

# PSYCHOLOGY - BACHELOR OF ARTS

## General Requirements

Students must receive a C- or better in courses used to satisfy the departmental and nondepartmental requirements of the psychology major. Students must also complete all University degree requirements, which include: General Education requirements (<http://catalogs.nmsu.edu/nmsu/essential-information-students/general-education-courses>), Viewing a Wider World requirements (<http://catalogs.nmsu.edu/nmsu/essential-information-students/general-education-courses>), and elective credits to total 120 credits with 48 of them being upper division.

### Departmental Requirements

PSY 201G	Introduction to Psychology	3
Select one from the following:		3

PSY 302	Abnormal Psychology	
PSY 350	Developmental Psychology: Conception through Childhood	
PSY 440	History and Systems of Psychology	

### Research Methods

PSY 310	Experimental Methods <sup>1</sup>	4
PSY 311	Advanced Research Seminar	4

### Basic Mechanisms

Select 3 credits from the following: <sup>2</sup>		3
PSY 301	Introduction to Psycholinguistics	
PSY 375	Psychology and the Brain	
PSY 376	Evolutionary Psychology	
PSY 380	Perception	

### Acquisition and Use of Knowledge

Select 3 credits from the following: <sup>2</sup>		3
PSY 320	Learning	
PSY 340	Cognitive Psychology	
PSY 383	Memory	
PSY 442	Thinking	

### Understanding Behavior

Select one from the following: <sup>2</sup>		3
PSY 315	Emotion	
PSY 317	Social Psychology	
PSY 321	Psychology of Personality	

Additional Electives <sup>3</sup>		11
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### Nondepartmental Requirements

Select one from the following:		3
STAT 251G	Statistics for Business and the Behavioral Sciences	
STAT 271G	Statistics for Psychological Sciences	
A ST 311	Statistical Applications	
Philosophy course 300-level or above <sup>4</sup>		3
At least three credits of introductory biology		3
Select one from the following: <sup>5</sup>		4
BIOL 101G & 101GL	Human Biology and Human Biology Laboratory	

BIOL 111G & 111GL	Natural History of Life and Natural History of Life Laboratory	
BIOL 211G & 211GL	Cellular and Organismal Biology and Cellular and Organismal Biology Laboratory <sup>6</sup>	
Second Language Option		13-15
Total Credits		60-62

- <sup>1</sup> PSY 310 Experimental Methods: prerequisite of PSY 201G Introduction to Psychology
- <sup>2</sup> requirements are to be met after the student has completed PSY 310 Experimental Methods (which has prerequisites of PSY 201G Introduction to Psychology, and either STAT 251G Statistics for Business and the Behavioral Sciences or STAT 271G Statistics for Psychological Sciences or A ST 311 Statistical Applications
- <sup>3</sup> Additional electives to bring total credits in psychology to at least 34, with at least 24 of those 34 credits being upper division.
- <sup>4</sup> PHIL 346 Philosophy of Mind or PHIL 351 Philosophy of Science recommended
- <sup>5</sup> A course that includes a laboratory is highly recommended, and is required if intended to satisfy Gen Ed Area III
- <sup>6</sup> Prerequisite: CHEM 110G Principles and Applications of Chemistry or CHEM 111G General Chemistry I or CHEM 115 Principles of Chemistry I

## Second Language

Students seeking the BA in Psychology must meet the second language requirement by completing one of the following three skills requirements:

### Option 1: Traditional Language Track

Options as described in Section III of College Degree Requirements under College Degree Requirements under College of Arts and Sciences (i.e. typically through 212 or 214 or Arts & Sciences Certification, Option B).

### Option 2: Computer Science Track

C S 153	Python Programming I	3
C S 154	Python Programming II	3
C S 158	R Programming I	3
C S 159	R PROGRAMMING II	3

Under special circumstances, alternative combinations of CS courses may be approved by the Department Head

Total Credits		12
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### Option 3: Math Track

MATH 121G	College Algebra	3
MATH 190G	Trigonometry and Precalculus	4
MATH 191G	Calculus and Analytic Geometry I	4
MATH 192G	Calculus and Analytic Geometry II	4

Total Credits		15
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