

Bachelor of Arts (BA) – Psychology (70 credits) Cheney and Bellevue Campus (23-24 catalog)

The BA in Psychology is one of the most versatile degrees offered and emphasizes a foundational preparation in contemporary psychology that allows you to pursue graduate school or careers in psychology-related professions and/or research. Coursework includes breadth content as recommended by the American Psychological Association along with opportunities for focused experience and application. Students with a BA in Psychology pursue careers in direct service, social service, research, data analysis, human resources, corrections, and customer service, and can go on to graduate training in School Psychology, Counseling, Clinical Psychology, Social Work, Addiction Studies, and other areas.

1. You are responsible for making sure you have completed all EWU general undergraduate requirements as delineated in the EWU catalog and are strongly encouraged to complete them as early as possible.
2. To declare the BA Psychology major, students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of C/2.0 and taken and passed PSYC 100 (or its equivalent) with a C /2.0 or higher. Transfer students may be given credit for appropriate transfer courses in the major and for electives. Transfer credits will be limited to 20 lower division courses and no more than 30 transfer credits total applied toward the major.
3. PSYC 100, PSYC 309, PSYC 310, PSYC 413 (previously PSYC 313), and focus experience courses must be passed with a C/2.0 or higher. No minor is required.
4. In addition to the BA requirements, to graduate you will need to complete University Requirements including:
 - a. A minimum of 180 credits total
 - b. 60 upper division credits
 - c. Foreign language: Two years of high school or one year (3 quarters) of college foreign language
 - d. A Diversity course (PSYC/GWSS 331, PSYC/GWSS 321 (previously PSYC 421), or other university option)
 - e. A Global Studies course (PSYC 374 (previously PSYC 474) or other university option)
 - f. A Senior Capstone or Senior Thesis (PSYC 490 or PSYC 491 by faculty invitation)
 - g. Apply for graduation and pay the graduation fee by the deadline and two quarters in advance of your intended graduation quarter
5. Map out a general schedule identifying when you plan to take each course. Not all PSYC courses are offered each quarter. Check with your Departmental Advisor and the University Catalog to identify course prerequisites. Complete prerequisites early (e.g., PSYC 309, PSYC 310) so you have flexibility to take other courses when they are offered.
6. Consult with your Departmental Advisor and the instructor teaching the course for information about enrolling in Internship (Dr. Linda Kirsch lkirsch02@ewu.edu) and Directed Study courses. Instructor's permission is required for registration for Directed Study and Internship courses.
7. **Psi Chi** is an International Honor Society in Psychology and EWU has a chapter. Their email is psichi@ewu.edu.
8. **Graduate School Preparation** – Psychology and Counseling graduate programs are competitive. If you are hoping to start the fall following graduation, it is in your best interest to get started right away. Deadlines for application are typically in the fall and winter of your senior year. Here are some things that you should be considering:
 - a. Researching programs in the locations and areas in which you are interested, including requirements (e.g., GRE test), and applied experience – most people apply to multiple programs
 - b. Taking courses required for the types of programs you are considering
 - c. Getting involved in volunteer work/internships and research; be thinking about letters of recommendation

All Majors are required to take the following courses. Taking PSYC 309 prior to PSYC 310 is highly recommended. Must receive a C/2.0 or higher in all required courses.

COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	CR	COURSE PREREQUISITES
PSYC 100	General Psychology	5	Must receive a C or higher
PSYC 309	Scientific Principles of Psychology	5	Math proficiency required.
PSYC 310	Psychological Statistics	5	Math proficiency required. MATH 121 recommended.
PSYC 413	Research Methods in Psychology	5	PSYC 309, PSYC 310, and English proficiency with a C or higher (previously PSYC 313)
PSYC 490	Senior Capstone: The Tradition of Psychology	6	PSYC 309, PSYC 310, and PSYC 413 (previously PSYC 313)

Focus Experience Courses. Three (3) credits in any combination. Must receive a C or higher.

PSYC 495	Internship	3	Permission of instructor <i>Dr. Linda Kirsch</i> <i>lkirsch02@ewu.edu</i>
PSYC 498	Seminar		
PSYC 499	Directed Study		Permission of instructor

Cluster A - Core Courses. Students are required to take at least four (4) of the following (18-20 credits).

PSYC 301	Theories of Personality	5	
PSYC 302	Abnormal Psychology	5	
PSYC 303	Foundations of Psychotherapy	5	PSYC 301 and PSYC 302
PSYC 201 or PSYC 305 or PSYC 306	Lifespan Development Child and Adolescent Dev. or Adult Development	5 4 4	English proficiency; Math proficiency recommended English proficiency; Math proficiency recommended
PSYC 316	Human Memory and Cognition	5	Junior standing or instructor permission
PSYC 324	Conditioning and Learning	4	Junior standing
PSYC 340	Emotions and Emotional Intel.	5	PSYC 100 or Equivalent
PSYC 374	Cultural Psychology	5	PSYC 100 (previously PSYC 474)
PSYC 381	Social Psychology	5	PSYC 309 recommended
PSYC 420	Biological Basis of Behavior	5	PSYC 309

Cluster B – Applied/Lab Courses. Students are required to take at least three (3) of the following (10-15 credits).

PSYC 312	Computer Statistical Analysis	4	PSYC 310
PSYC 314	Tests and Measurements	5	PSYC 310
PSYC 317	Health Psychology	5	PSYC 309
PSYC 319	Black Psychology	5	Junior standing
PSYC 321	Care/Custody of Female Offenders	5	Cross-listed with GWSS 321 (previously PSYC 421).
PSYC 323	Drugs and Behavior	5	PSYC 100 recommended.
PSYC 325	Cognitive and Behavioral Change	4	PSYC 100
PSYC 331	Psychology of Women	4	English proficiency. Cross-listed with GWSS 331.
PSYC 359	Human Sexuality	5	
PSYC 425	Psychology and the Legal System	5	PSYC 100 or instructor permission.
PSYC 429	Psycho-oncology	5	PSYC 100 with a B or higher
PSYC 433	Intro to Compassion Focused Tx	3	PSYC 100, PSYC 302 preferred.
PSYC 440	Happiness and Positive Psychology	5	Junior standing
PSYC 450	Trauma: Theory, Assessment, & Tx	4	PSYC 302 recommended.
PSYC 452	Social Influence	4	Junior standing or instructor permission.
PSYC 461	Industrial Organizational Psych.	5	
PSYC 470	Childhood Psychopathology and Tx	5	Junior standing
PSYC 496	Experimental Course	1-5	

Elective Credits (6-15 credits). The remainder of courses required to complete the 70-credit major may be chosen from any of the above courses that are not used to meet the group requirement. Only one developmental course (PSYC 201 or 305 or PSYC 306) may be used with the BA degree.