

Bachelor of Humanities and Arts (BHA)

Dietrich College (DC) Concentration in Psychology

81 units (minimum)

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Psychology is a science that embraces both biological and social sciences. It is a science concerned with establishing principles and laws regarding the ways in which people think, feel, and behave through the scientific study of human behavior. Students with a concentration in Psychology are expected not only to learn about findings already established by psychologists, but also to become proficient in the investigation and analysis of behavior. This includes observing behavior, formulating hypotheses, designing experiments to test these hypotheses, running experiments, performing statistical analyses and writing reports.

BHA students take at least 9 courses in their DC concentration, for a minimum of 81 units. A completed DC Concentration Declaration Sheet must be approved by the concentration advisor and submitted to the BXA office by spring mid-semester break of the student's sophomore year. BHA students who are admitted through internal transfer must have chosen a DC concentration at the time of their application, which serves as declaration.

Breadth Courses

(4 courses, 36 units)

To gain familiarity with the breadth of the field of Psychology, students take 85-102 Introduction to Psychology and three survey courses.

Required Intro Course:

85-102 Introduction to Psychology 9

Survey Courses:

85-104 Psychopathology 9
85-211 Cognitive Psychology 9
or 85-213 Human Information Processing and Artificial Intelligence
85-219 Foundations of Brain and Behavior 9
85-221 Principles of Child Development 9
85-241 Social Psychology 9
85-251 Personality 9

Research Methods and Statistics

(2 courses, 18 units)

Students complete one course in Research Methods (9 units). The corresponding survey course is a prerequisite for this course.

85-310 Research Methods in Cognitive Psychology 9
85-314 Cognitive Neuroscience Research Methods 9
85-320 Research Methods in Developmental Psychology 9
85-330 Analytic Research Methods 9
85-340 Research Methods in Social Psychology 9

The following Statistics course is a prerequisite for all the Research Methods courses. This Statistics course counts toward the Psychology concentration.

36-309 Experimental Design for Behavioral and Social Sciences (Fall) 9
or 85-309 Statistical Concepts and Methods for Behavioral and Social Science

Advanced Courses

(3 courses, 27 units)

Complete any three advanced courses or seminars in Psychology numbered higher than 85-349 (excepting 85-480, 85-482, 85-484, 85-506, 85-507, 85-508).