

B.A. in Psychology

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(For use by students entering the Psychology major Fall 2014-Spring 2015)

Keep this advising sheet up-to-date and bring it with you when you meet with your advisor!

I. PSYCHOLOGY (48 cr.)

All courses listed here must have a grade of C- or better. Grades of D- to D+ can count as free (not PSY!) electives only.

Psychology Core (required):

- PSY100 ___ (Intro Psych)
- PSY245 ___ (Statistics)
- W PSY246 ___ (Research Methods)
- PSY362 ___ (History & Systems)
- PSY400 ___ (Senior Seminar)

Students are strongly encouraged to take PSY245 as early as possible, but MUST enroll in it before taking more than 21 hours in psychology courses!

Group I: Choose any three (3):

- PSY254 ___ (Social Psychology)
 - PSY257 ___ (Personality)
 - W PSY365 ___ (Psych of Women)
 - PSY375 ___ (Abnormal)
 - PSY382 ___ (Inf,Child,Adl Dev) or
 - W PSY384 ___ (Adult Dev)
- (Count 382 or 384 towards the Group I requirement)

Group II: Choose any three (3):

- PSY255 ___ (Intro BioPsysc)
- PSY335 ___ (Animal Behavior)
- PSY350 ___ (Bio of Mot & Emot)
- PSY363 ___ (Learning)
- PSY464 ___ (BioPsysc Seminar)
- PSY475 ___ (Cognitive)

Group III: Choose one (1):

- PSY410 ___ (Research)
- PSY44x ___ (Any Field Exp)
- PSY470 ___ (Sens & Percep)
- PSYxx6 ___ (Any lab)

Psychology Electives: Choose an additional four (4) courses from the Psychology Department:

- PSY ___
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If you are not comfortable using basic Microsoft programs (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) we recommend that you take CSW101 as a free (not PSY) elective.

II. ACADEMIC FOUNDATIONS (18 cr.)

- WRT120 ___
- Any 200-level WRT course ___
- *MAT103 ___ or higher: MAT ___
- *One Interdisciplinary (I) course: _____
- *One Diverse Communities (J) course: _____
- One Com course: SPK208, SPK230 or SPK199: _____

*A single course may now be used to simultaneously fill both the I and J requirements. An I course cannot, however, be used to meet a distributive requirement. A J course may be used to fill a distributive requirement if it is not also an I course. If any courses are used to fill more than one requirement, a minimum of 12 credits of free electives are required.

*MAT301 or MAT 351 cannot be used to satisfy the MAT academic foundations requirement.

III. GENERAL EDUCATION DISTRIBUTIVE COURSES

AN "I" COURSE MAY NOT BE USED TO MEET A DISTRIBUTIVE REQUIREMENT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. DISTRIBUTIVE COURSES TAKEN AT WCU MUST BE SELECTED FROM APPROVED GEN ED DISTRIBUTIVE COURSE LIST (DOES NOT APPLY TO TRANSFER CREDITS)

Arts (3 cr.): Select one 3-credit course from Art, Art History, Music, Music History, Theater, Photography, Dance, or Film:

course	grade
_____	_____

Science (6 cr.): Select two courses from the following areas: Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Earth/Space Science, or Physics. **Only one course from each discipline.**

course	grade
_____	_____
_____	_____

Humanities (6 cr.): Take two courses from the following areas: History, Literature and Philosophy. **Only one course from each discipline.**

course	grade
_____	_____
_____	_____

Social and Behavioral Sciences (6 cr.):

Take two courses from among Anthropology, Economics, Geography, Political Science or Sociology. **Only one course from each discipline.**

course	grade
_____	_____
_____	_____

IV. FOREIGN LANGUAGE (3-15 cr.)

Option 1: Complete one course at the 202 level (or higher).

Option 2: Complete a course at the 102 level and 3 approved culture cluster courses in same language area.

- ❖ You may not take more than 2 CC courses within the same department.
- ❖ CC courses cannot simultaneously meet a gen ed distributive requirement
- ❖ CC courses can simultaneously meet a W, I, and/or J requirement

course	grade
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V. FREE ELECTIVES

Take enough free electives to complete **120 credits** (minimum 9 credit hours).

College preparatory courses (e.g., MATQ00, ENGQ20) do NOT count towards graduation. The actual number of free electives required will vary depending upon (among other things) the number of courses the student must take to complete the foreign language requirement.

course	grade
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VI. WRITING EMPHASIS (W)

Three writing emphasis courses are required. These courses may simultaneously satisfy another requirement. Transfer students entering with 40-70 credits need only two of these courses; those entering with more than 70 credits need only one.

At least one course MUST be at the 300-400 level (upper-division).

course	grade
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IMPORTANT NOTE: ALL TRANSFER STUDENTS (BOTH MAJORS & MINORS) FROM OTHER UNIVERSITIES MUST TAKE AT LEAST ONE HALF OF THEIR PSYCHOLOGY CREDITS AT WCU.