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Program highlights:

- Entire program can be completed online
- Learn the major theories, concepts, and historical trends in psychology
- Explore behavior, cognition, and emotion from multiple schools of thought and multicultural perspectives
- Gain experience examining evidence, analyzing assumptions, and applying research methods to solve problems in psychology

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MAJOR IN PSYCHOLOGY

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Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Articulate major theories, concepts, and historical trends in psychology.
- Explain behavior, cognition, and emotion from multiple schools of thought and multicultural perspectives.
- Identify a problem in psychology, examine available evidence, analyze assumptions, and apply research methods to solve the problem. This includes the ability to interpret numbers and apply basic statistical procedures.
- Write papers in psychology using different literary formats, e.g., narrative, exposition, critical analysis, and APA format.
- Perform information searches relevant to psychology and organize and evaluate the soundness of the information.
- Use current technologies in both research and communication.

Degree Requirements

To receive a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology degree, students must complete at least 180 quarter units as articulated below, 76.5 units of which must be completed at the upper-division level, 45 units which must be completed in residence at National University and a minimum 70.5 units of the University General Education requirements. The following courses are specific degree requirements. In the absence of transfer credit, students may need to take additional general electives to satisfy the total units for the degree. Students should refer to the section on undergraduate admission procedures for specific information on admission and evaluation. All students receiving an undergraduate degree in Nevada are required by state law to complete a course in Nevada Constitution.

Preparation for the Major

(2 courses; 9 quarter units)

- MTH 210* Probability and Statistics
Prerequisite: Accuplacer test placement evaluation or MTH 12A and MTH 12B
- PSY 100* Introduction to Psychology

* May be used to satisfy a General Education requirement.

Requirements for the Major

(11 courses; 49.5 quarter units)

- PSY 426 History & Philosophy of Psych
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- PSY 427 Biological Psychology
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- PSY 428 Developmental Psychology
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- PSY 429 Intro to Personality Theory
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- PSY 430 Intro to Psychopathology
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- PSY 432 Social Psychology
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- PSY 433 Cognitive Psychology
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- PSY 441 Global Psychology
Prerequisite: PSY 100
- HUB 441 Research Design and Analysis
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101, MTH 210 and PSY 100
- CHD 440 Drugs, Values and Society
- PSY 480 Senior Project
Prerequisite: All other courses required for the major must be completed prior to enrolling in this course.

OR

- PSY 491 Guided Study for Honors Students (variable units)
Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of core courses with a GPA of 3.75 or higher

Upper-Division Electives

(5 courses; 22.5 quarter units)

Students not pursuing a minor must choose five Upper-Division electives from following:

- BIO 420 Animal Behavior
Prerequisite: BIO 161, BIO 162, BIO 163 and BIO 100A
- CJA 400 Gangs in America
- BIS 301 Intro to Interdisc. Studies
- CJA 431 Criminology
- CJA 448 Violence and Society
- HUB 400 Group Structure & Dynamics
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- HUB 401 Conflict Resolution
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- HUB 410 Psychology for Managers
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- HUB 420 Human Communication
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- HUB 440 Organizational Development
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- HUB 500 Cross-Cultural Dynamics
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- PSY 302 Foundation of Sport Psychology
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- PSY 340A Counseling Techniques I
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- PSY 431 Psychological Testing
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- PSY 445 Applied Sport Psychology
Prerequisite: PSY 100 and PSY 302
- PSY 446 Positive Psychology
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- PSY 454 Psychology of Religion
Prerequisite: PSY 100 with a minimum grade of C and ENG 100 with a minimum grade of C
- PSY 455 Psychology of Bereavement
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- PSY 457 Forensic Psychology
Prerequisite: ENG 100 and PSY 100
- PSY 458 Health Psychology
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100
- PSY 469 Human Sexuality
- SOC 344 Marriage, Sex and the Family
Prerequisite: ENG 100 and ENG 101
- SOC 443 Sociology of Deviance
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and SOC 100
- SOC 445 Contemporary Social Problems
Prerequisite: ENG 100 and ENG 101

Other electives must be approved by the department chair or regional full-time or associate faculty. Students may not take PSY 301 as an Upper-Division elective.