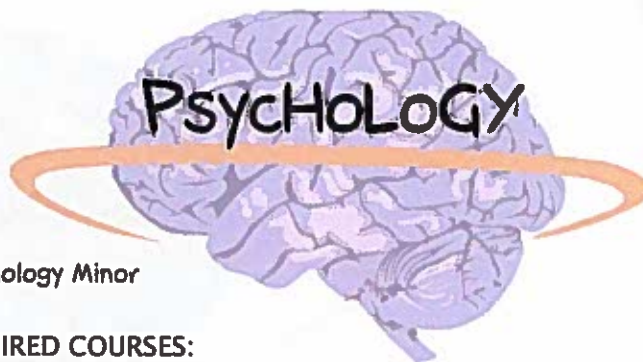
- PSY 101 (Introduction to Psychology)
- PSY 217 (Behavioral Science Statistics: Description) – (MTH 147, SOC 354, OMS 201, or BUS 201 can satisfy this requirement)
- PSY 317 (Behavioral Science Statistics: Inference) – (MTH 347 or OMS 202 can satisfy this requirement)
- PSY 312 (Research Methods)
- PSY 412 (Psychology Laboratory) or PSY 415 (Evaluating Psychological Research)
- PSY 499 (Exit Evaluation)

CORE COURSES: So that you will be exposed to a broad range of topic areas in psychology, you must take courses that are distributed across the four core areas listed below. You must complete at least one course from each of the following four core areas, and a second course from one of the core areas. Additional core courses that you take beyond this minimum will count toward the 'elective' requirement described in the next section.

- **Psychological Health Core:** PSY 345 (Abnormal Psychology) or PSY 353 (Health Psychology)
- **Social / Personality Core:** PSY 339 (Social Psychology) or PSY 342 (Psychology of Personality)
- **Perception and Cognition Core:** PSY 368 (Perceptual Processes) or PSY 372 (Memory and Cognition)
- **Neuroscience Core:** PSY 482 (Biological Basis of Behavior) or PSY 487 (Brain and Cognition)
- One additional course from any Core area

ELECTIVE COURSES: You must take enough Psychology courses so that you have completed 42 credits of psychology courses.

NOTE: For a course to count toward the Psychology major, you must earn a C or better.



Psychology Minor

REQUIRED COURSES:

You must complete both of the following courses:

- PSY 101 (Introduction to Psychology)
- PSY 312 (Research Methods)

CORE COURSES:

You must take courses that are distributed across the four core areas listed below. You must complete at least one course from three of the four core areas. Additional core courses that you take beyond this minimum will count toward the 'elective' requirement described in the next section.

- **Psychological Health Core:** PSY 345 (Abnormal Psychology) or PSY 353 (Health Psychology)
- **Social / Personality Core:** PSY 339 (Social Psychology) or PSY 342 (Psychology of Personality)
- **Perception and Cognition Core:** PSY 368 (Perceptual Processes) or PSY 372 (Memory and Cognition)
- **Neuroscience Core:** PSY 482 (Biological Basis of Behavior) or PSY 487 (Brain and Cognition)

ELECTIVE COURSES:

In addition to the courses listed above, you need to take enough other psychology courses of interest to you so that you complete at least 21 credits of psychology courses. These can be additional "core" courses beyond the minimum described above, or other psychology courses. **NO MORE THAN 3 ELECTIVE CREDITS MAY BE FROM COURSES NUMBERED BELOW 300!**

NOTE: For a course to count toward the Psychology minor, you must earn a C or better.

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