

BA with a Major in Applied Psychology

Degree Requirements

To earn a Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences degree from UIC, students must complete university, college, and department degree requirements. The Department of Psychology degree requirements for the Major in Applied Psychology are outlined below. Students should consult the [College of Liberal Arts and Sciences](#) section for additional degree requirements and college academic policies.

Code	Title	Hours
Summary of Requirements		
Major Requirements		36
General Education and Electives to reach minimum Total Hours		84
Total Hours		120

General Education

See General Education and Writing-in-the-Discipline in the [College of Liberal Arts and Sciences](#) section for information on meeting these requirements.

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
PSCH 100	Introduction to Psychology ^a	4
PSCH 242	Introduction to Research in Psychology	3
PSCH 340	Psychological Testing	3
PSCH 343	Statistical Methods in Behavioral Science ^b	4
PSCH 385	Field Work in Applied Psychology ^c	6
Select at least one of the following:		3
PSCH 262	Behavioral Neuroscience	
PSCH 350	Sensation and Perception	
PSCH 351	Laboratory in Perception	
PSCH 352	Cognition and Memory	
PSCH 353	Laboratory in Cognition and Memory	
PSCH 360	Learning and Conditioning	
PSCH 361	Laboratory in Learning and Conditioning	
PSCH 363	Laboratory in Behavioral Neuroscience	
PSCH 366	Cognitive Neuroscience	
Select at least one of the following: ^d		3
PSCH 210	Theories of Personality	
PSCH 231	Community Psychology	
PSCH 270	Abnormal Psychology	
PSCH 312	Social Psychology	
PSCH 313	Laboratory in Social Psychology	
PSCH 320	Developmental Psychology	
PSCH 321	Laboratory in Developmental Psychology	
PSCH 324	Cultural Psychology	
PSCH 331	Laboratory in Community and Prevention Research	
Select at least one of the following:		3

PSCH 381	Psychology of Interviewing	
PSCH 382	Psychological Interventions	
PSCH 386	Crisis Counseling Techniques I	
Additional psychology courses for a minimum of 36 semester hours		7
Total Hours		36

- ^a This course is approved for the Understanding the Individual and Society General Education category.
- ^b PSCH 343 fulfills the LAS Quantitative Reasoning requirement.
- ^c PSCH 385 fulfills the Writing-in-the-Discipline requirement.
- ^d Students should consult the [General Education](#) section of the catalog to determine which of these courses are approved General Education courses.

Recommended Plan of Study

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Fall Semester		
ENGL 160	Academic Writing I: Writing in Academic and Public Contexts	3
Foreign Language		4
General Education Requirement course		3
General Education Requirement course		3
Hours		13
Spring Semester		
ENGL 161	Academic Writing II: Writing for Inquiry and Research	3
Foreign Language		4
PSCH 100	Introduction to Psychology	4
General Education Requirement course		3-5
Hours		14-16
Second Year		
Fall Semester		
Psychology Elective ^a		3
Foreign Language		4
General Education Requirement course		3
General Education Requirement course		3
General Education Requirement course		3
Hours		16
Spring Semester		
PSCH 242	Introduction to Research in Psychology	3
Psychology Selective ^{b,c}		3
Foreign Language		4
General Education Requirement course		3
Elective		3
Hours		16
Third Year		
Fall Semester		
PSCH 343	Statistical Methods in Behavioral Science ^d	4
Psychology Selective ^{b,c}		3
General Education Requirement course/Elective		3

General Education Requirement course/Elective		3
Electives		3
Hours		16
Spring Semester		
PSCH 340	Psychological Testing	3
Psychology Elective ^e		3
Electives		9
Hours		15
Fourth Year		
Fall Semester		
PSCH 381 or PSCH 382 or PSCH 386	Psychology of Interviewing or Psychological Interventions or Crisis Counseling Techniques I	3
Psychology Elective ^e		3
Electives		9
Hours		15
Spring Semester		
PSCH 385	Field Work in Applied Psychology	6
Electives		8
Hours		14
Total Hours		120

- a Psychology electives taken at this time are restricted to the 200-level, as 300-level PSCH courses cannot be taken until PSCH 242 is completed with a C or better.
- b At least one course must be taken from PSCH 262, PSCH 350, PSCH 351, PSCH 352, PSCH 353, PSCH 360, PSCH 361, PSCH 363, and PSCH 366. Consult a departmental advisor when choosing courses.
- c At least one course must be taken from PSCH 210, PSCH 231, PSCH 270, PSCH 312, PSCH 313, PSCH 320, PSCH 321, PSCH 324, and PSCH 331. Consult a departmental advisor when choosing courses.
- d A grade of C or better in PSCH 343 satisfies the Quantitative Reasoning requirement.
- e A combined maximum of 8 hours of credit in PSCH 396, PSCH 397, and PSCH 399 can be applied toward the degree.