The Department of Psychology offers Major and Minor programs in Psychology in a setting which allows students to excel academically, professionally, socially, and personally.

MAJOR PROGRAM: The undergraduate program provides student with academic and experiential exposure to the science of behavior, and also prepares them for employment or graduate school. To accommodate these efforts, the Department offers the B.A. and the B.S. degrees in Psychology. The B.A. program takes a general psychology perspective and includes 12 credits of a foreign (French or Spanish) language. The B.S. program affords students opportunities to select emphases in Clinical/Counseling, Community/Social, Educational/School, Industrial/Organization, or Research Psychology. The two programs provide opportunities to study a broad spectrum of issues concerning human nature and functioning from a distinctly multi-cultural perspective.

Requirements for a Major in Psychology:
Completion of all Core Courses and 4 Electives.

Requirements for B.A. in Psychology:
31 credits minimum, 6 core courses and 4 electives, each Drawn preferably from an elective cluster, plus 12 language credits.

Requirements for B.S. in Psychology:
31 credits minimum, 6 core courses and 4 electives drawn from the area of planned interest.

Students will consult with their program advisors before selecting any of the two programs, or areas of emphasis.

MINOR PROGRAM: The Department also offers minors designed to complement undergraduate degree programs in other disciplines. FAMU undergraduates from any department may elect to minor in Psychology. The program affords students opportunities to document their knowledge and insight in psychology while pursuing disciplinary majors in other departments.

Requirements for a Minor in Psychology:
18 credits minimum, PSY 2012 and SOP 3782 plus any other 4 courses.

The department sponsors the Annual Imhotep Student Research Conference, where students from HBCU present their empirical or theoretical papers. The conference is held in April of every year. Students may contact their Chair at (850) 599-3014, for research.

The Department of Psychology offers a Minor in Psychology. This is the second course in psychology that will cover univariate, bivariate, and multivariate inferential statistics. It will include both the theoretical basis and applications of statistical techniques in psychology. The specific parametric and non-parametric statistical procedures will be covered in this course.

In-depth analysis of theory, research, practice and thought characterizing the growth and development of black psychology. Emphasis is placed on the Afrocentric philosophical model in black psychology. (Lecture and discussion)

EXAMINING SOCIO-CULTURAL FACTORS

Theories of Learning (3)

EDP 3002 Educational Psychology (3) An introduction to the philosophical underpinnings and theoretical framework of psychology as it relates to the educational process. The implications of psychological theories, concepts, and principles, are discussed in relations to the teaching-learning process in the multicultural school system. (Lecture and discussion)

EXP Theories of Learning (3) Examination is made of the essential features of the major theories of learning. Emphasis is placed upon a critical analysis and practical applicability of these theories. (Lecture and discussion)

EXP 3704 Experimental Psychology (4) Experimental procedures in various areas of psychology. Emphasis on research design, execution, analysis, and interpretation of experiments of original nature. APA-style is emphasized. Laboratory research is included. (Lecture, discussion and demonstrations)

INP 3003 Industrial Psychology (3) Survey of the applications of psychological principles in development of personality theories related to the various schools of thought in personality psychology. Role of race and culture in personality psychology will be emphasized. (Lecture and discussion)

PPE 3003 Personality Psychology (3) Focuses on survey of basic concepts and principles in development of personality theories related to the various schools taught in personality psychology. Role of race and culture in personality psychology will be emphasized. (Lecture and discussion)

PSB 3003C Psychobiology (4) Theories, data, and techniques oriented toward investigation of the way in which processes in the central nervous system are related to behavioral states. (Lecture, discussion and demonstrations)

PSY 2012 Introduction to Psychology (3) Psychology as a science with emphasis on such behavioral phenomena as learning, motivation, sensation, perception, cognition, personality, personality adjustment, and assessment techniques. (Lecture and discussion)

PSY 3204 Psychological Statistics (3) Measures of central tendency, dispersion, standard scores, correlation, confidence intervals, and hypothesis testing. (Lecture and discussion)

PSY 3205 Advanced Psychological Statistics (3) This is the second course in statistics that will cover univariate, bivariate, and multivariate inferential statistics. It will include both the theoretical basis and applications of statistical techniques in psychology. The specific parametric and non-parametric statistical procedures will be covered in this course.

PSY 4303 Psychological Measurement (4) Techniques of standardization, administration, and evaluation of mental tests; representative examples of various types of measures of aptitude, achievement, interest, and personality. Emphasis on application to multicultural populations. (Lecture and discussion)

PSY 4604 History of Systems (3) Historical approach to presenting the development of psychology as a science, along with its defunct and contemporary systems. (Lecture and discussion)

SOP 3003 Social Psychology (3) Social factors in individual and group behavior with special emphasis on person perception, interpersonal attraction, aggression, attitudes, and the effects of socio-environmental factors on human behavior. (Lecture and discussion)

SOP 3724 Psychology of Prejudice and Racism (3) Focuses on an in-depth analysis of the psychological, social, and cultural factors in the antagonism, hostility, and violence that characterize relationships between different racial-ethnic groups in American society. (Lecture and discussion)

SOP 3782 Black Psychology (3) In-depth analysis of theory, research, practice and thought characterizing the growth and development of black psychology. Emphasis is placed on the Afrocentric philosophical model in black psychology. (Lecture and discussion)

SOP 4742 Psychology of Women (3) Psychological impact of changing sex roles in our society, with emphasis on the interlocking but contradictory, and from the white-dominated society at large.
Department of Psychology (Undergraduate)

The department of Psychology offers work leading to the baccalaureate and master’s degrees in psychology with a Black psychology a multicultural emphasis. At the undergraduate level, the department offers the bachelor of arts degree and the bachelor of science degree. While both degrees provide the student with a broad liberal arts background, the bachelor of arts requires the fulfilling of foreign language requirements, i.e., French or Spanish, for twelve (12) semester hours. Both degrees enable students to pursue advanced degrees. Major and Minor- a major in psychology consists of a minimum of thirty (30) semester hours, inclusive of the following CORE courses: PSY 2012, PSY 3204, EXP 3704C, SOP 3782, CLP 4142, and PSY 4604. A minor in psychology consists of a minimum of eighteen (18) semester hours, inclusive of PSY 2012 and SOP 3782.

Bachelor of Arts Curriculum Guide

Freshman Year
- BSC 1005C Biological Science ………………………………………..4
- ENC 1101, 1102 Freshman Communicative Skills, I, II ……………6
- MAC 1105 College Algebra ……………………………………………..3
- MGF 1106 Liberal Arts Mathematics ………………………………………..3
- FRE or SPN 1100, 1101 French or Spanish ………………………………………..8
- PSY 2012 Introduction to Psychology ………………………………………..3
- General Electives ……………………………………………………………..3

Sophomore Year
- FRE OR SPN 2200 French or Spanish ………………………………………..4
- PSY 3240 Psychological Statistics ……………………………………………..3
- AMH or 2091 Introduction to African American History or AFA 3104
- African American Experience ……………………………………………………3
- PSC 1121 Physical Science or AST 1002 Astronomy …………………….4
- Humanities ………………………………………………………………………..6
- Social Science Elective ……………………………………………………………3
- General Electives ………………………………………………………………..6

Junior Year
- EXP 3704C Experimental Psychology ………………………………………..4
- CLP 4142 Abnormal Psychology ……………………………………………..3
- Area (specialization) Electives ………………………………………………..12
- Minor ……………………………………………………………………………….9

Senior Year
- PSY 4604 History and Systems ………………………………………………3
- Area and General Electives ……………………………………………………..18
- Minor …………………………………………………………………………………9

Bachelor of Science Curriculum Guide

Freshman Year
- ENC 1101, 1102 Freshman Communicative Skills, I, II ……………6
- BSC 1005C Biological Science ………………………………………………..4
- MAC 1105 College Algebra ……………………………………………………..3
- MGF 1106 Liberal Arts Mathematics …………………………………………..3
- *Humanities ………………………………………………………………..6
- PSY 2012 Introduction to Psychology …………………………………………..3
- General Electives ………………………………………………………………..9

Sophomore Year
- PSC 1121 Physical Science or AST 1002 Astronomy …………………….4
- AMH 2091 Introduction to African American History or AFA 3104
- African American Experience …………………………………………………….3
- PSY 3204 Psychological Statistics ……………………………………………..3
- PHI 3101 Introduction to Logic ………………………………………………..3
- Area (specialization) Electives ………………………………………………….9
- Minor …………………………………………………………………………………6

Junior Year
- EXP 3704C Experimental Psychology ………………………………………..4
- CLP 4142 Abnormal Psychology ……………………………………………..3
- Area (specialization) Electives ………………………………………………..12
- Minor …………………………………………………………………………………9
- Area of General Electives ………………………………………………………18

Senior Year
- PSY 4604 History and Systems ………………………………………………3
- SOP 3782 Black Psychology ……………………………………………………..3
- Area of General Electives ………………………………………………………18
- Minor …………………………………………………………………………………6

*Another humanities area course may be substituted for HUM 2211 and 2230 with advisor approval.