

B.A. Psychology

Psychology Department Breadth Requirement: All majors must take at least one course from each of the following five areas:

Area A: Cognitive	PSY 220 - Psychology of Learning PSY 251 - Psychology of Cognition
Area B: Biological	PSY 230 – Introduction to Brain and Behavior PSY 349 - Psychology of Perception PSY 352 - Cognitive Neuroscience
Area C: Developmental	PSY 210 - Child Psychology PSY 211 - Adolescent Psychology PSY 222 - The Adult Years
Area D: Social-Personality	PSY 205 - Social Psychology PSY 208 – Environmental Psychology PSY 215 - Psychology of Personality
Area E: Clinical-Counseling	PSY 202 - Abnormal Psychology PSY 203 – Clinical Psychology PSY 260 – Health Psychology

Advanced Seminar or Research Course: All majors are required to take *at least one* upper level seminar or research course from the list provided below:

PSY 412 - Advanced Developmental Psychology
PSY 415 - Advanced Personality-Social Psychology
PSY 425 – Advanced Experimental Psychology
PSY 439 - Community Psychology
PSY 450 - Research Seminar in Psychology

NOTE: The above courses have numerous prerequisites which students are advised to fulfill as early as possible in their program.

Psychology with Distinction (optional)

Eligible students (minimum overall GPA of 3.30 and minimum psychology GPA of 3.50) who wish to participate in the Psychology with Distinction opportunity must take PSY 475 Psychology Honors Guided Readings and PSY 476 Psychology Honors Thesis in addition to the 39-credit major. It is the student's responsibility to identify a psychology faculty member willing to direct the student for the 6-credit honors work. PSY 475, the first course in the sequence, cannot be taken sooner than second semester in the junior year or after at least 75 SH have been completed. PSY 324 and Advanced Seminar (PSY 412, 415, 425, 439 or 450) are a prerequisites for PSY 475. Please consult with your advisor if you are interested in this optional opportunity.

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WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

B.A. PSYCHOLOGY

Student _____

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I. GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (34 S.H. plus Phys. Ed.)*

Communication Skills (3 S.H.)

COM 160, 161, 162 or 163 _____ 3 _____

Has completed one Writing Intensive (W) course Yes _____ No _____

Humanities [15 S.H. minimum, including 3 of 7 fields: Fine and Applied

Arts –(only 1 studio course accepted toward minimum) Communications,
Foreign Language, Humanistic Studies, Literature, Philosophy, Western History]

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Social & Behavioral Sciences (6 S.H. minimum including one of each field: Non-Western Culture, Social Sciences)

NWC _____ 3 _____
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Natural Sciences & Mathematics (10 S.H. minimum

including both lab. science and math. or computer science)

Lab. Science _____ 2, 3, or 4 _____
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Health Promotion and Exercise Sciences (2 S.H.)

HPX 177 Fitness for Life _____ 2 _____

II. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (39 S.H. or Optional 45 S.H.)

Students must maintain a min. GPA of 2.0 in their major in order to graduate.

The 5 courses listed below must be taken in sequence.

PSY 100 Introduction to Psychology _____ 3 _____

PSY 201 Principles of Research in Psychology _____ 3 _____

♦ PSY 204 Psychological Statistics _____ 3 _____

♦♦ PSY 324 Experimental Psychology _____ 3 _____

Advanced Seminar or Research Course (*see reverse side*)
 _____ 3 _____

Breadth Requirement—min. of 1 course from each area -(*see reverse side*)

Area A: Cognitive _____ 3 _____

Area B: Biological _____ 3 _____

Area C: Developmental _____ 3 _____

Area D: Social-Personality _____ 3 _____

Area E: Clinical-Counseling _____ 3 _____

9 elective credits from depart. offerings (one must be 300 or 400 level)
 _____ 3 or 4 _____
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Optional Psychology with Distinction (additional 6 S.H.)

PSY 475 Honors Guided Reading in Psych _____ 3 _____

PSY 476 Honors Thesis in Psych _____ 3 _____

III. Free Electives+ (47 S.H., 41 S.H. if pursuing Psych w/Distinction)

Foreign Language Requirement Completed: Yes _____ No _____

+Minimum of 122 S.H. including HPX 177 for B.A. Degree

♦Prereq: minimum grade of C- in PSY 201

♦♦Prereq: minimum grade of C- in PSY 201 & PSY 204

Office Admissions Evaluation of Transfer Credit

Entering Date _____ **day/eve/full/part-time**

Previous School(s) _____

Number Title Credits

Foreign Language Requirement Met Through

High School Exemption: Yes _____ No _____

Total Transfer Credits _____

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* General education requirements at Western total 42 semester hours. In some instances, work toward a major program partially fulfills general education requirements. The remaining general education requirements for this program are shown above.