BA Psychology Major

Baruch offers a 25 credit BA major in Psychology. This includes three required courses, four foundation courses, a broad array of electives and a capstone course.

ALL PRE-REQUISITES MUST BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO TAKING THE DESIRED COURSE.

Students must meet with a faculty member in the Psychology Department to discuss the selection of suitable courses, given the student’s background in the discipline and academic and career interests.

Base Courses 6 cr
No credit toward the major in Psychology

PSY 1001 – General Psychology
STA 2100 – Statistics for Social Science (Pre-req: MTH 1030)

~ Psychology majors cannot take STA 2100 on a pass/fail basis.
~ BBA students who took STA 2000 to fulfill core requirements will be given permission to use STA 2000 in lieu of STA 2100 once they change their degree objective to a BA.

I. PSYCHOLOGY CORE

A. Required Course 4 cr
PSY 3001 – Research Methods in Psychology (Pre-req: PSY 1001 and STA 2100)

B. Foundation electives within Psychology Core 12 cr

You must choose at least choose four (4) of the following:

PSY 3055 – Abnormal Psychology
PSY 3056 – Social Psychology
PSY 3059 – Developmental Psychology: Childhood and Adolescence*
PSY 3060 – Developmental Psychology: Adulthood
PSY 3064 – Personality and Individual Differences
PSY 3067 – Psychology of Motivation and Learning
PSY 3081 – Cognitive Psychology
PSY 3082 – Mind, Brain and Behavior

* Students can take either PSY 3059, or PSY 3060, but both classes will not count toward the foundation requirement. If both are taken, one will count as a foundation course and the other as an elective.
II. ADDITIONAL ELECTIVE COURSES 6 cr

Two courses of the student’s choosing.

PSY 3181 – Industrial and Organizational Psychology (Strongly recommended; 3181 is a pre-req. for most capstones)
PSY 3030 – Thought and Reality (Pre- req: Any PHI course; Cross-listed with PHI 3030)
PSY 3035 – Philosophy of Psychology (Pre- req: Any PHI course; Cross-listed with PHI 3101)
PSY 3036 – Psychology and Culture
PSY 3040 – Special Topics in Psychology
PSY 3054 – Psychology of Sleep
PSY 3057 – Psychology and Religion
PSY 3058 – Small Group Processes
PSY 3062 – Psychology of Stress Management
PSY 3063 – Health Psychology
PSY 3069 – Psychology and the Law
PSY 3071 – Psychology of Gender
PSY 3083 – Psychology of Learning
PSY 3101 – Political Psychology (Cross-listed with POL 3101)
PSY 3185 – Environmental Psychology
PSY 3288 – Psychology of Advertising
PSY 3730 – Literature and Psychology (Cross-listed with ENG 3730. Pre-req: ENG 2800 or 2850)
PSY 4035 – Practicum in Community Psychological Services (Pre-req: 6 credits in PSY + 1001; see sign-up sheet for interest/permission during enrollment period)
PSY 5030 – Research Practicum in Psychology (Pre-req: 3 credits in PSY + 1001; faculty permission)

III. CAPSTONE COURSES 3 cr

One course of the student’s choosing. Check pre-requisites before making a selection.

PSY 4010 – Diversity in the Workplace (Pre-req: PSY 3181 or 3056)
PSY 4012 – Evolution of Modern Psychology (Pre-req: 6 credits in 3000 level PSY courses)
PSY 4013 – Advanced Personnel Psychology (Pre-req: PSY 3181)
PSY 4039 – Psychopathology of Childhood (Pre-req: PSY 3055 or 3059)
PSY 4051 – Psychology of the Family (Pre-req: 3 credits in PSY and ENG 2100)
PSY 4080 – Psychology of Sensation and Perception* (Pre-req: see below)
PSY 4181 – Advanced Organizational Psychology (Pre-req: PSY 3181)
PSY 4182 – Occupational Health Psychology (Pre-req: PSY 3181)
PSY 4183 – Psychology of Career Development and Planning (Pre-req: PSY 3181)
PSY 4184 – Leadership and Managerial Development (Pre-req: PSY 3181)
PSY 4185 – Psychology of Training and Development (Pre-req: PSY 3181)
PSY 4900 – Psychological Approaches to Contemporary Problems (Pre-req: 6 credits in PSY)
PSY 5000 – Independent Study (3 credit only) (Pre-req: Written proposal; requires Sponsor/Chair/Dean’s approval of application to be submitted by 9/15, 2/15, 6/1, and 7/1 for Fall, Spring, Summer I and II, respectively)
PSY 5050 – Advanced Research Methods (focused on I/O, Clinical or Cognitive Neuroscience depending on semester) (Pre- req: PSY 3001 + Foundation course for topic)
PSY 6001H/6002H – Honors Thesis (see advisor)

*Students who have taken PSY 3080 may not enroll in PSY 4080