

B.A.A.S. PSYCHOLOGY

Overview

The B.A.A.S. Psychology prepares students who have earned technical, vocational, or military education and training to advance in their existing career paths and to pursue graduate study in psychology and related fields by providing credit for nontraditional educational experiences and foundational knowledge and skills through quality, rigorous, and innovative coursework in support of the department, college, and university missions.

Program Learning Outcomes:

- Demonstrate knowledge of fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories pertinent to the field of psychology.
- Apply course material to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions, both in coursework and in real-life situations.
- Demonstrate skill in expressing oneself in oral presentations and in writing.
- Analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view.
- Demonstrate specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in psychology and related fields.

Program Requirements

The program allows students to apply up to 42 semester credit hours of related technical, vocational, or military education and training related to the field of psychology as the foundation of their occupational specialization in the degree program. To earn the degree, a minimum of 12 semester credit hours (technical/vocational/military courses) in an approved occupational specialization area (OSA) is required. Approval of an occupational specialization area will be determined by department chair. Credits or the occupational specialization may come from a variety of sources including conferred AAS degrees or their CC equivalents, military evaluated credit based on ACE recommendations, technical/vocational credit earned at an accredited college that has not resulted in a conferred degree/certificate, or work-related training that generated verifiable certificates.

Bachelor of Applied Arts and Science - Psychology Program Requirements

Refer to the General Education Core Requirements (<https://catalog.tamuct.edu/undergraduate-information/general-education-core-requirements/>) page for more information on the CORE REQ coursework. The Field of Study (FOS) courses are listed in the footnotes (if applicable). At least 120 credit hours are required for the degree.

*Below is a suggested course sequence plan of the degree's required courses. Please see an advisor to create an individual plan for graduation.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
First Year		
Fall		
	Occupational/Technical Specialization ^{1,2}	3
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	Occupational/Technical Specialization ^{1,2}	3
	Occupational/Technical Specialization ^{1,2}	3
	Occupational/Technical Specialization or Any level elective ¹	3

Spring		
	Occupational/Technical Specialization or Any level elective ¹	3
	Occupational/Technical Specialization or Any level elective ¹	3
	Occupational/Technical Specialization or Any level elective ¹	3
	Occupational/Technical Specialization or Any level elective ¹	3
Second Year		
Fall		
	Occupational/Technical Specialization or Any level elective ¹	3
	Occupational/Technical Specialization or Any level elective ¹	3
	Occupational/Technical Specialization or Any level elective ¹	3
ENGL 1301	Composition I (or Equivalent Composition Course (CORE REQ 010)) ³	3
or ENGL 2311	Technical & Business Writing	
Spring		
	CORE REQ Language, Philosophy and Culture (040)	3
PSYC 2301	General Psychology (CORE REQ 080)	3
MATH 1314	College Algebra (CORE REQ 020)	3
or MATH 1342	Elementary Statistical Methods	
or PSYC 2317	Statistical Methods in Psychology	
BIOL 2401	Anatomy and Physiology I ((CORE REQ 030))	4
or BIOL 1406	Biology for Science Majors I (Lecture + Lab)	
or BIOL 1408	Biology for Non-Science Majors I (Lecture + Lab)	
	CORE REQ Government/Political Science (070)	3
Third Year		
Fall		
ENGL 1302	Composition II (or Equivalent Course (CORE REQ 010)) ³	3
or ENGL 2311	Technical & Business Writing	
BIOL 2402	Anatomy and Physiology II ((CORE REQ 030))	4
or BIOL 1407	Biology for Science Majors II (Lecture + Lab)	
or BIOL 1409	Biology for Non-Science Majors II (Lecture + Lab)	
	CORE REQ American History (060)	3
	CORE REQ Creative Arts (050)	3
Spring		
	CORE REQ American History (060)	3
	CORE REQ Government/Political Science (060)	3
	CORE REQ Component Area Option (090) ¹	3

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PSYC 3100	Psychology Major Seminar	1
PSYC 3409	Writing in Psychology	4
Fourth Year		
Fall		
PSYC 3430	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences	4
PSYC 3312	Biological Foundations of Behavior	3
PSYC 3307 or PSYC 2314	Human Lifespan Lifespan Growth & Development	3
PSYC 4332	Psychopharmacology	3
Upper- Level PSYC elective		3
Spring		
PSYC 4435	Principle Research for Behavioral Sciences	4
PSYC 4320	History of Psychology	3
PSYC 4305	Social Psychology	3
PSYC 3310	Introduction to Psychological Disorders	3
Upper- Level PSYC elective		3
Total Credit Hours		120

¹ Lower Level Electives, Any Level Electives, Component Area Options, or Degree Requirements (DEG REQ) may consist of the FOS courses: PSYC 2301, PYSC 2314, PSYC 2317, PSYC 2319, PSYC 2320, PSYC 2330.

² A minimum of 12 semester credit hours (technical/vocational/military courses) in an occupational specialization area (OSA) is required to qualify for the program.

³ Any course listed as "approved for the Texas Core Curriculum" 010 component will meet this core requirement; however for success in the program, completion of any two ENGL 1301/1302/2311 are required as pre-requisites for PSYC 3409.