

**West Texas A&M University
Advising Services
Degree Checklist
2018-2019**

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NAME: _____ WT ID: _____ DATE: _____

**Psychology
Department of Psychology, Sociology and Social Work
OM 416 651-2590**

CORE CURRICULUM COURSES: 42 HOURS ♦		HRS
Communication (Code 10)		
ENGL 1301 Introduction to Academic Writing and Argumentation	3	
COMM 1315, 1318, or 1321	3	
Mathematics (Code 20)		
MATH 1314*, 1316*, 1324*, 1325*, 1332*/**, 1342*/**, 1350*/**, 2412*, or 2413* (2412 & 2413: extra hr. moves to Code 90)	3	
Life and Physical Sciences (Code 30)		
Take two courses from (extra lab hours move to Code 90): ♦ ANSC 1319; BIOL 1406 or 1408, 1407* or 1409*, 1411, 1413; CHEM 1405* or 1411*, 1412*; ENVR 1407*; GEOL 1401 or 1403, 1402, 1404; PHYS 1401*, 1402*, 1411, 1412, 2425*, 2426*; PSES 1301, 1307	6	
Language, Philosophy and Culture (Code 40)		
ANTH 2351, ENGL 2321*, 2326*, 2331*, 2341*, 2343*; HIST 2311, 2323, 2372; MCOM 1307; PHIL 1301, 2374; SPAN 2311*, 2312*/**, 2313*, 2315*, or 2371 Choose 1	3	
Creative Arts (Code 50)		
ARTS 1303, ARTS 1304; DANC 2303; MUSI 1306, MUSI 1307, MUSI 1310; or THRE 1310 Choose 1	3	
American History (Code 60)		
HIST 1301, 1302, 2301, 2381 Choose 2	6	
Government/Political Science (Code 70)		
POSC 2305 and 2306	6	
Social and Behavioral Sciences (Code 80)		
See University Core Requirements below	(3)	
Component Area Option (Code 90)		
Take six hours from: ♦ AGRI 2300; BIOL lab hours (from Code 30); BUSI 1304; CHEM lab hours (from Code 30); CIDM 1105, CIDM 1301 or 1315; CS 1301; ENGL 1101, 1302*, 2311*; ENVR lab hour (from Code 30); GEOL lab hours (from Code 30); IDS 1071 (1-3 hours); extra MATH hours (from Code 20); PHIL 2303; PHYS lab hours (from Code 30)	6	
PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: 39 HOURS A grade of "C" or better must be earned in all courses required for major.		
UNIVERSITY CORE REQUIREMENTS: 3 HOURS ♦		
CORE 80		
PSYC 2301 General Psychology	3	
PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: 36 HOURS		
PSYC 2272* Professional Psychology: Careers, Ethics and Research Methodology	2	
PSYC 2308 Child Development OR PSYC 2314 Lifespan Growth and Development	3	
PSYC 3310 Introduction to Statistics	3	
PSYC 3311* Experimental Psychology	3	
Take three courses from: PSYC 3350* Social Psychology PSYC 3320* Biological Psychology PSYC 3371* Principles of Psychological Testing PSYC 3430* Psychology of Learning PSYC 4319* History and Systems of Psychology PSYC 4335* Cognitive Processes	9-10	
PSYC 4360* Abnormal Psychology OR PSYC 4355* Theories of Personality	3	
ANTH 2351 Cultural Anthropology OR SOC1 1301 Introduction to Sociology	3	

**Bachelor of Arts Degree
BA.PSY (119)**

PSYCHOLOGY ELECTIVES: Take 9-10 hours (of which 9 must be advanced) to total 36 semester credit hours of psychology. See NOTE for recommended electives.		
PSYCHOLOGY ELECTIVES	9-10	
BACHELOR OF ARTS REQUIREMENTS: 12 HOURS OPTION		
Six hours of foreign language.	(6-8)	
Six hours chosen from art, English, history, modern languages, music, philosophy and theatre.	6	
ELECTIVES: 25-27 HOURS BY ADVISEMENT ♦		
See NOTE II for recommended electives.		
ADVANCED ELECTIVES—SEE NOTE I Eleven to twelve hours, unless upper-level courses are taken to satisfy bachelor of arts requirements.	11-12	
ELECTIVES (ANY LEVEL)	15-16	
MINIMUM HOURS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE DEGREE	120	

♦ NOTE: The core curriculum must total **exactly 42 hours**; excess hours must be moved to the major as an elective or a major requirement and stay within the 120-hour requirement or approved total submitted to the Coordinating Board for degree requirements. Some majors specify particular courses to meet core curriculum requirements when options are available.

* Indicates prerequisites—see catalog for more information.

** While MATH 1332, 1342 and 1350 will fulfill core math requirements, they will NOT prepare students for higher-level math courses such as Plane Trigonometry (MATH 1316) or Pre-Calculus (MATH 2412).

*** Or an equivalent course (second year, second semester) in a foreign language.

NOTE I: At least 39 hours of advanced work (3000- or 4000-level courses) for which tuition is paid must be earned at WTAMU, and 30 of the final 36 hours counted toward the degree must be earned at WTAMU. A maximum of six semester hours in religion and six semester hours in physical education (PHED) courses can count toward a baccalaureate degree.

NOTE II:

OPTION 1: PROFESSIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

The Professional psychology option follows recommendations from nationwide graduate programs & prepares students to pursue a master's or a doctorate degree in various psychology specializations.

Graduate specializations recommendations: BIOL 1406/L & 1407/L (lab science core); BIOL 2401/L & 2402/L (BS requirement); SOCI 1301 or ANTH 2351.

Clinical or counseling psychology recommendations: PSYC 4360, 4355, 4361, 3371 & 3350; SOCW 2361; CD 2373.

Forensic psychology recommendations: PSYC 3373, 3350, 4335 & 4360; COMM 1321 & 3303; PHIL 2303, CRIJ 1306, 3322 & 2328; SOCI 3374 & 4302.

Neuroscience recommendations: PSYC 3320 & 4324; CHEM 1411, 1412, 2523 & 2525.

OPTION 2: GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY

The General Psychology Option provides a background for students whose career goals are in psychology-related fields (e.g., entering law school or the ministry) and not in becoming a psychologist.

Recommended courses: SOCI 1301 & 1306; ANTH 2351.

Note: This is NOT a degree plan. After completing 30 hours, students are encouraged to request an official degree plan by using the online [Request for a Degree Plan](#) form. If unable to use the online form, students can also submit a request in Old Main, Room 424 (or call 806-651-2668). Students who have completed 45 hours will not be allowed to progress without requesting a degree plan.