



PSYCHOLOGY

The Mount's Psychology program provides excellent preparation for careers or graduate study in mental health, child development, research, human resources, education, and more. Students in our program develop strong critical thinking and analytical skills through training in statistics and research – skills that are highly valuable in today's workplace. Our seniors have won numerous regional and national awards from Psi Chi (International Honor Society in Psychology) for presenting their exceptional research at professional conferences, giving them a competitive advantage. Psychology is not just about therapy, and MSJ students investigate a variety of options through Careers coursework, Service Learning, and co-op placements. If you want to study why people behave the way they do while contributing to society in a meaningful way, Psychology at the Mount is for you!

\$1,000

JEAN & WILLARD MULFORD SCHOLARSHIP

Five \$1,000 scholarships available for current MSJ students majoring in Psychology. Freshman may apply during their first semester, and students can apply for them each year. To learn more, contact psychology@msj.edu.

98.9%

CAREER OUTCOMES RATE

98.9 percent of School of Art & Sciences graduates were successfully employed, enrolled in graduate studies, or volunteering within six months of graduation.

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE

Students can gain valuable experience with the Mount's extensive Service Learning, practicum, and cooperative education programs. Psychology co-op sites have included local hospitals, nonprofit organizations, and mental health agencies serving children and adults in the community.

FOCUS YOUR PSYCH DEGREE

You can complete our general psychology major or you can tailor your study via one of our advising tracks: Clinical/Counseling, Criminal/Forensic, Health, Business, School, or Sport Psychology.

FEATURED CONCENTRATION: CHILD LIFE SPECIALIST

This concentration prepares Psychology graduates to enter the field as certified Child Life Specialists. These professionals help kids, teens, and families handle the stress of illness, injury, and hospital stays. They use play, education, and emotional support to reduce fear and anxiety during healthcare experiences.

CAREERS IN PSYCHOLOGY

CHILD LIFE
SPECIALIST

CLINICAL
RESEARCH
COORDINATOR

FELONY
PROBATION
OFFICER

HUMAN
RESOURCES
MANAGER

MENTAL
HEALTH
THERAPIST

SCHOOL
PSYCHOLOGIST



SCAN TO FIND:

- Featured courses
- Program requirements and more!



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PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR - BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

FIRST YEAR-SEMESTER #1		FIRST YEAR- SEMESTER #2		UNIVERSITY CORE	
PSY 103 Intro to Psychology	3	PSY 208 ¹ Social Psychology	3	COMMON GOOD	
COM 100/ENG 101	3	BEH 105 Elements of Inquiry	3	CORE 115 Common Ground	Code COR
CORE 115 Common Ground	3	COM 100/ ENG 101	3	Justice & the Common Good	Code JCG
Core requirement	3	SOC 103 Our Social World	3	Ethics	Code CE
Core requirement	3	Core requirement	3	Experiential Learning	Code EXP
				Core Capstone	Code CCP
SECOND YEAR-SEMESTER #1		SECOND YEAR-SEMESTER #2		HUMANITIES	
Development requirement/Elective	3	Development requirement/Elective	3	Speech (COM 100)	Code C
Anatomy & Phys requirement	4	PSY 360 Biological Psychology	4	Writing (ENG 101)	Code C
PSY 340 ¹ Abnormal Psychology	3	PSY elective	3	Literature (ENG)	Code CL
Core requirement	3	MTH 174 Statistics	3	Art or Music	Code CAM
Core requirement	3	Ethics requirement	3	History	Code CH
		CED 220 ³ Found. of Profession	1	Religious Studies	Code CR
				Philosophy	Code CP
THIRD YEAR-SEMESTER #1		THIRD YEAR-SEMESTER #2		SCIENCES	
BEH 374 ¹ Applied Statistical Methods for the Behavioral Sciences	3	PSY 310 ¹ Cognition & Memory	3	Biology/Chemistry/Physics + Lab	Code CN
PSY elective	3	BEH 375 ¹ Research Methods & Design	3	Mathematics	Code CMA
Core requirement	3	PSY elective	3	SOC 103 Our Social World	Code CS
Elective	3	PSY 396 ² Cooperative Educ. or Elective	3	Choose one discipline:	
Elective	3	Elective	3	ECO 212 Microeconomics	Code CEP
				PSY 103 Psychology	Code CEP
FOURTH YEAR-SEMESTER #1		FOURTH YEAR-SEMESTER #2		NOTES	
PSY 400 ¹ Senior Thesis	3	Core Capstone	3	¹ These courses are offered only during the semester in which they appear on this schedule	
PSY Elective	3	PSY Elective	3	² The Experiential Learning requirement can be satisfied with Service Learning (in any semester) or Cooperative Education (PSY 396) courses. Talk with the Career & Experiential Education Center for possibilities.	
PSY 396 ² Cooperative Educ. or Elective	3	PSY 396 ² Cooperative Educ. or Elective	3	³ CED 220 is required only for students interested in cooperative education (PSY 396)	
JCG requirement	3	Elective	3	120 credit hours minimum needed to graduate	
Elective	3			**Curriculum Guide does not replace required advisement by a faculty member within the Psychology program+**	
<i>Development requirement options:</i> PSY 204 Lifespan Development or PSY 205 Child Development					
<i>Anatomy & Physiology requirement options:</i> BIO 131/131A Basic Anatomy & Physiology or BIO 197/197A Human Anatomy & Physiology for the Health Sciences I					

PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR, CHILD LIFE CONCENTRATION - BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

FIRST YEAR-SEMESTER #1		FIRST YEAR- SEMESTER #2		UNIVERSITY CORE	
PSY 103 Intro to Psychology	3	PSY 208 ¹ Social Psychology	3	COMMON GOOD	
COM 100/ENG 101	3	COM 100/ ENG 101	3	CORE 115 Common Ground	Code COR
CORE 115 Common Ground	3	BEH 105 Elements of Inquiry	3	Justice & the Common Good	Code JCG
CHL 240 Therapeutic Play	3	REL 215 Life Through Death	3	Ethics	Code CE
Core requirement	3	PSY 205 Child Development	3	Experiential Learning	Code EXP
				Core Capstone	Code CCP
SECOND YEAR-SEMESTER #1		SECOND YEAR-SEMESTER #2		HUMANITIES	
CHL 230 Intro to Child Life	3	PSY 360 Biological Psychology	4	Speech (COM 100)	Code C
BIO 131/131A Basic A&P / Lab or		PSY elective	3	Writing (ENG 101)	Code C
BIO 197/197A Human A&P I/Lab	4	SWK 323 HBSE II or		Literature (ENG)	Code CL
PSY 340 ¹ Abnormal Psychology	3	SOC 216 Soc of the Fam	3	Art or Music	Code CAM
BIO 130 Medical Terminology	2	Ethics requirement	3	History	Code CH
SOC 103 Our Social World	3	MTH 174 Statistics	3	Religious Studies	Code CR
CED 220 ³ Found of Profession	1			Philosophy	Code CP
THIRD YEAR-SEMESTER #1		THIRD YEAR-SEMESTER #2		SCIENCES	
BEH 374 Applied Statistical Methods for the Behavioral Sciences	4	BEH 375 Research Methods & Design	3	Biology/Chemistry/Physics + Lab	Code CN
PSY elective	3	PSY 310 ¹ Cognition & Memory	3	Mathematics	Code CMA
SWK 322 HBSE I	3	PSY elective	3	SOC 103 Our Social World	Code CS
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