

West Texas A&M University
Advising Services
Degree Checklist
2013-2014

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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 ♦		
Specific course(s) required for this major are listed in the next section.		
Communication (10)		
ENGL 1301 (ENG 101); 1302* (ENG 102) or 2311* (ENG 270)	6	
Communication (11)		
COMM 1315 (SCOM 101, 1315), 1318 (SCOM 103, 1318), or 1321 (SCOM 201, 1321)	3	
Mathematics (20)		
MATH 1314* (110), 1324* (115), 1332*/**, 2412*, or 2413*	3	
Natural Sciences (30)		
Take two courses from: ♦		
PSES 1301 (216), 1307 (112); ANSC 1319 (121); BIOL 1406 (101) or 1408, 1407* (102) or 1409*, 1411 (122), 1413 (121); CHEM 1405* (121), 1411* (101), 1412* (102); GEOL 1401 (GESC 111) or 1403 (GEOL 101), 1402 (GESC 112), 1404 (GEOL 102); PHYS 1401* (101), 1402* (102), 1411, 1412, 2425* (210), 2426* (211)	(6-8)	
Humanities (40-41)		
ENGL 2321*, 2326*, 2331*, 2341*, 2343*; HIST 2311 (110), 2323, 2372 (210); MCOM 1307 (MC 107); PHIL 1301 (101), 2374 (204); SPAN 2312*/*** (207) or SPAN 2315*/***	3	Choose 1
Visual and Performing Arts (50)		
HUMA 1315 (FA 101); ARTS 1303 (ART 151), ARTS 1304 (ART 152); DANC 2303; MUSI 1306 (MUS 101) or 1208 and 1209*; or THRE 1310 (105)	3	Choose 1
Social and Behavioral Sciences (60)		
HIST 1301 (201) or 1303; 1302 (202) or 1304; 2301; 2381	6	Choose 2
Social and Behavioral Sciences (70)		
POSC 2305 (101) or 2370; 2306 (102)	6	
Social and Behavioral Sciences (80)		
See University Core Requirements below	(3)	
Institutionally Designated Option (90)		
ANSC 2370; BUSI 1304; CIDM 1105, 1301 (CIS, IDM 1301), 1315 (CIS, IDM 1315), 2345; CS 1301; FIN 1307; IDS 1071; PHIL 2303 (203)	(1-3)	Choose1♦
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 (PSY 201) General Psychology	3	
PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: 36 HOURS		
PSYC 2272* (202) Professional Psychology: Careers, Ethics and Research Methodology	2	
PSYC 2308 (PSY 204, PSYC 2314) Child Development OR PSYC 2314 (204) Lifespan Growth and Development	3	
PSYC 3310 (304) Introduction to Statistics	3	
PSYC 3311* (305) Experimental Psychology	3	
Take three courses from:		
PSYC 3350* (PSY 302) Social Psychology	9-10	
PSYC 3320* (373) Biological Psychology		
PSYC 3371* (PSY 469, PSYC 4371) Principles of Psychological Testing		
PSYC 3430* (375) Psychology of Learning		
PSYC 4319* (442) History and Systems of Psychology		
PSYC 4335* (376) Cognitive Processes		

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PSYC 4360* (423) Abnormal Psychology OR PSYC 4355* (425) Theories of Personality	3	
ANTH 2351 (201) Cultural Anthropology OR SOCI 1301 (201) Introduction to Sociology	3	
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: 23-27 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)	13-16	
MINIMUM HOURS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE DEGREE	120	

♦ A minimum of 42 hours from the core curriculum is required. Some majors specify particular courses to meet core-curriculum requirements when options are available. Ideally, these courses should be taken during the first two years of enrollment. * Indicates prerequisites—see catalog for more information. ** While MATH 1332 will fulfill core math requirements, it will NOT prepare students for math beyond MATH 1332 such as Plane Trigonometry (MATH 1316), Pre-Calculus (MATH 2412), etc. *** Or an equivalent course (second year, second semester) in French or German.

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 3370, 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.