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 where human behaviors are more focal, such as those related to health care, law, social work and other fields involving the delivery of human services, communication, business, education, public health, political science, sociology, and areas of studies associated with social and cultural identities. Courses delivered through the program at SLU include those taught by recognized experts and researchers in the field.

Students pursuing a minor in psychology at SLU will experience a flexible curriculum. Aside from the general psychology requirement, students are free to choose from a menu of courses under four areas of study (applied, cognitive-neuroscience, developmental, and social/personality), as well as an additional elective option, allowing for a curriculum tailored to meet students’ individual interests. To help optimize their experiences, all SLU psychology minors are assigned a faculty mentor.

Requirements

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### Required Area Courses

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

**Cognitive Neuroscience**

- PSY 3100 Brain, Mind & Society
- PSY 3120 Cognitive Psychology
- PSY 3130 Physiological Psychology
- PSY 3150 Introduction to Neuroscience 2: Cognitive and Behavioral
- PSY 3160 Learning & Memory
- PSY 4140 Psychopharmacology
- PSY 4150 Science of Sleep
- PSY 4710 Studies in Cognition/Neuroscience

**Developmental Psychology**

- PSY 3210 Developmental Psych: Child
- PSY 3230 Developmental Psychology: Adolescence
- PSY 4270 Cross-Cultural Psychology of Human Development
- PSY 4720 Studies in Developmental Psychology

**Personality/Social Psychology**

- PSY 3300 Social Psychology
- PSY 3310 Personality Theory
- PSY 4320 Close Relationships
- PSY 4330 Psychology of Oppression
- PSY 4340 African American Psychology
- PSY 4350 Health Psychology

### Additional Elective Options

- PSY 4390 Abnormal Psychology

### Applied Psychology

- PSY 3450 Counseling for the Helping Professions
- PSY 3470 Occupational Health Psychology
- PSY 4410 Organizational Psychology
- PSY 4430 Psychology of Trauma
- PSY 4440 Sports Psychology
- PSY 4480 Psychology and Law
- PSY 4490 Teams in Organizations
- PSY 4730 Studies in Applied Psychology

**Psychology Elective Course**

Select 3 credits of additional 3000 or 4000 level courses in Psychology

### 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 (0,4 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 begins directly after fall break and spring break.

### Madrid

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

Learn More (http://www.slu.edu/madrid/academics/degrees-and-programs/minors.php)