



2007 – 08 PETITION/PROGRAM SHEET

Degree: Bachelor of Arts

Major: Psychology

www.mesastate.edu/schools/shss/sbs/psy/psy.htm

About This Major . . .

Students may pursue the Psychology B.A. degree or the Psychology B.A. degree with a concentration in Counseling Psychology. All majors are required to complete some laboratory coursework in which they conduct research in classical and operant conditioning and/or memory and cognition. Internships are required for counseling students and are available at nearby human service agencies and treatment centers. The psychology programs provide students with a working knowledge of the methods and findings of modern psychology. Students majoring in psychology are prepared to work in a wide variety of settings, including human services (counseling and social work), public affairs, business, sales, criminal justice, and (following graduate study) psychotherapy, teaching and research. The psychology program at Mesa State provides a strong foundation for graduate study in psychology and related disciplines.

The study of psychology prepares students to work in a wide variety of work settings, including human services (counseling and social work), public affairs, business, sales, criminal justice (probation officer or corrections officer), the hospitality industry, and with graduate training, teaching and research. The psychology program at Mesa State provides a strong foundation for further study in the field of psychology, as well. Many of MSC’s psychology majors have successfully continued their education in graduate programs in psychology. A few have continued on to medical school or law school.

The psychology program sponsors a Psychology Club and a local chapter of the national honor society in psychology, Psi Chi. Through active membership in these organizations, students are encouraged to become involved in community service and to attend and present their research at regional and national conferences.

POLICIES:

- 1. It is your responsibility to determine whether you have met the requirements for your degree. Please see the MSC Catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.
2. You must turn in your "Intent to Graduate" form to the Registrar's Office by September 15 if you plan to graduate the following May, and by February 15 if you plan to graduate the following December.
3. This program sheet must be submitted with your graduation planning sheet to your advisor during the semester prior to the semester of graduation, no later than October 1 for spring graduates, no later than March 1 for fall graduates.
4. Your advisor will sign and forward the Program Sheet and Graduation Planning Sheet to the Department Head for signature.
5. Finally, the Department Head or the department administrative assistant will take the signed forms to the Registrar's Office. (Students cannot handle the forms once the advisor signs.)
6. If your petition for graduation is denied, it will be your responsibility to reapply for graduation in a subsequent semester. Your "Intent to Graduate" does not automatically move to a later graduation date.
7. NOTE: The semester before graduation, you will be required to take a Major Field Achievement Test (exit exam).

NAME: _____ STUDENT ID # _____

LOCAL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER: _____
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I, (Signature) _____, hereby certify that I have completed (or will complete) all the courses listed on the Program Sheet. I further certify that the grade listed for those courses is the final course grade received except for the courses in which I am currently enrolled and the courses which I complete next semester. I have indicated the semester in which I will complete these courses.

Signature of Advisor _____ Date _____ 20

Signature of Department Head _____ Date _____ 20

Signature of Registrar _____ Date _____ 20

Students should work closely with a faculty advisor when selecting and scheduling courses prior to registration.

Degree Requirements:

- 120 semester hours total (A minimum of 28 taken at MSC)
- 40 upper division credits (A minimum of 15 taken within the major at MSC)
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all MSC coursework
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in coursework toward the major content area
- When filling out the program sheet a course can be used only once.
- Excess KINA courses beyond the two required and pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- Program sheets are for advising purposes only. Because a program may have requirements specific to the degree, check with your advisor for additional guidelines, including prerequisites, grade point averages, grades, exit examinations, and other expectations. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of, and follow, all guidelines for the degree being pursued. Any exceptions or substitutions must be approved by the faculty advisor and/or Department Head.
- See the "Undergraduate Graduation Requirements" in the Mesa State College catalog for additional graduation information.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (31 Semester Hours)

See the current Mesa State College catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is on the general education list of options and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection within the general education requirement.

| Course No | Title | Sem.hrs | Grade | Term/Trns |
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English (6 semester hours, must receive a grade of "C" or better and must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)
 ENGL 111 English Composition 3 _____
 ENGL 112 English Composition 3 _____
 (ENGL 129, Honors English, may be substituted for ENGL 111 & ENGL 112.)

Math: MATH 110 **or higher** (3 semester hours, must receive a grade of "C" or better, must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)
 MATH 1 _____

Humanities (3 semester hours)

Social and Behavioral Sciences (6 semester hours)

Natural Sciences (7 semester hours, one course must include a lab)

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History (3 semester hours)
 HIST _____

Fine Arts (3 semester hours)

| Course No | Title | Sem.hrs | Grade | Term/Trns |
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OTHER LOWER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

Kinesiology (3 semester hours)

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| KINE 100 | Health and Wellness | 1 | _____ | _____ |
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Applied Studies (3 semester hours)

DEGREE DISTINCTION REQUIREMENTS (6 semester hours)

Two **consecutive** classes in the **same** foreign language. Must receive a grade of "C" or better. FLAS 114 & 115 will **NOT** fulfill this requirement.
 FLA _____
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PSYCHOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

(47 semester hours) Must pass all courses with a grade of "C" or higher. To continue in the program and eventually graduate as psychology majors a student must earn, within no more than three attempts, at least a grade of "C" in the major requirements.

Psychology Core (23 Semester hours)

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| PSYC 150 | General Psychology | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| PSYC 312 | Experimental Psychology | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| PSYC 312L | Experimental Psychology Lab | 1 | _____ | _____ |
| PSYC 314 | Psychology of Learning | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| PSYC 314L | Psychology of Learning Lab | 1 | _____ | _____ |
| PSYC 320 | Social Psychology | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| PSYC 414 | Systems & Theories of Psychology. | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| SOCI 310 | Methods of Social Research | 3 | _____ | _____ |

OR

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| PSYC 311 | Quantitative Research Methods | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| STAT 200 | Probability and Statistics | 3 | _____ | _____ |

Psychology Electives (24 upper division Semester Hours) Select from:
 ANTH 340, PSYC 310, PSYC 325, PSYC 330, PSYC 335, PSYC 340, PSYC 350, PSYC 360, PSYC 370, PSYC 380, PSYC 395, PSYC 396, PSYC 400, PSYC 410, PSYC 412, PSYC 416, PSYC 420, PSYC 422, PSYC 425, PSYC 430, PSYC 495, PSYC 496, *SOCI 310, *PSYC 311
 (*If **not** taken as **Psychology core**)

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Electives (All college level courses appearing on your final transcript, **not listed above** that will bring your total semester hours to 120 hours. Excludes KINA activity courses.) (31 semester hours; additional upper division hours may be needed.)

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SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCING FOR A MAJOR IN PSYCHOLOGY

This is a recommended sequence of course work. Certain courses may have prerequisites or are only offered during the Fall or Spring semesters. It is the student's responsibility to meet with their advisor and check the 2 year course matrix on the Mesa State website for course availability.

FRESHMAN YEAR

| <u>Fall Semester</u> | <u>Hours</u> | <u>Spring Semester</u> | <u>Hours</u> |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|--------------|
| ENGL 111 English Composition | 3 | ENGL 112 English Composition | 3 |
| General Education Humanities | 3 | General Education Humanities | 3 |
| General Education Applied Studies | 3 | General Education Mathematics | 3 |
| General Education Science | 3 | Elective | 3 |
| PSYC 150 General Psychology | 3 | Elective | 3 |
| KINE 100 Health and Wellness | <u>1</u> | KINA Activities (2 courses) | <u>2</u> |
| | 16 | | 17 |

SOPHOMORE YEAR

| <u>Fall Semester</u> | <u>Hours</u> | <u>Spring Semester</u> | <u>Hours</u> |
|---|--------------|---|--------------|
| General Education Fine Arts | 3 | General Education Science with Lab | 3 or 4 |
| Degree Distinction (Foreign Language) | 3 | Degree Distinction (Foreign Language) | 3 |
| General Education – Social/Behavioral Science | 3 | General Education – Social/Behavioral Science | 3 |
| Elective | 3 | Elective | 3 |
| STAT 200 Probability and Statistics | <u>3</u> | PSYC 312/312L Experimental Psychology and Lab | <u>4</u> |
| | 15 | | 16 or 17 |

JUNIOR YEAR*

| <u>Fall Semester</u> | <u>Hours</u> | <u>Spring Semester</u> | <u>Hours</u> |
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| PSYC 314/314L Psychology of Learning and Lab | 4 | Upper Division PSYC Electives (2) | 6 |
| PSYC 320 Social Psychology | 3 | Electives (2) | 6 |
| Upper Division Psychology Electives (3) | <u>9</u> | PSYC 311 Quantitative Research Methods <u>or</u> | 3 |
| | 16 | SOCI 310 Methods of Social Research* | <u>3</u> |
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*You have a choice of taking PSYC 311 or SOCI 310. If you choose to do so, you may take both and one will count as part of the Psychology Core (as an Upper Division PSYC elective.)

SENIOR YEAR

| <u>Fall Semester</u> | <u>Hours</u> | <u>Spring Semester</u> | <u>Hours</u> |
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| PSYC 414 Systems and Theories | 3 | Upper Division Psychology Elective | 3 |
| Upper Division PSYC Electives (2) | 6 | Electives (3) | <u>9</u> |
| Electives (2) | <u>6</u> | | 12 |
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A one-hour elective may be taken in any semester in place of the three-hour elective shown in the proposed sequence to make the total hours equal exactly 120.