

LOYOLA PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR CHECKLIST

2020-2021

A total of 12 psychology courses plus two ancillary quantitative courses are required. Psychology honors requires 13 courses including 369/370. Six psychology courses can be fulfilled with courses transferred into Loyola.

Students must take 101, 304, 306, 2 courses from Group A, 2 courses from Group B, 1 advanced laboratory course, and 1 capstone course as part of the 12-course major. The remaining courses may be any psychology course except 100.

___	1. General Psychology (101)
___	2. Statistics (304 – Prerequisite 101)
___	3. Research Methods (306 – Prerequisite 304)
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Specific Requirements	
___	Group A
___	Group A
___	Group B
___	Group B
___	Advanced Lab Courses
___	369 (Required for Honors)
Capstone Courses (complete at least one)	
___	390
___	397
___	370 (Required for Honors)
___	Second Advanced Lab Course
Ancillary Quantitative Requirement	
MATH 108, 117, 118, 131, 132, 161, 162	
COMP 125, 150, 170, 180	
STAT 103	
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Complete Course Offerings and Course Descriptions
<https://luc.edu/psychology/undergraduate/courseofferings/>

Psychology Courses

Prerequisites

Lectures – Group A

NEUR 101	Intro to Neuroscience (formerly PSYC/BIOL 202)	
240	Psychology and Biology of Perception	101
250	Cognitive Psychology	101
251	Learning and Memory	101
276	Philosophy of Mind (also PHIL 276)	PHIL 130
279	Judgment and Decision Making	
307	Psychology of Language	101
382	Behavioral and Cognitive Neuroscience	NEUR 101

Lectures – Group B

273	Developmental Psychology	101
275	Social Psychology	
331	Psychopathology	101
332	Affective Neuroscience	101 & NEUR 101
350	Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience	101 & NEUR 101

Advanced Lab Courses – Group A

311	Lab in Psychobiology	306 & NEUR 101
312	Lab in Cognitive Neuroscience	306 & 382
314	Lab in Exp Psychology: Cognition	306 & (250 or 382)
316	Lab in Sensation & Perception	306 & (NEUR 101 or 240)
388	Neurosci Lab I (NEUR 301)	NEUR 101 & BIOL 251

Advanced Lab Courses – Group B

315	Lab: Tests & Measurements	306
318	Lab in Developmental Psych	306 & 273
321	Lab in Social Psychology	306 & 275
327	Lab in Body Image	306

Capstone Courses

390	Internship in Psychology	304 & Permission
397	Independent Research	306 & Permission
369/370	Honors Readings & Research	306 & Permission

Elective Courses

235	Psychology of Human Sexuality	101
237	Cross-Cultural Psychology	101
238	Gender & Sex Diff & Similar	101
239	Bias and Inclusivity	
274	Lifespan Development	101
280	Psychology of Judgment and Decision Making	
340	Psychology of Women	101
346	Psychopathology of Childhood	273
347	Infancy and Early Childhood	273
348	Psychology of Adolescence	273
349	Maturity and Aging	273
352	Neuropsychology	101 & NEUR 101
355	Neuroethics (also PHIL 355)	2 PHIL Classes
360	Understanding Prejudice	101
362	Industrial/Organizational Psychology	101
368	Counseling I	101
371	Psychology of Political Behavior	
372	Psychology & Law	101
373	Health Psychology	101
374	Community Psychology	
375	Psych of Addiction	101
376	Psychology of Religion	
377	Psychology of Music	101
378	Drugs & Behavior	101 & NEUR 101
387	Seminar in Behav and Cog Neurosci	NRCB Major & 382
399	Special Studies in Psychology	Permission

Advising for Psychology Majors

To receive a Psychology Faculty Advisor [please fill out this form](#). It is your responsibility to contact your advisor. Before meeting with your Advisor please take time to review the [Psychology Career Finder](#) found on the [Psychology Department website](#). More information on student advising at Loyola may be found by visiting the [Advising Webpage](#) found under the Undergraduate Tab on the department website.

Recommended sequence of psychology courses

Students should take General Psychology (101) their first year. Students should then begin to take Group A and Group B Lecture courses. It is recommended that students complete at least one of their Ancillary Quantitative Courses prior to beginning the 304-306 sequence. Note that PSYC 304 (Statistics) is a prerequisite for 306 (Research Methods). No other statistics course (including STAT 103) or a statistics course from another Loyola department can serve as a prerequisite for 306 if you are a Psychology Major. Students may *not* take 304 and 306 at the same time. Electives may be any 200 or 300 level psychology courses or NEUR 101.

Recommended sequence of math courses

Students should discuss the Ancillary Quantitative Requirement with their Psychology Faculty advisor as early as possible after declaring the major. It is expected that students will have completed at least one, and preferably both courses *before* beginning the 304-306 sequence. Thus, students should plan to take these courses during their first two years. Assuming a strong background in math, a computer science course is strongly recommended to prepare students for future academic and non-academic careers.

Co-Majoring

Psychology majors are to abide by [Academic Council's double dipping policy](#) which instructs that 21 credit hours must be unique to a major (seven 3 credit hour courses). There are two notable exceptions for the Psychology Department:

1. Neuroscience Majors (either Cell/Molecular or Cognitive/Behavioral track) or Minors may count any number of PSYC classes allowed by the Neuroscience Major or Minor towards both their Psychology Major and Neuroscience Major/Minor.
2. Social Work Majors may count PSYC 101 and 304 and any other three PSYC classes approved by the School of Social Work towards both the Psychology and Social Work Majors.

Core Course Exemptions for Psychology Majors

Psychology majors are exempt from the “Societal and Cultural Knowledge” and “Quantitative Literacy” areas of the core.

Transferring Courses

Six courses of the major can be fulfilled with courses transferred into Loyola. Please consult with your CAS Advisor to ensure that you have received transfer credit for courses taken at other universities.

Honors in Psychology

Students able to maintain a cumulative 3.5 GPA and interested in psychology independent research, should discuss the possibility of participating in the Honors in Psychology program with their Psychology Faculty Advisor or ideally their psychology research mentor. For more information on the program please visit the [Honors in Psychology Webpage](#) under the Undergraduate Tab on the department website. Questions about the program should be addressed to the program director, Dr. Jeff Huntsinger (jhuntsinger@luc.edu).

Independent Study Opportunities

Loyola's psychology department offers countless opportunities for undergraduates to participate in research under the supervision of faculty members—an experience that is highly valued by employers and graduate schools. More information on Research in the department can be found under the Research Tab of the Psychology Department Website. Students can earn course credit for this research experience through independent studies and research courses, [PSYC 397](#) (Independent Research) and [PSYC 399](#) (Special Studies in Psychology). Qualified students may also plan and conduct psychological research by enrolling in the two-course honors sequence ([PSYC 369 and 370](#)). PSYC 397 and PSYC 370 count towards the Loyola's engaged learning requirement, while PSYC 399 does not. More information on Independent Study courses in Psychology are available on the [Independent Research webpage](#) under the Undergraduate Tab on the department website or by clicking the hyperlinks for the individual courses above.

Internship in Psychology

PSYC 390 is an intensive, work/academic experience that combines 100 hours (minimum) of supervised work at a psychology-related job site, arranged by the student prior to the start of the semester. PSYC 390 class meetings include class discussions and activities, reading and writing assignments, and an independent project. This is a unique and time-intensive opportunity that allows students to learn how psychology is applied in real-world settings. The course is open to psychology juniors and seniors. Students interested in the program should learn more by visiting the [Internship in Psychology Webpage](#) found under the Undergraduate Tab on the department website. Questions about the program should be addressed to the internship coordinator (psyc-internship@luc.edu). *Admission to the internship course is by application only. Applications are due midway through the SEMESTER BEFORE the internship is to be taken.*

Answers to additional questions about the major may be found on the [Department Website](#) or by visiting the [Frequently Asked Questions Webpage](#) under the [Undergraduate Tab](#).