Advising Guide for Freshman & Sophomores

PSYCHOLOGY

Psychology students will begin in the Social & Behavioral Sciences Focus Area. Transfer credits, AP and other credit will be evaluated on an individual basis. Please speak with your academic advisor for your individual plan.

General Education Courses (38-39 hours)

<u>Freshman Requirement (1 hour)</u> COUN 1008 – Mastering College (1)

<u>Communications (9 hours)</u> ENGL 1000 – Writing Studies I (3) ENGL 1010 – Writing Studies II (3) COMM 1000 – Public Discourse (3)

Humanities and Fine Arts (9 hours) Fine Arts Course (3) FYS 1001 – First Year Seminar (3) Humanities or Fine Arts Course (3)

Mathematics (3) Mathematics (3)

Physical and Life Sciences (7-8) [at least one course must contain a lab] Life Science Course (3-4) Physical Science Course (3-4)

Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 hours)

[courses must be from at least two different disciplines] PSYC 1101 – Principles of Psychology (3) PSYC 2345 – Social Psychology (3) Social and Behavioral Science Course (3)

Major Courses (31 hours)

<u>Core Courses (25 hours)</u> PSYC 2102 – Thinking & Writing in Psych (4) PSYC 2150 – Intro to Research Methods (3) PSYC 2201 – Life-Span Dev. Psych (3) PSYC 2410 – Personality Theories (3) PSYC 3099 – Ethics in Psych (3) PSYC 3150 – Psychology Statistics (3) PSYC 3430 – Abnormal Psychology (3) PSYC 4950 – Psych Issues & Social Values (3)

<u>Cognitive/Behavioral Psychology (3 hours)</u> Select <u>one</u> of the following: PSYC 3520 – Cognitive Psychology (3) PSYC 3524 – Principles of Learning & Beh. (3)

Biological Psychology (3 hours)

Select <u>one</u> of the following: PSYC 3675 – Biopsychology (3) PSYC 3680 – Intro to Neuropsychology (3)

Concentration (9-22 hours)

- Select from: Psychology, Forensic Psych, Mindfulness or Pre-Clinical
- Please see your advisor and catalog for concentration courses.

Electives (29-42 hours)

- Electives amounts will vary based on concentration selected.
- A minimum of 9-30 hours required to be completed at the upper division based on previously completed courses

Minimum Total 120

Students must earn a "C" or better in all general education courses. Advising guide updated 8.29.2019

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