

Psychology Major Sample Schedule

This sample schedule is simply a suggestion for how a degree in psychology may be completed at Shepherd. Students should, to the degree possible, take the courses in the major (highlighted in red) in the order listed below. Courses in general studies and the minor may be taken in whatever order is convenient, subject to course prerequisites and availability.

Year	Semester	Course	Credits		
			Course	Semester	Total
1	Fall	1. PSYC 101 Intro. to Psychology	3	15	15
		2. ENGL 101 Written English	3		
		3. MATH 101 Fund. of Mathematics	3		
		4. BIOL 101 General Biological Science	4		
		5. MUSC 111 Introduction to Music	2		
1	Spring	1. PSYC 250 Statistics for Social Sciences	4	16	31
		2. PSYC 340 Lifespan Developmental Psychology	3		
		3. ENGL 103 Writing for the Social Sciences	3		
		4. BIOL 102 General Biological Science	4		
		5. ART 103 Introduction to Visual Arts	2		
2	Fall	1. PSYC 251 Research Methods in Psychology	3	18	49
		2. PSYC Group 2 Restricted Elective ¹	3		
		3. ENGL 208 or 209 Survey of World Literature	3		
		4. SPAN 101 Elementary Spanish I ²	3		
		5. HIST 101 History of Civilization ³	3		
		6. course in minor ⁴	3		
2	Spring	1. PSYC Group 2 Restricted Elective ¹	3	17	66
		2. ENGL 204 Survey of American Literature	3		
		3. HIST 102 History of Civilization ³	3		
		4. SPAN 102 Elementary Spanish II ²	3		
		5. GSPE 210 Fitness for Life	2		
		6. course in minor ⁴	3		
3	Fall	1. PSYC 370, 371, or 372	3	18	84
		2. PSYC free elective	3		
		3. SPAN 203 Intermediate Spanish I ²	3		
		4. COMM 202 Fundamentals of Speech	3		
		5. course in minor	3		
		6. course in minor	3		
3	Spring	1. PSYC free elective	3	18	102
		2. SPAN 204 Intermediate Spanish II ²	3		
		3. ECON 123 Contemporary Economics	3		
		4. course in minor	3		
		5. course in minor	3		
		6. free elective	3		
4	Fall	1. PSYC 484 Directed Readings	1	13	115
		2. PSYC 420 History and Systems of Psychology	3		
		3. PSCI 100 or 101 Political Science	3		
		4. course in minor	3		
		5. free elective	3		
4	Spring	1. PSYC 485 Senior Thesis	3	15	130
		2. PSYC 461 Biopsychology	3		
		3. SOCI 203 Introduction to Sociology	3		
		4. course in minor	3		
		5. free elective	3		

¹ Group 2 Restricted Electives : Students choose two courses from PSYC 309 Abnormal Psychology, PSYC 405 Social Psychology, and PSYC 410 Psychology of Personality.

² Psychology at Shepherd is a BA degree. All BA students must complete 12 hours of one foreign language. Spanish is shown in this sample, but students could take French instead.

³ Students choose two (2) history courses from HIST 100, 101, 102, and 103.

⁴ Students must complete a minor field of study in addition to the major. The number of hours required for a minor varies from 15 to 28. Because 18 of the 37 minors listed in the catalog require 24 hours, this sample is based on a minor of 24 hours.