PSYCHOLOGY, MINOR

Saint Louis University's minor in psychology enriches students' academic experiences with the science behind human behavior. Coursework highlights how our behaviors depend on biological factors, developmental status, cognitive processes and social conditions.

Exposure to psychological science in the minor enhances students’ abilities to critically evaluate behavioral science and understand human behaviors and interactions encountered in their professional and personal lives. A minor in psychology complements all major programs due to the relevance of understanding human behavior in all fields. Its application is most apparent within fields related to human behaviors, such as:

- Business
- Communication
- Education
- Health care
- Law
- Public health
- Political science
- Social work and other fields involving the delivery of human services
- Sociology and areas of studies associated with social and cultural identities

Program Highlights

- Courses delivered through SLU’s minor in psychology program are taught by recognized experts and researchers in the field.
- Students pursuing a minor in psychology at SLU experience a flexible curriculum. Aside from the general psychology requirement, students are free to choose from a menu of courses under four areas of breadth, as well as an additional advanced elective option, allowing for a curriculum tailored to their individual interests.
- To help optimize their experiences, all SLU psychology minors are assigned a faculty mentor.

Requirements

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Required Breadth Courses

Select a minimum of one course in each of the four areas below: 12

**Cognitive Neuroscience**

Select 3 credit hours with the "PSY Cog Neuro Cluster" attribute, such as:

- PSY 3100 Brain, Mind, & Society
- PSY 3120 Cognitive Psychology

**Developmental Psychology**

Select 3 credit hours with the "PSY Dev Cluster" attribute, such as:

- PSY 3210 Developmental Psych: Child
- PSY 3230 Developmental Psychology: Adolescence

**Social & Organizational Psychology**

Select 3 credit hours with the "PSY Soc Org Cluster" attribute, such as:

- PSY 3300 Social Psychology
- PSY 3410 Organizational Psychology

**Mental Health and Wellbeing in Applied Contexts**

Select 3 credit hours with the "PSY Health Applied Cluster" attribute, such as:

- PSY 3460 Abnormal Psychology
- PSY 3470 Occupational Health Psychology

**Psychology Elective Course**

Select 3 credits of advanced elective courses in Psychology 1

Or

**Psychology Advanced Elective**

Select 3 credits with the "Psychology Minor Advanced Elective" attribute, such as:

- PSY 4340 African American Psychology
- PSY 4480 Psychology and Law

Total Credits 18

1 Excluding PSY 4790 Practicum (1-6 cr), PSY 4800 Undergraduate Research (1-6 cr), PSY 4960 Advanced Research Methodology and Statistics (4 cr), PSY 4965 Capstone Practicum Project (3 cr), PSY 4967 Capstone Research Project (3 cr), or PSY 4969 Critical Thinking About Psychology (3 cr).

Continuation Standards

To continue as a psychology minor, students must earn a C or better in PSY 1010 General Psychology (3 cr) and maintain a SLU psychology GPA of 2.00.

Minors are not required to meet with a psychology faculty mentor but are welcome to do so. The formal mentoring period typically begins after fall break and spring break.

Madrid

Students can complete all or part of the psychology minor at SLU’s campus in Madrid.