

Psychology

Overview

The B.A. in Psychology provides students with an in-depth understanding of human interaction and teaches students to respond to complex individual and social issues. Trinity's psychology program is an integral part of the entire college's curriculum—not only does it support other disciplines through its critical thinking development and social and behavioral courses, but it also facilitates the combination of faith and knowledge into one holistic educational experience.

Psychological concepts and principles are integral components of a variety of professions. Trinity's goal is to provide students with a knowledge base in psychology, and an awareness of various methodologies for psychological research, and to allow students the ability to weigh evidence, act ethically, and reflect Christian values in their lives. In addition, the psychology program is an excellent preparation for graduate studies in a number of different fields.

Courses in the major provide students with comprehensive skills to work in a number of fields. After completing the program, students will be able to:

- understand the knowledge base of psychology
- be aware of various methodologies for research
- weigh evidence
- act ethically and reflect on Christian values

Application Process

Students apply to the degree program during the spring semester of their sophomore year. (Application dates vary for transfer students. See department chair for details). Failure to complete the application process by the stated deadline will delay registration in further courses within the major. Students must be accepted into the degree program to enroll in upper-level courses in major. The student is responsible for any costs incurred in the application process.

Major in Psychology (40 Credits)

Required prerequisites:

PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	[4]
MATH 205	Introduction to Statistics	[4]

Required Courses:

PSYC 250	Research Methods	[4]
PSYC 260	History and Systems	[4]
PSYC 480	Practicum	[4]
or		
PSYC 498	Capstone	[4]

Sub-total credits [12]

Two courses from Area A and two courses from Area B [16]

Area A

PSYC 301	Learning and Behavior	[4]
PSYC 310	Physiology of Behavior	[4]
PSYC 430	Cognition	[4]

Area B

PSYC 320	Human Development & Learning I	[4]
PSYC 340	Social Psychology	[4]
PSYC 401	Abnormal Behavior	[4]

Elective semester credits from Psychology offerings [12]

Total Required Credits [40 credits]

Minor in Psychology (20 Credits)

Pre-requisites:

PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	[4]
PSYC 205	Introduction to Statistics	[4]

Required Minor Courses:

PSYC 250	Research Methods	[4]
PSYC 290	History and Systems	[4]

ONE from area A [4]

PSYC 301	Learning and Behavior
PSYC 310	Physiology of Behavior
PSYC 400	Cognition

ONE from area B [4]

PSYC 330	Introduction to Personality
PSYC 340	Social Psychology
PSYC 401	Abnormal Behavior

One elective course [4]

Electives can include those from area A and B not taken

PSYC 320	Human Development & Learning I
PSYC 399	Independent study/Readings
PSYC 410	Psychological Testing
PSYC 420	Psychology and Religion
PSYC 470	Special Topics
PSYC 495	Supervised Research (2 cr.)

Total Credits [20]