

University of Wyoming Sample Four-Year Degree Plan
Catalog Year: 2019-20

Psychology, BS



This sample degree plan is a guide, to be used for planning in consultation with your academic advisor. Actual course sequence may vary by student. A ▲ symbol identifies courses that must be taken and passed during the suggested semester in order for a student to stay on track toward completing the degree program within four years.

Course Sequence	Course Prefix	Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hours	Min Grade	Notes
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Freshman Fall Semester

			USP First-Year Seminar	3	C	FY
			USP Human Culture	3		H
	ANTH	1200	Cultural Anthropology ¹	3	C	
	MATH	1400	College Algebra ²	3	C	Q: can substitute MATH 1000 (Problem Solving) ²
	PSYC	1000	General Psychology	3	C	
Credit hours subtotal:				15		

Freshman Spring Semester

			USP US & Wyoming Constitutions	3		V
			USP Human Culture	3		H
	ENGL	1010	College Composition and Rhetoric	3	C	C1
	LIFE	1003	Current Issues in Biology	4	C	PN: can substitute LIFE 1010 (General Biology) ²
	PSYC	2300	Developmental Psychology ³	3	C	
Credit hours subtotal:				16		

Sophomore Fall Semester

			A&S Core Diversity in the US	3		ASD
	PSYC	2080	Biological Psychology ³	3	C	can substitute PSYC 2210 (Drugs & Behavior) ⁴
	PSYC	2380	Social Psychology ³	3	C	
	SOC	1000	Principles of Sociology ¹	3	C	
	STAT	2070	Intro Statistics for the Social Sciences	4	C	can substitute STAT 2050 (Fundamentals of Statistics)
Credit hours subtotal:				16		

Sophomore Spring Semester

			USP Communication ²	3	C	C2
			USP Physical & Natural World	4		PN
	PSYC	2000	Research Psychological Methods	4	C	
	PSYC	2340	Abnormal Psychology ³	3	C	
Credit hours subtotal:				14		

This sample degree plan is a guide for course work in the major. • Course sequencing may need to be altered if ACT, SAT or Math Placement scores require a student to take pre-college courses before taking required math or English courses. • Not all courses are offered every semester and some electives may have prerequisites. Students should review course descriptions in the University Catalog and consult with their academic advisor to plan accordingly.

University of Wyoming requirements:

Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 to graduate. • Students must complete 42 hours of upper division (3000-level or above) coursework, 30 of which must be from the University of Wyoming. • Courses must be taken for a letter grade unless offered only for S/U. • University Studies Program (USP) Human Culture (H) and Physical & Natural World (PN) courses must be taken outside of the major subject, but can be cross-listed with the major.

College of Arts and Sciences requirements:

Students must take two "core" courses in addition to UW's University Studies Program requirements: Diversity in the United States (ASD) and Global Awareness (ASG). • No more than 60 hours in the major subject may be used toward the 120 credit hours required for graduation. • At least 30 hours in the major subject must be completed with a grade of C or better (the major may require more).

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Junior Fall Semester						
			Major STEM Course ⁴	3	C	
			Upper Division Psychology Electives	6	C	
			Upper Division Elective	3		
			Elective	3		
Credit hours subtotal:				15		
Junior Spring Semester						
			A&S Core Global Awareness	3		ASG
	PSYC	3120	Cognitive Psychology ³	3	C	
			Upper Division Psychology Elective	3	C	
			Upper Division Elective	3		
			Elective	3		
Credit hours subtotal:				15		
Senior Fall Semester						
			USP Communication ³	3	C	C3
			Upper Division Psychology Elective	3	C	
			Upper Division Electives	9		
Credit hours subtotal:				15		
Senior Spring Semester						
			Psyc Restricted Enrollment Crs ⁵	3	C	
			Upper Division Electives	6		
			Electives	6		
Credit hours subtotal:				15		
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS				121		

Psychology Program notes:

A minimum of 33 hours in psychology are required for majors but the total cannot exceed 60 hours. • Eighteen (18) of these psychology credit hours must be at the 3000-level or above to graduate. Also, the upper division courses must be taken from at least two different members of the psychology department faculty listed in the University Catalog. • All major courses require a grade of C or better to graduate. • Students with an established UW GPA who wish to change to or add the Psychology major are required to have a minimum 2.5 UW GPA.

¹ Can substitute a social science course from the disciplines of anthropology, communication/journalism, criminal justice, economics, political science, or sociology. Six (6) hours are required for psychology majors.

² See the “Prerequisite and MPE Cut Score Reference Chart” on the Math Placement website for the most up-to-date math placement equivalencies: <http://www.uwyo.edu/mathstats/math-placement/>.

³ Introductory courses in all five (5) of the psychology core areas (biological, social, developmental, clinical, and cognitive) are represented in this plan. However, courses in only four (4) of the five (5) areas are needed to meet degree requirements.

⁴ One (1) approved three to four (3-4) credit hour STEM course is required from among the following: CHEM 1000, CHEM 1020, COSC 1010, COSC 1100, KIN/ZOO 2040, KIN/ZOO 2041, LIFE 2002, LIFE 2022, LIFE 2023, LIFE 2050, MATH 1050, MATH 1405, MATH

⁵ One (1) of the following restricted enrollment (seminar or writing intensive) courses is required for psychology majors. PSYC 4150, Cognitive Development; PSYC 4250, Psychological Aspects of Chronic Illness; PSYC 4320, Intellectual Disability; PSYC 4350,