

B.S. in Psychology

GPA:

(For use by students entering the Psychology Major Fall 2019 or later)

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

I. PSYCHOLOGY (51 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):

E	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	(Psych of Learning Lab)
W	PSY376	(Social Psych Lab)
E, 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 six (6) courses from the Psychology Department:

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

II. First-Year Experience (4 cr.)

FYE

III. English Composition (6-7 cr.)

WRT120 (3 cr.) or WRT 123 (4 cr.)

Any 200-level WRT course: WRT

IV. Math (3 cr.)

MAT113

(or MAT 115, MAT 131 or any MAT with MAT113, 115, or 131 as a prerequisite are acceptable)

V. Interdisciplinary* (I-course) (3 cr.)

(1)

VI. Diversity* (J-courses) (6 cr.)

(J-1)

(J-2)

*Courses may 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.

VII. 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: Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Earth/Space Science, or Physics. **Only one course from each discipline.**

Course Grade

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

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

Course Grade

VIII. Ethics Emphasis (E) (3 cr.)

(E-1)

IX. Speaking Emphasis (S) (9 cr.)

(Recommended: SPK208, SPK230, or SPK199 for S-1)

These courses may simultaneously satisfy other degree requirements.

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

(S-1)

(S-2)

(S-3)

X. Writing Emphasis (W) (9 cr.)

These courses may simultaneously satisfy other degree requirements.

❖ 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).

(W-1)

(W-2)

(W-3)

SPEAKING & WRITING EMPHASIS COURSES FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS

❖ Transfer students entering with 40-70 credits need only two S and two W courses; those entering with more than 70 credits need only one S and one W course at the 300/400 level.

XI. FREE ELECTIVES

Take enough free electives to complete **120 credits**. College preparatory courses (e.g., MATQ20, MATQ30) do NOT count towards graduation. The actual number of free electives required will vary depending upon multiple factors.

Course Grade

Repeat Policy: Please note that WCU allows students a total of 6 maximum repeats for their entire undergraduate career. A course may be repeated a maximum of 2 times only! The most recent grade, regardless of whether it is higher or lower, will be the grade used for the GPA calculation. Courses taken at WCU **CANNOT** be repeated at an external institution!

Remedial Q courses can be repeated up to three times. Failure to receive the appropriate passing grade will result in dismissal from WCU.

Academic Probation: Students are placed on Academic Probation if their cumulative GPA falls below 2.0. Students will have 1 academic semester to regain good standing and will be required to create an Academic Recovery Plan (ARP) with their advisors.

IMPORTANT NOTE: **ALL TRANSFER STUDENTS MUST TAKE AT LEAST HALF OF THEIR PSYCHOLOGY CREDITS (9 COURSES) AT WCU**