

B.A. in Psychology

(For use by students entering the Psychology major Fall 2016 – Spring 2019)

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

I. PSYCHOLOGY (42 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 Psychology)
- PSY245 ___ (Behavioral 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 A: Biological Bases of Behavior (1)

- PSY255 ___ (Intro Biopsych)
- PSY335 ___ (Animal Behavior)

Group B: Cognition & Learning (1)

- PSY363 ___ (Psych of Learning)
- PSY475 ___ (Cognitive Psych)

Group C: Human Development (1)

- PSY382 ___ (Inf,Child,Adl Dev)
- W PSY384 ___ (Adult Dev)

Group D: Multicultural & Social (1)

- J PSY120 ___ (Multicultural Psych)
- PSY254 ___ (Social Psych)

Group E: Clinical Psychology (1)

- PSY257 ___ (Personality Theories)
- PSY375 ___ (Abnormal Psych)

Group F: Applied Experiences (1)

- PSY265 ___ (Ind/Org Psych)
- PSY266 ___ (Biopsychology Lab)
- PSY336 ___ (Animal Behavior Lab)
- PSY366 ___ (Psc of Learning Lab)
- W PSY376 ___ (Social Psych Lab)
- W PSY476 ___ (Cognitive Psych Lab)
- PSY410 ___ (Research)
- PSY441 ___ (Field Experience I)
- PSY442 ___ (Field Experience II)
- J PSY448 ___ (Field Experience III)
- J PSY449 ___ (Field Experience IV)

Psychology Electives: Choose an additional three (3) courses from the Psychology Department:

- PSY _____
- PSY _____
- PSY _____

Please note: Any additional PSY courses under Groups A-F may be taken as PSY elective or free elective courses (See reverse side).

II. ACADEMIC FOUNDATIONS (18 cr.)

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

*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.

*MAT 301 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 |
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| _____ | _____ |

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

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

| Course | Grade |
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Social and Behavioral Sciences (6 cr.):

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

| Course | Grade |
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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 as your 101 and 102 courses.

- ❖ You may not take more than 2 CC courses with the same department prefix.
- ❖ 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 other degree requirements.
- ❖ Transfer students entering with 40-70 credits need only two of these courses; those entering with more than 70 credits need only one.
- ❖ If taken at WCU, the following courses will simultaneously fulfill both Psychology major and Writing Emphasis requirements: PSY 246, 365, 376, 384, and 476.

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

| Course | Grade |
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IMPORTANT NOTE: ALL TRANSFER STUDENTS FROM OTHER UNIVERSITIES MUST TAKE AT LEAST HALF OF THEIR PSYCHOLOGY CREDITS AT WCU.