



UNIVERSITY OF
ILLINOIS
SPRINGFIELD



PSYCHOLOGY

The scientific study of the human mind and human behavior is a complex task, reflected by the fact that the American Psychological Association has more than 50 divisions, each representing an area of expertise.

Psychology majors choose their own area of interest and apply their specialized knowledge to a wide range of endeavors including research, mental health care, teaching, business, and government. What they share is a foundation of psychological understanding and the desire to work in a profession that many believe will ultimately have the greatest impact on the future of humankind.

Bachelor's Degree

- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)
 - Clinical/Counseling Psychology
 - Developmental Psychology
 - Educational Psychology
 - Experimental Psychology
 - Individualized
- *Online option available*
- Minor

Career Paths

- Behavior Technicians
- Business Managers
- Case Managers
- Child Welfare Advocates
- Clinical Psychologists
- Counselors
- Educators
- Government or Nonprofit Administrators
- Grant Coordinators
- Health & Human Services Administrators
- Probation Officers
- Researchers

Distinction

- Psychology majors have multiple opportunities to work directly with department faculty on research or conduct their own research projects and present their work at local and national conferences.
- Psychology majors receive individualized attention and guidance in helping plan for their future careers.
- Psychology majors can choose an area of concentration to help tailor their educational path.

Bachelor's Degree

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Concentrations. The Psychology curriculum requires all majors to take two core courses and then choose a concentration that matches their interest and career goals: Clinical/Counseling Psychology; Developmental Psychology; Educational Psychology; Experimental Psychology; or an Individualized Concentration.

Internships. Through the Internships and Prior Learning Services program, our majors have the opportunity to work with researchers, counselors, or case managers at area facilities such as SIU School of Medicine, Sojourn Shelter and Services for Domestic Violence Intervention, St. John's Hospital, social service agencies, probation offices, and area correctional centers.

Access. Students in Psychology have access to state-of-the-art instructional technologies including several psychology laboratories and clinical observation suites for audio and videotaping of dyadic or group activities.

Online Option. Students holding an associate degree or who have earned at least 60 credit hours can apply to complete the degree entirely online. Courses will have the same rigor and be taught by the same professors that teach in the classroom. There are no "online" degrees here, only U of I degrees.



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Graduate Programs:
Masters of Social Work, UIUC
Graduate Certificate in Alcoholism
& Substance Abuse, UIS



B.A. IN PSYCHOLOGY

Complete university requirements – a minimum of 10 credit hours of Engaged Citizenship Common Experience (ECCE) courses.
Complete PSY 201 Principles of Psychology
Complete PSY 301 Orientation & Assessment
Complete PSY 302 Research Methods in Psychology (4 credit hrs.)
Complete Concentration & Psychology Electives (28 credit hrs.)
Complete Minor or General Elective Courses (if needed)
Complete PSY 471 Senior Seminar (4 credit hrs.)

Sample of courses:

Abnormal Psychology
Behavior Modification: Principles and Techniques
Exceptional Child
Family Psychology
Introduction to Biopsychology
Introduction to Clinical Psychology
Life-span Developmental Psychology
Multicultural Counseling
Psychology of Learning and Memory
Psychology of Motivation
Psychology of Music
Sensation and Perception
Social Psychology
Sport Psychology
Working with Victims of Sexual Assault/Abuse

For a complete list of courses and degree requirements, see the UIS catalog at www.uis.edu/uiscatalog/

Psychology minor available, 16 credit hours of upper-division psychology courses.

ACADEMIC ORGANIZATIONS

Psychology Club is open to all students at UIS. The mission of the club is to advance students' professional development through research, fundraising, and volunteering with others on campus and in the community.

Psi Chi is an international honor society in psychology that formally recognizes students for their high academic performance at UIS.

Students in both groups work together to provide academic recognition of its membership, and to offer a climate that stimulates professional growth through programs and activities.

IMPORTANT! Information effective Fall 2018. Subject to change without notice. The information does not constitute a contract between the student and UIS. See www.uis.edu/uiscatalog/ for current program requirements.

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