

Psychology - B.S.

The Psychology bachelor's degree program offers students the opportunity to learn about and understand the complex relationships between human behavior and the world in which we live. This program also emphasizes awareness, understanding and appreciation for diversity, culture and global perspectives. This degree program incorporates career-related knowledge, skills and abilities, as well as opportunities for experiential learning, that prepare graduates for lifelong learning and professional success.

Upon completion of the program, graduates are expected to:

- Apply key concepts, theories and research findings in the discipline of psychology to understand, explain and evaluate human behavior.
- Use creative and critical thinking to evaluate, interpret, design and conduct basic psychological research in accordance with ethical principles of the field.
- Integrate ethical practice, sociocultural factors and diversity considerations when addressing the needs of individuals in complex multicultural environments.
- Demonstrate written, oral and interpersonal communication skills required of psychology professionals.
- Articulate a plan to establish a professional identity, and to pursue professional development in the field of psychology.

Upon completion of the Counseling specialization (offered at the Providence and Charlotte campuses), graduates are expected to:

- Demonstrate effective counseling skills/techniques within a supervised clinical setting and explain the roles and functions of human service agencies within the community.

Graduates of the program are expected to demonstrate knowledge of the ways in which psychological theories explain human behavior, professional and ethical practices, social and cultural diversity, and psychological research methods. Graduates are prepared to enter graduate school in a variety of psychology disciplines (e.g., counseling, clinical, industrial/organizational), or immediately enter the workforce in fields such as human resources, public affairs, business and the helping professions.

Psychology

A four-year program leading to the bachelor of science degree

Major Courses

PSYC1001	Introductory Psychology	3
PSYC1020	Introduction to Professional Issues and Ethics in Psychology	3
PSYC2002	Abnormal Psychology	3
PSYC2030	Developmental Psychology	3
PSYC3001	Social Psychology	3
PSYC3010	Personality	3
PSYC3040	Introduction to Neuropsychology and Psychopharmacology	3
PSYC4200	Cultural Psychology	3
RSCH2050	Workshop in Acquiring Social Research Skills	3
RSCH4050	Research Seminar in Psychology	3

Major Electives

Choose six of the following (No more than two SOC-designated courses): *

CJS2050	Criminology	3
CSLG2030	Counseling Theories and Techniques	3
PSYC2015	Human Sexuality	3
PSYC2020	Industrial/Organizational Psychology	3
PSYC2040	Psychological Issues of Substance Use Disorders and Compulsive Behaviors	3
PSYC2100	Health Psychology	3
PSYC3200	Cognitive Psychology	3
PSYC3350	Psychology of Motivation and Leadership in the Workplace	3
PSYC4150	Psychology of Conflict Resolution	3
SOC2035	Sociology of Aging	3
SOC2070	Social Issues in Contemporary America	3
SOC3060	Deviant Behavior	3

Applied/Experiential Learning

Choose 6 credits from the following: **

ASCI4799	College of Arts & Sciences Internship ^{1c}	6
DEE3999	Directed Experiential Education ^D	6

RSCH3830	Undergraduate Research Experience	3
Study Abroad		
A&S Core Experience		
Communications Foundation Courses 9		
ENG1020	Rhetoric & Composition I	3
ENG1021	Rhetoric & Composition II	3
ENG1030	Communication Skills	3
Integrative Learning 6		
Two ILS courses, one at the 2000 level, one at the 4000 level		
Arts and Humanities 6		
Two courses from different disciplines: ART, HIST, HUM, LIT, PHIL, or REL		
Mathematics 6		
MATH1002	A Survey of College Mathematics (or higher, based on student's placement)	3
MATH2001 or MATH2010	Statistics I Introduction to Biostatistics	3
Science 3		
Choose one of the following:		
SCI1015	Introduction to Life Science	3
SCI1050	Nutrition	3
SCI2031	Anatomy and Physiology	3
Social Sciences 6		
SOC1001	Sociology I	3
One course from ANTH, ECON, LEAD, PSCI or PSYC		
A&S Electives 6		
Two courses with an EASC attribute		
Free Electives[#]		
24 credits selected from 1000-4999 numbered offerings within the university 24		
Total Credits		120.0

* Students are responsible for meeting prerequisites.

** In lieu of an internship, directed experiential education, research course, or study abroad, students may use the Applied/Experiential Learning credits towards a minor.

^{1c}Typically, internships require a minimum of six credits. Students interested in a 9 or 12-credit internship can apply additional experiential learning and free elective credits, if available. Students are strongly encouraged to contact a faculty adviser before scheduling internship and free elective credits.

^D Directed Experiential Education (DEE) opportunities are based on project availability with community partners and student eligibility. For more information, visit Experiential Education & Career Services (EE&CS).

[#] In addition to classes, free elective credits may be applied to a number of options such as internship, study abroad, Directed Experiential Education courses and courses in a specialization or minor as relevant. For Accelerated Master's program students, up to three graduate-level courses may apply. Students are strongly encouraged to contact a faculty adviser before scheduling free elective credits.

NOTE: Students must pass MATH0010 Basic Mathematics or have equivalent placement scores to enroll in required math course(s).

Students who graduate with a bachelor's degree must leave Johnson & Wales University with effective writing skills to fulfill the graduation writing requirement. These writing skills are assessed in ENG1021 Rhetoric & Composition II. Students who have met the requirement of ENG1021 Rhetoric & Composition II or ENG1027 Honors Advanced Composition and Communications: Civic Discourse outside of Johnson & Wales University must fulfill the graduation writing requirement through successful completion of ENG0001 Writing Workshop.

Internships will be available but they will not be required. For online students who do not wish to register for an internship, 3000+ level college discipline-specific courses can be taken in place of the internship.

In collaboration with academic colleges across all JWU campuses, JWU Global Study Abroad programs offer a variety of international options for major, minor, arts and sciences, and elective credit at many affordable price points for students during the academic year, break periods, and summer. Faculty-led, exchange, affiliate, and direct-enroll programs range in duration from one week to a full semester or full year. Financial aid may be applied and scholarships are available. Visit the study abroad website for information, program descriptions and online applications. Where will you go?