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Students must also complete the Undergraduate Registration Requirement (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/requirements-policies/undergraduate-registration-requirement) and the degree requirements of their home school.

Course | Title
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PSYCH 110-0 | Introduction to Psychology
PSYCH 201-0 | Statistical Methods in Psychology (or approved substitute)
PSYCH 205-0 | Research Methods in Psychology

3 core courses:

8 additional courses:

At least 2 must be personality, clinical, or social psychology courses chosen from the list below.
At least 2 must be cognitive psychology or neuroscience courses chosen from the list below.
At least 1 must be a cross-cutting or integrative course chosen from the list below.
At least 1 must be an upper-level research course chosen from the list below.
At least 2 must be at the 200 level; COG_SCI 210-0 and COG_SCI 211-0 may count toward this requirement.
At least 3 must be at the 300 level.
A course may count toward more than one of these categories, but the total number of courses must be at least 8.

Related Courses (5 units)

2 200-level mathematics courses
3 additional units of credit chosen from the following:

Any 200-level mathematics course
COG_SCI 207-0 | Introduction to Cognitive Modeling
EECS 110-0 | Introduction to Computer Programming
EECS 111-0 | Fundamentals of Computer Programming
EECS 130-0 | Tools and Technology of the World-Wide Web

Any course outside of psychology and cognitive science counting toward the WCAS Area I natural sciences requirement
AP credits in biology, chemistry, environmental science, and physics

With department consent, PSYCH 351-0 may count as a related course.

First-year seminars do not count toward the major.
Only 1 quarter total of PSYCH 397-1 or PSYCH 399-0 may count toward the major.
Only 1 quarter of PSYCH 397-2 may count toward the major.

See Weinberg College rules about Independent Study and Undergraduate Seminars (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/#academicoptionstext) for further restrictions on enrollments in PSYCH 398-1, PSYCH 398-2, PSYCH 398-3, and PSYCH 399-0; these also apply to PSYCH 397-1 and PSYCH 397-2.

Personality, Clinical, or Social Psychology Courses

Course | Title
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PSYCH 204-0 | Social Psychology
PSYCH 215-0 | Psychology of Personality
PSYCH 303-0 | Psychopathology
PSYCH 306-0 | Introduction to Clinical Psychology
PSYCH 315-0 | Special Topics in Social/Clinical/Personality
PSYCH 326-0 | Social and Personality Development
PSYCH 357-0 | Advanced Seminar in Personality, Clinical, or Social Psychology
PSYCH 371-0 | Personality Research
PSYCH 375-0 | Psychological Tests & Measures
PSYCH 376-0 | Cognitive Behavior Therapy
PSYCH 377-0 | Child Psychopathology
PSYCH 384-0 | Close Relationships
PSYCH 385-0 | Psychology of Attitudes
PSYCH 386-0 | Stereotyping & Prejudice

Cognitive Psychology or Neuroscience Courses

Course | Title
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PSYCH 212-0 | Introduction to Neuroscience
PSYCH 228-0 | Cognitive Psychology
PSYCH 312-1 | Selected Topics in Neuroscience and Psychophysiology
PSYCH 312-2 | Selected Topics in Neuroscience and Psychophysiology
PSYCH 316-0 | Special Topics in Cognition/Neuroscience
PSYCH 321-0 | Neuroscience & Behavior Laboratory
PSYCH 324-0 | Perception
PSYCH 333-0 | Psychology of Thinking
PSYCH 334-0 | Language and Thought
PSYCH 335-0 | Decision Making
PSYCH 336-0 | Consciousness
PSYCH 346-0 | Psychology of Instructional Design and Technology
PSYCH 358-0 | Advanced Seminar in Cognition or Neuroscience
PSYCH 361-0 | Brain Damage and the Mind
PSYCH 362-0 | Cognitive Development
PSYCH 363-0 | Images of Cognition
PSYCH 365-0 | Brain and Cognition
PSYCH 368-0 | Human Memory
Cog_SCI 210-0 | Language and the Brain
Cog_SCI 211-0 | Learning, Representation & Reasoning

Cross-Cutting or Integrative Courses

Course | Title
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PSYCH 218-0 | Developmental Psychology
PSYCH 245-0 | Presenting Ideas & Data
PSYCH 248-0 | Health Psychology
PSYCH 249-0 | Buddhist Psychology
PSYCH 314-0 | Special Topics in Psychology
PSYCH 323-0 | Deception: Processes and Detection
PSYCH 332-0 | Native Americans and Environmental Decision Making
PSYCH 339-0 | Psychology of Gender
PSYCH 340-0 | Psychology and Law
PSYCH 341-0 | Positive Psychology: The Science of Well-Being
PSYCH 342-0 | Evolutionary Psychology
PSYCH 343-0 | Psychology of Beauty
PSYCH 344-0 | Cultural Psychology
PSYCH 351-0 | Advanced Statistics & Experimental Design
PSYCH 352-0 | Psychology and Food
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Honors in Psychology

Majors with strong academic records and an interest in pursuing honors should submit an application in spring of junior year. Course grades and research experience are both considered in selecting participants. Students typically enroll in PSYCH 398-1 in fall, PSYCH 398-2 in winter, and PSYCH 398-3 in spring of senior year and carry out a yearlong research project; Senior Thesis Seminar credits may count toward requirements for the major. The senior thesis is a report on the research project.

Students whose theses and grades meet department criteria are recommended to the college for graduation with honors. For more information see the department website (http://www.psychology.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/research/honors-in-psychology.html) and Honors in the Major (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/#academicoptionstext).