

REQUIREMENTS FOR PSYCHOLOGY MAJORS (class of 2024 and beyond)

The major consists of eleven courses:

- Three **CORE** courses; to be completed by the end of the junior year
 - PSYC 101 Principles of Psychology
 - PSYC 218 Statistics
 - PSYC 261 Research Methods or ED/PY 262 Community-Based Research Methods

- Three **FOUNDATION** courses. 1)_____ 2)_____ 3)_____ All 200-level courses listed in psychology or cross-listed with psychology fulfill this requirement, as do the courses listed below:
 - NS/PY 160. Introduction to Neuroscience. (Biological.)

- Three **UPPER-LEVEL** courses. 1)_____ 2)_____ 3)_____ All 300-level courses listed in psychology or cross-listed with psychology fulfill this requirement. At least two of the required 300-level courses must be taken at Bates.

- Students take one course with a **CONNECTION** to psychology
The purpose of this requirement is to help students make connections between psychology and other fields that study behavior and mental processes. In order for a course to fulfill this requirement, students must provide a brief description of the connections they see between the course and behavior or mental processes. One-credit courses at any level and from any department or program may be considered for this requirement, including first-year seminars. Half-credit courses, courses listed in or cross-listed with psychology, and first-year seminars taught by psychology faculty may *not* fulfill this requirement.

- Additional Requirements**
 - One class must have content related to inclusion, diversity, equity, and accessibility, denoted by (IDEA.).
 - One class must have content related to the brain, denoted by (Biological.).

- One **CAPSTONE** course from among the following:
 - PSYC 457A, 458A. Senior Thesis/Empirical Research.
 - PSYC 457B, 458B. Senior Thesis/Community Based Research.
 - PSYC 457C, 458C. Senior Thesis/Theoretical and Review Integration.
 - PSYC 457D, 458D. Empirical Research Thesis SeminarAny other capstone seminar in psychology, neuroscience, or cross-listed in neuroscience.

- Short Term courses may not be counted toward the major for Class of 2024 and beyond.
- It is recommended that students take no more than twelve courses in the major, including the thesis.
- Students may transfer no more than two courses taken outside Bates College to the psychology major.