# LaGrange College Course Catalog Psychological Science

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# B.A. in Psychology - B.A. in Psychology

#### Type:Major

In addition to completing the Ethos curriculum requirements, students pursuing a major in Psychology must complete the following major program requirements:

# Requirements for a B.A. Degree in Psychology

A major in Psychology consists of 44 semester hours

Introductory Courses (3 hours)<sup>1</sup>
PSYC 1101, PSYC 1005, PSYC 1006
Methods (7 hours)<sup>2</sup>
PSYC 2200, PSYC 2298, PSYC 2299
Experimental Content (6 hours)
PSYC 4455, PSYC 4465, PSYC 4470

Social/Personality/Development Content (9 hours)<sup>3</sup> PSYC 3321, (PSYC 3302 or PSYC 3358), PSYC 3350, PSYC 4460

Senior Capstone (4 hours)<sup>4</sup> PSYC 4901, PSYC 4902 Major Electives (12 hours)

An additional 12 hours of major courses will be selected by the student. A student may select any 3000- or 4000-level Psychology course beyond those counted in the required areas. A maximum of two (2) of the following courses— SOCI 2500, SOCI 3500, BIOL 2148, BIOL 3373, BIOL 3374, BIOL 3384, and EXCS 3305—may be applied toward the major with the approval of the advisor. Students pursuing a double major in Psychological Science and Nursing may use NURS 3400 as well.

#### Notes:

- PSYC 1101, Introduction to Psychology, is the prerequisite or co-requisite to most 2000-level and above Psychology courses. Some courses also have additional prerequisites.
- Since the program faculty views psychology as a research-based discipline, these courses provide the foundation for much of the upper-level coursework. It is strongly recommended that the student complete PSYC 2298 and PSYC 2299 as soon as possible after beginning the major.
- 3. Students may take either PSYC 3302 or PSYC 3358—but not *both*—in order to satisfy this requirement. If a student takes both, then one (1) course counts toward the 12 hours of major electives.
- 4. PSYC 4480 will be offered once per year during the Interim term and will involve advanced study of a specialized topic. Topics will vary from year to year.

#### Miscellaneous

No course with a grade below "C-" may be applied toward the major in Psychology. The only exception is PSYC 4000, in which a grade of Pass must be obtained. Additionally, a student must maintain a "C" average (2.0) in the major in order to graduate.

# **Minor in Psychology - Minor in Psychology**

## Type:Minor

A minor in Psychology consists of six (6) courses, one of which must be PSYC 1101. Any Psychology (PSYC) course that is listed in the current bulletin counts toward the minor. A maximum of two (2) of the following courses –SOCI 2500, SOCI 3500, BIOL 2148, BIOL 3374, BIOL 3384, and EXCS 3305 – may be applied towards the minor with the approval of the advisor. Students majoring in nursing will also gain credit towards a minor for completion of NURS 3400 (Psychiatric Mental Health).

#### Path to Art Therapy

Art therapy is a career that uses art, the creative process, and resulting artwork to explore a variety of psychological and emotional issues. Students wanting to pursue this path should major in Art and Design in order to complete the number of student

credit hours required of most graduate programs. Then they should either minor in Psychological science or pursue a double major. Regardless, students interested in this path should take the following courses: PSYC 1101, PSYC 3302, PSYC 3358, PSYC 3350, and PSYC 4460. It would be helpful to also take PSYC 2298 and PSYC 2299, as the graduate program will have research requirements.

#### Path to School Counseling

School Counseling utilizes counseling techniques in school settings. Professionals also have training in planning for college and student success. Students wanting to pursue this path should major in Educational Studies. Then they should either minor in Psychological science or pursue a double major. Regardless, students interested in this path should take the following courses: PSYC 1101, PSYC 3302, PSYC 3304, PSYC 3321, PSYC 3351, and PSYC 3341. It would be helpful to also take PSYC 2298 and PSYC 2299, as the graduate program will have research requirements.

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