



2010-2011 PETITION/PROGRAM SHEET
Degree: Bachelor of Arts
Major: Psychology
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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 psychological science research. 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 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

Signature of Department Head

Date

Signature of Registrar

Date

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 in no fewer than two semesters).
- 40 upper division credits (A minimum of 15 taken at the 300-400 course levels 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
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- When filling out the program sheet a course can be used only once.
- A student must follow the MSC graduation requirements either from 1) the program sheet for the major in effect at the time the student officially declares a major; or 2) a program sheet for the major approved for a year subsequent to the year during which the student officially declares the major and is approved for the student by the department head. Because a program may have requirements specific to the degree, the student should check with the faculty advisor for additional criteria. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of, and follow, all requirements for the degree being pursued. Any exceptions or substitutions must be approved by the student's faculty advisor and 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	_____	_____	_____

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	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Humanities (3 semester hours)

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Social and Behavioral Sciences (6 semester hours)

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

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History (3 semester hours)

HIST	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Fine Arts (3 semester hours)

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OTHER LOWER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS (6 semester hours)

Kinesiology (3 semester hours)

KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1	_____	_____	_____
KINA 1	_____	1	_____	_____	_____
KINA 1	_____	1	_____	_____	_____

Applied Studies (3 semester hours)

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PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (59 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.

FOUNDATION COURSES (6 semester hours) Two **consecutive** classes in the **same** foreign language.

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Psychology Core (20 semester hours)

PSYC 150	General Psychology	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 201	Orientation to the Psychology Major	3	_____	_____	_____
STAT 215	Statistics for the Social & Behavioral Sciences	4	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 216	Research Methods in Psychology	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 216L	Research Methods in Psychology Lab	1	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 416	Memory & Cognition	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 414	History of Psychology.	3	_____	_____	_____

Psychology Electives (Total Psychology Electives must equal 33 Semester Hours)

At least one course from each of the following three Areas:

Developmental Area

PSYC 310	Child Psychology	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 330	Psychology of Adolescence & Emerging Adulthood	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 350	Psychology of Adulthood	3	_____	_____	_____

Personality/Social Area

PSYC 320	Social Psychology	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 370	Cross-Cultural Psychology	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 401	Sport Psychology	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 420	Personality	3	_____	_____	_____

Neuropsychology Area

PSYC 410	Drugs & Human Behavior	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 422	Sensation & Perception	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 430	Biopsychology	3	_____	_____	_____

Psychology electives must include at least 12 semester hours from the following:

PSYC 314	Psychology of Learning	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 325	Environmental Psychology	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 335	Psychology of Women	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 340	Abnormal Psychology	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 380	Comparative Psychology	3	_____	_____	_____

Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trms	Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trms
PSYC 395/495	Independent Study (1-3)	-							
PSYC 396/496	Topics (1-3)	-							
PSYC 400	Psychological Testing	3							
PSYC 412	Industrial and Organizational Psychology	3							
PSYC 425	Forensic Psychology	3							
SOCI 497	Structured Research (1-6)	-							
<u>Electives</u> (All college level courses appearing on your final transcript, not listed above that will bring your total semester hours to 120 hours.) (24 semester hours)									

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 the assigned advisor and check the 2 year course matrix on the Mesa State website for course availability.

FRESHMAN YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
ENGL 111 English Composition	3	ENGL 112 English Composition	3
General Education Humanities	3	General Education Social/Behavioral Sciences	3
General Education Applied Studies	3	General Education Mathematics	3
General Education Natural Science with Lab	4	General Education History	3
PSYC 150 General Psychology	3	General Education Fine Arts	3
	<u>16</u>	KINE 100 Health and Wellness	<u>1</u>
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SOPHOMORE YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
Foreign Language	3	General Education Natural Science	3
PSYC 201 Orientation to the Psychology Major	3	Foreign Language	3
General Education – Social/Behavioral Science	3	Elective	3
STAT 215 Statistics for the Social & Behavioral Sciences	4	PSYC 216/216L Research	4
KINA Activity	<u>1</u>	Methods in Psychology and Lab	4
	14	KINA Activity	<u>1</u>
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JUNIOR YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
PSYC 416 Memory & Cognition	3	Upper Division PSYC Electives (3)	9
Upper Division PSYC Electives (3)	9	Electives (2)	<u>6</u>
Elective	<u>3</u>		15
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SENIOR YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
Upper Division PSYC Electives (3)	9	PSYC 414 History of Psychology	3
Electives (2)	<u>6</u>	Upper Division PSYC Electives (2)	6
	15	Electives (2)	<u>6</u>
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A one- or two-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.