

# PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE, MINOR (440)

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## Program Requirements (22 hours)

The minor in Psychological Science provides graduates with a broad overview of the discipline as well as exposure to the foundations of the discipline. The Psychological Science minor focuses students on becoming more engaged and critical consumers of the science underlying psychology through courses informed by current research and practice in the scientific study of individual and collective behavior, the physical and environmental bases of behavior, and the analysis and treatment of behavioral problems. This minor might appeal to students who are in a pre-professional track (e.g., pre-med) or to students majoring in disciplines where psychological science can inform research and practice (e.g., biology, computer science, philosophy, religious studies, nursing, communication disorders, management, etc.).

| Code   | Title  | Hours     |
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| <b>Required Courses</b>  |  |           |
| PSYS 100<br>or PSYS 160  | Introduction to Psychology<br>Introduction to Biopsychology                        | 3         |
| PSYS 210<br>& PSYS 211   | Research Methods in Psychology<br>and Research Methods in<br>Psychology Laboratory | 4         |
| <b>Individual Differences and Social Processes (Category A)</b>                |  |           |
| PSYS 350<br>or PSYS 440  | Social Psychology<br>Abnormal Psychology   | 3         |
| <b>Learning, Cognition, and Biopsychology (Category B)</b>                     |  |           |
| Select one of the following:   |  | 3         |
| PSYS 331   | Principles of Human and Animal<br>Learning   |           |
| PSYS 333   | Cognitive Psychology   |           |
| PSYS 360   | Behavioral Neuroscience  |           |
| PSYS 363   | Sensory and Perceptual Systems   |           |
| <b>Developmental Processes (Category C)</b>                                    |  |           |
| Select one of the following:   |  | 3         |
| PSYS 220   | Introduction to Lifespan<br>Developmental Psychology                               |           |
| PSYS 321   | Child Developmental Psychology   |           |
| PSYS 423   | Psychology of Adult Life and Aging   |           |
| <b>Additional Upper-level Courses <sup>1</sup></b>                             |  |           |
| Select six additional upper-level credit hours of PSYS courses<br><sup>2</sup> |  | 6         |
| <b>Total Hours</b>   |  | <b>22</b> |

<sup>1</sup> The six additional upper-level credit hours of PSYS courses can include the above restricted elective courses that were not taken to meet the other requirements or any other upper-level PSYS hours. These hours can include no more than 3 credit hours of PSYS 490.

<sup>2</sup> PSYS 300 can be taken to satisfy 3 of the 6 credit hours for these upper-level electives.