

## Psychology (PSYC)

<b>Courses required for the first year:</b> None
<b>Courses recommended for the first year:</b> PSYC 100
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### The Major in Psychology

32 credits, including 100, 240, 246, and 300; 4 credits of electives at each of the 200-, 300-, and 400-levels; one Senior Inquiry from 452, 454, 458, or 466; and 2 additional credits of electives at any level. Experiential coursework (382, 385, 490, internships) cannot satisfy the 200-, 300-, or 400-level elective requirement, but can satisfy the 2 additional electives requirement.

Students may not major or minor in both Psychology and Neuroscience. Students intending to apply to graduate school in psychology should consult with their advisors for further recommendations.

**Note:** Enrollments in 240 and 246 are controlled by the department. Students interested in these courses should contact their PSYC advisor or, if not yet assigned to one, the department's administrative assistant, Kara Meyer ([karameyer@augustana.edu](mailto:karameyer@augustana.edu)), as soon as possible to secure a seat.

### Required Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Learning Perspective/ Suffix	Prerequisites	Usually offered: F, J, SP, SU*	Credits
PSYC 100	Introduction to Psychology	PS		F, SP	4
PSYC 240	Statistics	Q		F, SP	4
PSYC 246	Research Methods		PSYC 100 or 200; 240	F, SP	4
PSYC 300	Personal & Professional Development		PSYC 100	F, SP	2

## Required Supporting Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Learning Perspective/ Suffix	Prerequisites	Usually offered: F, J, SP, SU*	Credits
200 level elective	200, 216, 218, 222, 224, 226, 228, or 280	228 D	PSYC 100 or 200	F, J, SP	4
300 level elective	322, 342, 343, 346, 347, 349, 350, 352, or 380		PSYC 100 or 200, 240, & 246	F, SP	4
400 level elective	405 & 406, 412, 416, 418, 426, or 480	406 G	PSYC 100 and JR/SR standing	F, SP	4
Senior Inquiry	452, 454, 458, or 466			F, SP	4
Electives	at any level (also includes 130, 382, 385, and 490)			F, SP	2

## The Minor in Psychology

20 credits, including 100, 240, 246; and two 4-credit electives with at least one at the 300-400 level. Students may not major or minor in both Psychology and Neuroscience.

## Required Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Learning Perspective/ Suffix	Prerequisites	Usually offered: F, J, SP, SU*	Credits
PSYC100	Introduction to Psychology	PS		F, SP	4
PSYC240	Statistics	Q		F, SP	4
PSYC246	Research Methods		PSYC 100; 240	F, SP	4
Elective	any level			F, SP	4
Elective	300-level		PSYC 100; 240, & 246	F, SP	4
	400-level		PSYC 100 and JR/SR standing		

## Major Overview

Students have the opportunity to gain clinical experience in a community placement as a component of a PSYC 490 experience coordinated within the department. They also have the option of engaging in research studies through PSYC 382. Some recent graduates were so successful in their clinical placements, they were hired full-time after graduation.

Recent graduates are employed by Family Resources social services agency, Quad Cities Autism Center, Peace Corps, and AmeriCorps. They are teaching English in Asia and working as substance abuse

counselors, college admissions counselors, behavioral health technicians, and public aid advocates. Others work in sales, marketing, and human resources.

Recent graduates have completed PhDs in cognitive, clinical, social and quantitative psychology, and behavioral neuroscience; and Master's degrees in counseling, industrial organizational, social work, and political science. Others have gone on to law and medical schools, nursing, and physical and occupational therapy.

\*Fall, J term, Spring, Summer; see [Academic Calendar](#) for specific dates

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