**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

### Psychology Elective Course

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

### Total Credits

18

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.