**PROGRAM MODIFICATION**

**PROGRAM AREA**  **PSYCHOLOGY**

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Psychology is the study of the aspects of mind related to human nature, our relationships to each other, and our relationship to the world at large. While psychology is often scientific in its outlook, it also includes ways of knowing and understanding the world based on philosophy and the arts. In this sense psychology is one of the broadest of disciplines, encompassing a wide range of academic areas and endeavors.

Psychology recognizes the diverse cultural, economic, ethnic, historical, and political viewpoints that exist in a multicultural world. The discipline seeks to understand how these viewpoints interact with individual and group behavior in order to encourage a rich pluralism of human interaction.

The psychology program at CSUCI is unique in two aspects. The first is that students will have some exposure to all major areas of psychology through a required sequence of core courses. Included in these courses is a year-long upper division course in quantitative reasoning. This core-course curriculum borrows an ideology from the best undergraduate psychology programs, producing students with knowledge in all branches of psychology as well as methodological skills that can be widely applied within and outside of the discipline.
The second unique aspect of the CSUCI psychology program is its interdisciplinary course offerings. These interdisciplinary courses offer students a chance to experience the intersection of psychology with other disciplines. This closely follows how psychology is understood and practiced in the world at large.

CAREERS: Graduates of the CSUCI undergraduate psychology program will be prepared to work in a variety of settings. Typically, psychology graduates do well finding jobs. However, we recognize that nationally approximately 23% of undergraduate psychology majors go on to graduate school for masters, doctorates, or other professional degrees. Therefore, the psychology faculty at CSUCI is committed to helping students gain admittance into graduate or professional schools.

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### Requirements for the B.A. in Psychology (120 units)

**Lower Division Required Courses** (18 units):

Psychology majors must take each of these courses:

- PSY 100 Introduction to Psychology …………..3
- PSY 202 Statistics (same as BIO 202 and Math 202) ……….3
- PSY 211 Cognitive and Learning Psychology ………………..3
- PSY 213 Developmental Psychology ………………..3
- PSY 217 Theories of Personality ………………..3

Psychology majors must also take one of the following courses:

- PSY 212 or PSY 220 or BIOL 100 or BIOL 200 or BIOL 201 or ANTH 103 or ANTH 120

Students will need to obtain a grade of C or better to apply these courses to the psychology major. Students may substitute equivalent courses taken at other universities in each area by articulation agreement or by permission of the Psychology program. 9 units from these required lower division courses may be counted towards GE requirements.

**Upper Division Required Core Courses** (18 units):

Psychology majors will normally take these courses at CSUCI. Students may substitute equivalent courses taken at other universities in each area by articulation agreement or by permission of the Psychology program. All courses must be passed with a grade of C or better to apply towards the Psychology major.

**Upper Division Required Core Courses** (22 units)

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22 UNITS
PSY 300 Psychological Research and Statistical Methods with Lab I
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PSY 310 History and Systems of Psychology
PSY 312 Social Psychology
PSY 313 Clinical and Abnormal Psychology
PSY 314 Behavioral Neuroscience

Upper Division Psychology Electives (12 units)

Psychology majors must take 12 units of Upper Division Psychology Electives. These courses range from 330-499 (up to 6 units from interdisciplinary Psychology courses number 330-349 or 430-449 may be double-counted towards the upper division GE requirement). Not all courses will be taught in all years. Students must obtain a grade of C or better (or CR) in each of these courses to apply them to the psychology major. The current list of Upper Division Elective courses in Psychology is as follows:

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PSY 338 Psychology of Art and Artists
PSY 339 Psychology in Literature
PSY 340 History and Psychology of Nazi Germany
PSY 344 Psychology and Traditional Asian Thought
PSY 345 Individuals with Disabilities and Society
PSY 346 Psychology of Motivation
PSY 415 Assessment of Children
PSY 436 Psychology and History of Asian Warrior Cultures
PSY 441 Psychology of Space
PSY 442 Applied Multivariate Analyses
PSY 445 Adolescent Development
PSY 449 Human-Computer Interaction
PSY 450 Advances in Neural Science
PSY 457 Criminal Behavior
PSY 461 Advanced Topics in Child and Adolescent Development

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PSY 301 Psychological Research and Statistical Methods with Lab II, 3 units
PSY 310 History and Systems of Psychology, 3 units
PSY 312 Social Psychology, 3 units
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PSY 492 Psych Internship or Service Learning (1-3 units)
PSY 494 Independent Research in Psych (1-3 units)
PSY 497 Directed Study in Psychology (1-3 units)
PSY 499 Senior Capstone in Psychology (1-3 units)

REQUIRED SUPPORTING AND OTHER GE COURSES (72 units)
General Education (48 units)
Title 5, American Institution Requirements (6 units)
University electives (18 units)

MINOR IN PSYCHOLOGY (18 Units)
The minor in psychology gives students concentrated exposure to the philosophy, history, methods and theories related to the study of the mind and behavior. The minor in psychology is appropriate for students interested in understanding how human psychological perspectives can influence their major field of study and the world around them.

Lower-Division Requirements (9 units)
1. PSY100 Introduction to Psychology (3 units)
2. Two courses from the following list (6 units):
   - PSY210 Learning, Cognition & Development (3), or PSY211 Cognition & Learning (3)
   - PSY 212 Neurobiology and Cognitive Science (3)

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**Upper-Division Requirements (9) Units**

1. One course from the following list (3 units):

   - PSY310 History & Systems in Psychology (3)
   - PSY 312 Social Psychology (3)
   - PSY 313 Clinical and Abnormal Psychology (3)
   - PSY 314 Behavioral Neuroscience (3)

2. Six (6) units of coursework from any psychology courses at the 300 level or above (6 units).

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**MINOR IN DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY (Child & Adolescent Emphasis) (18 Units)**

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1. Each of the following courses (6 units):

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SUMMARY OF CHANGES
The changes in the program involve 1) eliminating the lower division biology requirement, 2) making Psy 314, Behavioral Neuroscience, a four unit course, 3) adding Psy 316, Sensation and Perception.

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JUSTIFICATION
This program modification is needed to improve the educational preparation of our students. The number of units for Psy 314, Behavioral Neuroscience, has increased from 3 to 4 to better integrate the lab and lecture components of this course and allow enough lecture time to cover the substantial amount of material in the course. A four unit course in this area is common: the comparable course at other universities, including CSUN and CSU Fresno, is a total of 4 units for the lecture and lab. Psy 316, Sensation and Perception, is being added to our program because it is one of the core areas of psychology that most major degree programs include and its omission was an oversight. Finally, we are eliminating the lower division course requirement in biological approaches as students will already be taking a course in this area as part of the General Education program. The number of psychology units required of students increased by only one unit to 49 units. Since students can double count 6 units of upper division GE as electives for the majors, our degree program can be done quite quickly. In doing our typical 4,5,and 6 year paths through the majors we find that students will have plenty of electives to do a minor or other type of focused study (eg, language or pre-med).

Beatrice M. de Oca 2-5-03
Proposer of Program Modification Date
Approvals

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Program Chair     Date

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