

HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT - CERTIFICATE

The Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences offers embedded certificates as part of the major. The certificates are considered embedded because they require no additional coursework—beyond specific courses in the major itself—to earn the certificate. The certificates are designed to (a) bring greater depth and structure to the major, (b) provide students with guidance as to courses that build on each other, and (c) ultimately increase the employability of our students.

The required courses in this certificate reflect foundational component areas of psychology that focus on (a) human growth and development, both physically and psychologically and (b) interpersonal behaviors and intrapersonal processes that affect our understanding of and relationships with others. The prescribed electives fall into two sets. The first set focuses on healthy and atypical development at different life stages, including adolescence, old age, and childhood. The second is a skills-based set of courses through which successful students will develop skills in healthy adjustment, behavioral modification, or therapeutic techniques.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
PBSI 307	Developmental Psychology	3
PBSI 315	Social Psychology	3
Select two of the following:		6
PBSI 225	Lifespan Development	
PBSI 323	Psychology of Adolescence	
PBSI 365	Psychology of Aging	
PBSI 407	Behavioral Disorders of Children	
Select one of the following:		3
PBSI 305	Psychology of Adjustment	
PBSI 414	Behavior Principles	
PBSI 450	Clinical Psychology	
Total Semester Credit Hours		15

Student must make a minimum of a 3.0 GPA across the courses used to meet the certificate requirements.