Psychology Policies and Curriculum Information

I. Departmental Advising Policies

Students are responsible for being sure they have met all graduation requirements. Students must familiarize themselves with the University General Catalogue under which they registered as a Psychology major. It is the student’s responsibility to follow the appropriate guidelines and complete coursework identified on the appropriate the curriculum sheet. Proper course selection is the responsibility of the student.

**Students must have an updated curriculum sheet in hand prior to being advised.**

During Spring semester, students should be advised for both the Summer and Fall semesters.

II. General Information Concerning the B.A. Degree in Psychology

**Total Hours Required for Graduation**

120 hours must be earned for the Bachelor's degree in Psychology

Graduation Requirements:

In addition to completing a total 120 hours in the curriculum detailed below, a student must have an overall adjusted average of 2.0 in all Psychology courses. Your degree grade point average is calculated using the last grade earned. The final 30 hours must be earned at Southeastern. Also, half of the required Psychology hours and at least 25 percent of credit semester hours must be earned at Southeastern. Any exceptions must be approved by the Dean of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences.

**Computer Science or Foreign Language Requirement:**

A total of 6 hours, all 6 in either Computer Science or Foreign Language is required. CMPS 101 and CMPS 105 will NOT fulfill the CMPS requirement. If you choose Foreign Language, you must take the 6 hours in sequence.
English Requirement:

Twelve (12) hours in English are required. English 101, 102, 322 are required of all psychology majors. In addition, student must earn three (3) hours credit selected from English 230, English 231, or English 232.

History Requirement:

A total of six (6) hours in History is required. Students must earn credit for either History 101 and 102 OR History 201 and 202.

Mathematics Requirement:

A total of six (6) hours of Math is required. Students may take Math 105 first and then either Math 151 or 161 or take Math 151 or 161 first followed by Math 162, Math 163, or Math 165. The latter sequence is recommended for students intending to pursue graduate school. Credit cannot be given for both Math 151 and Math 161. Under no circumstance will credit for Math 241 (Elementary Statistics) satisfy the mathematics requirement in psychology.

Natural Science Requirement:

A total of 11 semester hours in the Natural Sciences is required. These credits are to include General Biology 151 and Biology Lab 152. In addition, students are required to take 4 credit hours of Physical Science that includes a 3 credit lecture course and an accompanying lab. Physics, Chemistry, and Space and Earth Sciences are Physical Sciences. PHSC 101 does NOT meet the physical science requirement for our majors. Lastly, students are required to complete a 3 credit lecture course that sequences from General Biology 151/152 or from the physical science course the student took. The following courses fulfill the 2nd science requirement: GBIO 153, ZOO 250, and MICL 223. Other courses that fulfill the 2nd science requirement depend on the physical science the student had taken previously: ESSC 102 (for those who took ESSC 101), ESSC 101 (for
those who took ESSC 102), CHEM 102 (for those who took CHEM 101), CHEM 122 (for those who took CHEM 121) and PHYS 192 (for those who took PHYS 191).

Social Science Elective Requirement:

Students are required to earn six (6) hours of Anthropology, Economics, Political Science, Sociology, Criminal Justice, or Geography. Students who are earning an I/O concentration 3 of these credits must be ECON.

Oral Proficiency Requirement:

Psychology majors must earn credit for Communication 211.

Art, Music, Theater Requirement:

Psychology majors are required to earn three (3) hours in Art 105 or Art 106, Music 151, or Theater 131.

Art, Music, Theater, English Elective Requirement:

Psychology majors are required to earn three (3) hours in English 230, 231, 232, 310, 316, or 429, or any Art, Music, or Theater course.

SE 101 Requirement:

Students are required to take two (2) hours of Southeastern 101. Transfer students with 30+ hours do not have to take SE 101 but must replace SE 101 with 2 hours of electives.

Electives:

Most psychology majors are required to take 15 hours of any college course and these may include additional Psychology courses. Those earning a concentration are required to take 9 hours of electives.

Psychology Requirement:
Psychology majors are required to take a total of 46 hours of Psychology and those earning a concentration are required to take more than 46 hours of psychology. See the curriculum sheet/catalogue for the particular required psychology and concentration courses. Refer to course descriptions for prerequisites. Core psychology requirements include a 4 semester sequence: Psyc 101, Psyc 220, Psyc 221/222, and Psyc 335/365. Note that Math 151/161 is a prerequisite for Psyc 221/222.

Honors Track

A Psychology Honors Track is available for students in the University Honors Program. The Psychology Honors Track provides an upper division research mentorship. See the catalog for a full description of the Honors Track.