

PSYCHOLOGY - BA

The curriculum leading to a degree in psychology provides students with an understanding of human behavior and the ability to use scientific methods to answer questions about human behavior.

Program Requirements

First Year

Fall		Semester Credit Hours
ENGL 104	Composition and Rhetoric	3
PBSI 105	Psychology as a Major and Profession	1
PBSI 107	Introduction to Psychology	3
Foreign language ¹		4
Mathematics (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#mathematics)		3
Social and behavioral sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#social-behavioral-sciences) ²		3
Semester Credit Hours		17

Spring

PBSI 245	Introduction to Psychological Science Methods	3
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 103	Introduction to Rhetoric and Composition	
ENGL 203	Writing about Literature	
ENGL 210	Technical and Professional Writing	
COMM 203	Public Speaking	
Foreign language ¹		4
Creative arts (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#creative-arts)		3
General elective		2
Semester Credit Hours		15

Second Year

Fall		
PBSI 235	Introduction to Behavioral and Cognitive Neuroscience	3
Foreign language ¹		3
Government/Political science (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science)		3
Life and physical sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)		3
Literature directed elective (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/arts-and-sciences/)		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Spring

Select one of the following:		3
PBSI 206/ AFST 206	Black Psychology	

PBSI 208	Stereotypes, Prejudice, and Minority Experience	
PBSI 209/ AFST 209	Psychology of Culture and Diversity	
PBSI 210/ WGST 210	Psychological Aspects of Human Sexuality	
PBSI 300/ WGST 300	Psychology of Women	
PBSI 303	Psychology of Women of Color	
PBSI 432	Diversity and Inclusion in Organizations	
Foreign language ¹		3
Government/Political science (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science)		3
Mathematics (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#mathematics)		3
General elective		3

Semester Credit Hours

15

Third Year

Fall		
PBSI 301	Elementary Statistics for Psychology	4
Select one of the following:		3
PBSI 225	Lifespan Development	
PBSI 305	Psychology of Adjustment	
PBSI 306	Psychological Disorders	
PBSI 307	Developmental Psychology	
PBSI 315	Social Psychology	
PBSI 319	History and Systems of Psychology	
PBSI 323	Psychology of Adolescence	
PBSI 330	Personality	
PBSI 352	Organizational Psychology	
PBSI 353	Personnel Psychology	
PBSI 365	Psychology of Aging	
American history (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history)		3
Language, philosophy and culture (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture)		3
Life and physical sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)		3
Semester Credit Hours		16

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PBSI 302	Research Methods and Design in Psychology	4
Select one of the following:		3
PBSI 311	Psychology of Animal Behavior	
PBSI 320	Sensation-Perception	
PBSI 332	Neuroscience of Learning and Memory	
PBSI 333	Biology of Psychological Disorders	
PBSI 336	Drugs and Behavior	
PBSI 340	Psychology of Learning	

PBSI 345	Human Cognitive Processes	
PBSI 350	Cognitive Neuroscience	
PBSI 360	Health Psychology and Behavioral Medicine	
American history (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history)		3
Language, philosophy and culture or creative arts (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture)		3
Psychology elective ³		3
Semester Credit Hours		16

Fourth Year**Fall**

Select one of the following:		3
PBSI 311	Psychology of Animal Behavior	
PBSI 320	Sensation-Perception	
PBSI 332	Neuroscience of Learning and Memory	
PBSI 333	Biology of Psychological Disorders	
PBSI 336	Drugs and Behavior	
PBSI 340	Psychology of Learning	
PBSI 345	Human Cognitive Processes	
PBSI 350	Cognitive Neuroscience	
PBSI 360	Health Psychology and Behavioral Medicine	
Language, philosophy and culture (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture)		3
Social and behavioral sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#social-behavioral-sciences) ²		3
Psychology elective ³		3
General elective		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Spring

Select from the following:		3
PBSI 305	Psychology of Adjustment	
PBSI 306	Psychological Disorders	
PBSI 307	Developmental Psychology	
PBSI 315	Social Psychology	
PBSI 319	History and Systems of Psychology	
PBSI 323	Psychology of Adolescence	
PBSI 330	Personality	
PBSI 352	Organizational Psychology	
PBSI 353	Personnel Psychology	
PBSI 365	Psychology of Aging	
Literature directed elective (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/arts-and-sciences/)		3
Life and physical sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)		3

General elective	2
Semester Credit Hours	11
Total Semester Credit Hours	120

¹ Complete 14 hours of a foreign language (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/arts-and-sciences/>) through the intermediate level. If you choose to enroll in a language you have studied previously without receiving college credit, you must first take a placement test. See academic advisor.

² Courses in psychology may not be used to satisfy this requirement.

³ Select from PBSI 100-499 (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/pbsi/>), No more than a combined maximum of 6 hours of PBSI 484, PBSI 485 are permitted.

A grade of C or higher is required if a course is to be counted in the major field. A student must complete a minimum of 36 hours of 300- and 400-level courses at Texas A&M.

No course can be counted in more than one category.

Graduation requirements include 3 hours of International and Cultural Diversity (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/international-cultural-diversity-requirements/>) courses and 3 hours of Cultural Discourse (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/cultural-discourse-requirements/>) courses. A course satisfying a core category, a college/department requirement, or a free elective can be used to satisfy this requirement. The required 6 hours may be met by courses satisfying other areas of a degree program. See your academic advisor for further information.