Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology
Henderson State University
Updated 04/09/19

☐ 1 Henderson Seminar (GEN1031 for anyone entering with less than 15 hours previous college credit)

Liberal Arts Core (C or better required for at least 38 of the 45 liberal arts core hours)

Liberal Arts Core: Essential Skills

- English (6 hours; freshman and/or sophomore year)
  - 1. English A (ENG1463; C or better before English B)
  - 2. English B (ENG1473) or English-Honors (ENG1803)

  Communication (3 hours; sophomore year)
  - Oral Communication (COM2013)

- Mathematics (3 hours; sophomore year)
  - Quantitative Literacy (MTH1033), Math through Practical Application (MTH1083), Algebra for Elementary or Middle Grades (MTH1213), College Algebra (MTH1243), Precalculus Math (MTH1273), or other advanced math courses (See HSU catalog)

- Health & Recreation (1 hour; freshman or sophomore year)
  - Life Fitness Concepts (HPR1011) or any HPR activity course (see HSU catalog)

Liberal Arts Core: Academic Enrichment

- Fine Arts & Humanities (6 hours; freshman or sophomore year)
  - Studies in Literature (ENG2053, 2023, 2683, or 2793; C or better in English A & B before Literature)
  - Humanities Art (ART2033), Humanities Studio (ART2603), Fine Arts-Honors (HUM2093), Humanities Music (MUS2033), History Music (MUS4363 & 4373-WI), or Humanities Theatre Arts (THA2033)

- Social Sciences (9 hours; freshman or sophomore year)
  - World Civilization to/since 1660 (HIS1013 & 1023), or World Civilization since 1660-Honors (HIS1043)
  - US History-to/since 1877 (HIS2053 or 2063), or American National Government (PSC1013)
  - General Psychology or General Psychology Honors (PSY1013 or 1073)

- Natural Science (8 hours; freshman or sophomore year)
  - Life Science (4 hours including lab): Biology & Lab (BIO1013 & 1021), General Botany (BIO2104), or General Zoology (BIO2114)
  - Physical Science (4 hours including lab): Chemistry (CHM1004, 1014, 1034, 1044) or Physics (PHY1024, 2034, or 2234)

- Non-Western Culture (3 hours; sophomore, junior or senior year -- see HSU catalog for other options)
  - Cross-Cultural Psychology (PSY3043) or Multi-Cultural Mental Health (PSY3053)

- Liberal Arts Elective (3 hours; junior or senior year)
  - Anthropology (ANT2013), Economics (ECO2013, 2023); Foreign Language (FRE1013, GER1013, SPA1013, or higher level); Geography (GEO1023, 2163); Philosophy (PHI2013, 2083, 3043, 3053, 3113); Sociology (SOC1013) or any Civilization, US History, or American National Government course listed in Social Sciences

  Advanced Writing Across the Curriculum (3 hours advanced writing from these options)
  - University Writing (ENG3313), Technical Writing (ENG3613), Advanced Composition (ENG4453), Magazine and Feature Writing (MMC4223) or Creative Nonfiction (MMC4293)

1 ☐ Check the box if you have complete the course. Put semester and year on the line, e.g. for Fall 2015 semester put F 15, for Summer I 2015 RI 15
2 See catalog course descriptions for Arkansas Course Transfer System (ACTS) course number equivalencies.
**Major: Psychology Requirements**

**Required Core Courses (22 hours; plus 9 hours from electives below)**

- [ ] General Psychology (PSY1013)
- [ ] Abnormal Psychology (PSY2023)
- [ ] Developmental Psychology (PSY2263) or [ ] Social Psychology (PSY3063)
- [ ] Research Statistics (PSY2143)
- [ ] Learning (PSY3533)
- [ ] Learning Laboratory (PSY3541)
- [ ] Research Methods (PSY3733)
- [ ] Tests & Measurements (PSY4433)

**Psychology Elective Courses (9 hours or more required)**

- [ ] General Psychology Honors (PSY1073)
- [ ] Applied Psychology (PSY2033)
- [ ] Developmental Psychology (PSY2263)
- [ ] Human Diversity (PSY2373)
- [ ] Special Topics in Psychology (PSY3003; may repeat when topic changes)
- [ ] Cross-Cultural Psychology (PSY3043; Nonwestern Culture course)
- [ ] Multicultural Mental Health (PSY3053; Nonwestern Culture course)
- [ ] Social Psychology (PSY3063)
- [ ] Personality (PSY3113)
- [ ] Cognitive Psychology (PSY3153)
- [ ] Infancy & Childhood (PSY3213)
- [ ] Critical & Analytical Thinking (PSY3233)
- [ ] History & Systems (PSY3273)
- [ ] Motivation (PSY3303)
- [ ] Forensic Psychology (PSY3333)
- [ ] Special Topics in Psychology (PSY4003; may repeat when topic changes)
- [ ] Sensation & Perception (PSY4283)
- [ ] Physiological Psychology (PSY4293)
- [ ] Behavior Modification (PSY4323)
- [ ] Advanced Statistics (PSY4343)
- [ ] Psychology in Literature (PSY4353)
- [ ] Verbal Behavior (PSY4363)
- [ ] Problems of Adolescence (PSY4383)
- [ ] Love & Sexual Behavior (PSY4693)
- [ ] Psychology of Religion (PSY4723)
- [ ] Counseling Theories & Techniques (PSY4743)
- [ ] Advanced Experimental Psychology (PSY4833)
- [ ] Advanced Social Psychology (PSY4863)

**Note:** After doing Research Methods (PSY3733) students who want to present their data at regional or national conferences or write peer-reviewed journal articles may do so by taking Advance Experimental Psychology (PSY4833) or Advanced Social Psychology (PSY4863).

Courses offered outside the classroom include Practicum in Psychology (PSY4713) and Independent Study (PSY4703). These are special courses for advanced students. **No one** is automatically permitted to take these. Each student interested in taking PSY4713 or 4703 must submit a formal plan for the proposed project or volunteer work, which must be approved by both the mentoring professor and the person who will supervise the volunteer work.
**Foreign Language** (6 hours at intermediate level; French, German or Spanish)

- [ ] 1. Elementary I
- [ ] 2. Elementary II
- [ ] 3. Intermediate I
- [ ] 4. Intermediate II

**Note:** Technically only 6 hours in Intermediate are required. Elementary courses are prerequisites for the Intermediates, therefore most students must take 12 hours altogether. However, students demonstrating sufficient background *might* get to skip Elementary courses. Languages other than French, German, or Spanish might be permitted; check with the Foreign Languages Coordinator.

**Minor** (include at least one 3000-4000 level course; Refer to Minor Department’s specific requirements)

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**Junior-Senior Courses (3000-4000 Level; 42 hours)** Psychology (at least 9 hours), Intermediate Foreign Language (6 hours, if taken in the last 2 years) and Minor (at least 3 hours)

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**Note:** Students may not take 3000 level courses or higher until all necessary remedial work is successfully completed.

- Remedial courses do not count toward graduation. They do not count toward any requirements except completion of remediation.
- Remedial courses, if any are required based on your ACT scores, must be taken every semester until you pass them.
- Repeated courses only count once except when a class's catalogue course description specifies that it may be repeated.
- Courses that meet requirements in two different areas (such as when General Psychology counts toward both Social Sciences and your Psychology major requirements) should only be added once when figuring your total hours toward graduation.
- No more than 7 hours of D may meet liberal arts core (general education) requirements. No more than 30 hours with a grade of D may count overall.
- No hours with a grade of F count.
- A student who earned 60 hours of credit from all schools attended may not earn additional credit hours at a two-year institution.

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**Checklist for Graduation**

- [ ] Minimum GPA 2.00
- [ ] Completed all required courses (liberal arts core, major, minor, additional requirements)
- [ ] Repeat core courses in major and/or minor if you made D or F
- [ ] Apply for Graduation before final semester
- [ ] **Total hours (at least 120)**
- [ ] ETS Major Field Test in psychology
- [ ] **Commencement!!**
In addition to core courses, all Psychology majors complete the ETS Major Field Test in Psychology.

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