

MAJOR MAP FOR PSYCHOLOGY BA (PSYCBA) 2011-12 THROUGH 2023-24 CATALOG YEARS

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PSYCBA Degree Snapshot

University Perspectives (0-1 hr)

_____ **UNIV 1001**, University Perspectives (waived for transfer students with 24 or more transferred hours)

State Core English Composition (0-6 hrs)

_____ **ENGL 1013**, Composition 1 or exemption through ACT/SAT test scores

_____ **ENGL 1023**, Composition 2 or exemption through ACT/SAT test scores

State Core US History or Government (3 hrs)

_____ **US HIST/PLSC** _____

State Core Mathematics (0-3 hrs. C or higher)

_____ **MATH 1203**, College Algebra (can skip if placed higher through math placement score)

State Core Natural Sciences w/ labs (8 hrs)

_____ **Science w/ lab** _____

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State Core Social Sciences (9 hrs)

_____ **PSYC 2003**, General Psychology (required in major)

_____ **Social Science** _____

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State Core Fine Arts (3 hrs)

_____ **Fine Art** _____

State Core Humanities (3 hrs)

_____ **PHIL 2003**, Intro to Philosophy or **PHIL 2103**, Intro to Ethics (required in major)

Major World Language to 2003 level (3-9 hrs)

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_____ **Language** _____ 2003 (or higher required)

PSYC Major Core (12-13 hrs. C or higher)

_____ **MATH 2043, 2053, or 2554c** (see below for placement information)

_____ **PSYC 2013**, Statistics for Psychologists

_____ **PSYC 3073**, Research Methods

_____ **PSYC 4083**, Advanced Research or **PSYC 4283**, Advanced Seminar

PSYC Group A classes (6 hrs. C or higher)

_____ **PSYC** _____

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PSYC Group B classes (6 hrs. C or higher)

_____ **PSYC** _____

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PSYC Electives (9 hrs. C or higher)

_____ **PSYC** _____ (PSYC 399VH if [honors](#))

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_____ **PSYC** _____

General Electives (37-57 hrs)

How you use these hours will depend on your educational and career goals.

Early in your degree you might use this section to jot down ideas for how to plan. As you get closer to graduation, you might use this section to track which classes you've taken outside the above requirements.

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Graduation Plan

Use the following additional resources, in addition to this major map, to complete your graduation plan ([Catalog](#), and your [Degree Audit](#) in UAconnect). Many students have more than one major, minor, or pre-professional goal that has additional required classes. This tool allows you to combine all your educational goals in to one plan.

High School credit	List all Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, Dual or Concurrent credit			
Year	Fall	Spring	Summer	Total
Year 1				Total 1 st year credit hours (aim for 30):
Year 2				Total 2 nd year credit hours (aim for 60):
Year 3				Total 3 rd year credit hours (aim for 90):
Year 4				Total 4 th year credit hours (Must be at least 120):

Graduation Checklist (does your plan include the following):

- Do you have at least a 2.0 GPA (this will be something you track each semester)
- All state minimum core requirements
- All Major(s)/Minor(s) requirements
- [Writing requirement](#) complete (completed in PSYC 4083 or 4283)
- Have At least 50% of each major/minor taken from UofA
- 24 hours of 3000+ classes exclusively from Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences classes
- 30 hours of 3000+ classes exclusively from the University of Arkansas. This can include courses taken for the 24-hour rule.
- 40 hours of upper-level classes. (3000+ or 2000+ with a pre-requisite. Can include transfer credit.) This can include courses taken for the 24-hour and 30-hour rules.
- 120 total eligible credit hours (see below for a list of ineligible classes)

COURSES THAT DO NOT COUNT TOWARDS THE 120 HOURS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION

- ENGL 0002
- MATH 0001L, MATH 0002L, MATH 0003, and MATH 0131L
- Duplicated/Repeated courses (i.e.: if the same course is taken more than once, the hours will only count once for graduation)

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Psychological Sciences Department Information:

Faculty who have exception/substitution authority: Jeremy Holm

Transfer Coursework Restriction: At least 50% of a student's Arts and Sciences (ARSC) major or minor must be taken at the University of Arkansas (NOTE: It's important Psychology majors pay attention to how classes transfer to UA. For example, a 2000 level developmental psychology course taken at another school cannot count for Developmental psychology here, which is a 3000-level course, but it might be able to count as a PSYC elective. Additionally, some classes that were coded as Psychology classes at a previous school will transfer here to the HDFB department and don't count in the major.)

Additional Note: During the Spring 2020, Fall 2020, and Spring 2021 semesters many schools had the option to turn D or C grades into P (Pass) grades that did not impact GPA. The department has determined that any P grades (including TP, Transfer Pass) can count in the major. This is only for the three semesters outlined in this policy, and P grades from any other semester are ineligible.

GPA (Grade Point Average): Every student must have at least a 2.00 cumulative grade point average to be eligible to graduate from the University of Arkansas. *Additionally, students must have a C or higher on all PSYC and MATH courses for their major. In addition, a 2.0 GPA is required in all PSYC courses taken.* (Note: while D grades in PSYC or MATH classes may count as general electives, this may not be reflected in the audit due to rules in the major. If a student wants a D grade in a PSYC or MATH class to count somewhere outside the major, they may need to request this change to the degree audit from their academic advisor.)

Note About Enrollment: The psychology major is a very popular program. For this reason, all PSYC classes typically fill within the first three weeks of Advanced Registration. Students should always plan to register on their assigned enrollment date and pay close attention to emails from the department that outline waitlist procedures.

Please visit <https://catalog.uark.edu/undergraduatecatalog> for an extensive list of core, major, graduation, and pre-requisite requirements. To read more about individual classes, visit the [courses of instruction](#) page for course descriptions.

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Degree Requirement Breakdown by Category

The following information is designed to help you navigate your experience in your degree and answer common questions that may come up for each requirement.

Category	Degree Requirements	Curriculum Notes
<u>UNIVERSITY PERSPECTIVES</u> 1 hr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNIV 1001, University Perspectives 	Or equivalent from another University of Arkansas college. (AFLS 1023H, ARSC 1201, GNEG 1111, HIST 1003(H), HIST 1003(H), PLSC 1003, BUSI/WCOB 1111) Note: students who transfer to the University of Arkansas with at least 24 credit hours will have this requirement waived.
<u>STATE CORE COMPOSITION</u> 0-6 hrs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ENGL 1013, Composition 1 or SAT/ACT exemption • ENGL 1023, Composition 2 or SAT/ACT exemption 	See Catalog for information about placement and/or exemption.
<u>STATE CORE US HISTORY or GOVERNMENT</u> 3 hrs	Choose 1: * <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIST 2003, History of the American People to 1877 • HIST 2013, History of the American People 1877 to Present • PLSC 2003, American National Government 	*Some courses may appear as options in multiple areas of the State Core. You can only count each course 1 time in the State Core and will need unique courses in each of the content areas below.
<u>STATE CORE MATHEMATICS</u> 0-3 hrs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MATH 1203, College Algebra (students may skip this class if they have appropriate ACT/SAT scores and begin in the next math class, required by the Psychology major) 	Based on ACT/SAT or other math placement scores, students may need to enroll in additional remediation related courses. See catalog or math placement website for additional information.
<u>STATE CORE NATURAL SCIENCES CORE</u> 8 hrs	Choose 2: (each class will have a required lecture and lab component): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ANTH 1013 and ANTH 1011L, Intro to Biological Anthropology • ASTR 2003/2001L, Survey of the Universe • BIOL 1524, Biological Principles • BIOL 1543/1541L, Principles of Biology • BIOL 1584, Biology for Majors • BIOL 1603/1601L, Principles of Zoology • BIOL 1613/1611L, Plant Biology • BIOL 2213/2211L, Human Physiology • BIOL 2443/2441L, Human Anatomy • CHEM 1053/1051L, Chemistry in the Modern World • CHEM 1073/1071L, Fundamentals of Chemistry • CHEM 1103/1101L; University Chemistry I • CHEM 1123/1121L, University Chemistry II • CHEM 1203/1201L, Chemistry for Majors I • CHEM 1223/1221L, Chemistry for Majors II • ENSC 1003/1001L, Environmental Science • ENTO 1023/1021L, Insects, Science, and Society • GEOS 1113/1111L, Physical Geology • GEOS 1133/1131L, Earth Science • GEOS 1145, Introduction to Geology for Science Majors • PHYS 1023/1021L, Physics and Human Affairs • PHYS 1034, Physics for Elementary Education Majors • PHYS 1044, Physics for Architects I • PHYS 1054, Physics for Architects II 	Some classes will have pre-requisites

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHYS 2013/2011L, College Physics I • PHYS 2033/2031L, College Physics II • PHYS 2054, University Physics I • PHYS 2074, University Physics II 	
<p><u>STATE CORE SOCIAL SCIENCES</u></p> <p>9 hrs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSYC 2003, General Psychology (required in major and counts as state core social science) <p>Choose 2: *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGEC 1103, Principles of Agriculture Microeconomics • AGEC 2103, Principles of Agriculture Macroeconomics • ANTH 1023, Intro to Cultural Anthropology • COMM 1023, Communication in a Diverse World • ECON 2013, Principles of Macroeconomics • ECON 2023, Principles of Microeconomics • ECON 2143, Basic Economics: Theory and Practice • EDST 2003, Introduction to Educational Studies • GEOS 1123, Human Geography • GEOS 2003, World Regional Geography • HDF5 1403, Life Span Development • HDF5 2413, Family Relations • HDF5 2603, Rural Families & Communities • HIST 1113, Institutions and Ideas of World Civilizations I • HIST 1123, Institutions and Ideas of World Civilizations II • HIST 2003, History of the American People to 1877 • HIST 2013, History of the American People 1877 to Present • HIST 2093, Animals in World History • HUMN 1114H, Honors Roots of Culture to 500 C.E. (Honors only) • HUMN 2114H, Honors Birth of Modern Culture, 1600-1900 (honors only) • INST/PLSC 2813, Intro to International Relations & Global Studies • PLSC 2003, American National Government • PLSC 2013, Intro to Comparative Politics • PLSC 2203, State and Local Government • RESM 2853, Leisure and Society • SOCI 2013, General Sociology • SOCI 2033, Social Problems • STEM 2003, The Art of STEM Communication 	<p>*Some courses may appear as options in multiple areas of the State Core. You can only count each course 1 time in the State Core and will need unique courses in each of the content areas below.</p>
<p><u>STATE CORE FINE ARTS</u></p> <p>3 hrs</p>	<p>Choose 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ARCH 1003, Architecture Lecture • ARHS 1003, Art Lecture • COMM 1003, Film Lecture • DANC 1003, Movement and Dance 	<p>Classes taken in this category may not overlap in any other core category</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ENGL 2023, Creative Writing 1 HUMN 2114H, Honors Birth of Modern Culture 1600-1900 (honors only) LARC 1003, The American Landscape MLIT 1003, Experiencing Music MLIT 1013, Music and Society (music majors only) MLIT 1333, Popular Music THTR 1003, Theatre Appreciation THTR 1013, Musical Theatre Appreciation THTR 1683, Acting I THTR 1883, Acting 1 for Theatre majors 	
<p><u>PHILOSOPHY for MAJOR and STATE CORE HUMANITIES</u></p> <p>3 hrs</p>	<p>Choose 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PHIL 2003, intro to Philosophy PHIL 2103, Intro to Ethics 	
<p><u>MAJOR LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT</u></p> <p>3-9 hrs</p>	<p>Get to the Intermediate I (2003) level or higher of a foreign language:</p> <p>This may be completed by taking only the 2003 level, <u>if the student has previous fluency</u>, but is most commonly completed by taking three classes (ARAB and CHIN both also offer intensive formats for accelerated study):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elementary I (1003) Elementary II (1013) Intermediate I (2003) 	<p>Language Options: See the catalog for complete list</p> <p>Language Placement: See the WLLC website for a list of available placement exams and information about credit by exam for Spanish.</p>
<p><u>PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR CORE</u></p> <p>12-13 hrs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MATH 2043, MATH 2053, or MATH 254C (all require MATH 1203 or math placement. MATH 2554 also requires MATH 1213 or 1284 or math placement. PSYC 2013, Statistics for Psychologists (pre-req: MATH 2053, 2043, or 2554 and PSYC 2003) PSYC 3073, Research Methods (pre-req: PSYC 2013) <p>Choose 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PSYC 4083, Advanced Research (pre-req: 18 hrs of PSYC classes including PSYC 3073) PSYC 4283, Advanced Seminar (pre-req: 18 hrs of PSYC classes including PSYC 3073) 	<p>Students must earn a C or higher in all PSYC and MATH classes.</p> <p>PSYC 2003 is also required in the major, but it is listed in the state core social science requirement.</p>
<p><u>PSYCHOLOGY GROUP A</u></p> <p>6 hrs</p>	<p>Choose 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PSYC 3013, Social Psychology PSYC 3023, Abnormal Psychology PSYC 3093, Developmental Psychology PSYC 4053, Psychological Tests (pre-req: 9 hrs of PSYC classes, including PSYC 2013) PSYC 4063, Psychology of Personality (6 hrs of PSYC classes, excluding PSYC 2013) 	<p>Students must earn a C or higher in all PSYC classes.</p> <p>Unless otherwise noted, the pre-requisite to courses in this category is PSYC 2003.</p>
<p><u>PSYCHOLOGY GROUP B</u></p>	<p>Choose 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PSYC 3063, Psychology of Diversity* 	<p>Students must earn a C or higher in all PSYC classes.</p>

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6 hrs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSYC 3103, Cognitive Psychology • PSYC 3173, Biopsychology* • PSYC 4073, Psychology of Learning (6 hrs of PSYC classes, excluding PSYC 2013) • PSYC 4123, Perception (6 hrs of PSYC classes, excluding PSYC 2013) • PSYC 4143 History and Systems of Psychology (15 hrs of PSYC classes and senior standing) • PSYC 4183 Behavioral Neuroscience (6 hrs of PSYC classes, excluding PSYC 2013) • PSYC 4193 Comparative Psychology (6 hrs of PSYC classes, excluding PSYC 2013) 	<p>Unless otherwise noted, the pre-requisite to courses in this category is PSYC 2003.</p> <p>*While not listed in the catalog, this course is approved as an automatic, standing substitution in this category.</p>
PSYCHOLOGY ELECTIVES 9 hrs	<p>Take 9 hours of additional PSYC classes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any PSYC course not taken above may count here. • No more than a total of six hours combined in PSYC 206V, PSYC 207V, and PSYC 399VH.* (additional hours can count as general electives.) • Honors students are required to take 6 hrs of PSYC 399VH, which count in this requirement. • Transfer classes PSYC 299T, PSYC 399T, and PSYC 499T can count in this requirement** 	<p>Students must earn a C or higher in all PSYC classes.</p> <p>*Students can learn more about joining a research lab here: https://fulbright.uark.edu/departments/psychological-science/undergraduate-program/research-experience.php</p> <p>**Students must still meet the 50% rule. Not all 99T classes pull into the degree audit automatically, so students may need to request classes be moved into the minor by their academic advisor.</p>
GENERAL ELECTIVES 37-57 hrs	<p>Hours will vary, depending on math placement, language placement, and whether a student is exempt from ENGL 1013 and 1023.</p>	<p>Some general electives will need to be upper level to meet college and university residency requirements. See Graduation Checklist on page 2 for more information.</p>
WRITING REQUIREMENT	<p>Students automatically satisfy the Fulbright College writing requirement by completion (with a grade of at least a "C") of either PSYC 4083 or PSYC 4283.</p>	
HONORS	<p>Minimum Requirements for Honors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain cumulative grade point average of 3.5 in all coursework. • Complete a minimum of 12 hours of honors courses from the UofA (must include 6 hrs of PSYC 399VH) • Complete and defend Honors Thesis <p>See Catalog for full description of requirements.</p>	<p>Joining a Research Lab: Students can consult the Psychology department website to begin exploring whose research lab you would like to join for your honors thesis.</p> <p>Honors Thesis Timeline: Honors students should consistently check the honors thesis timeline to stay on track to complete your honors thesis.</p> <p>College Honors: Students who also are following the College Honors Core for Bachelor of Arts programs need to also complete those additional requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2023-24 catalog requirements • 2022-23 and older catalog requirements