



**Bachelor of Science  
Major: Psychology  
2021-2022 Sample 4-Year Plan**

**Total Degree Requirements: 120 credits**

**Student** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student ID#** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Advisor** \_\_\_\_\_ **Minimum GPA** 2.00 **Minor/Career Interest(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

Students are not limited to this plan; it is meant to be used as a guide for planning purposes in consultation with your advisor. The sample schedule is one possible path to completing your degree within four years. For official program requirements, please refer to the [Undergraduate Catalog](#).

**First Year**

**Fall**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
PSYC 101	General Psychology (SGR #3)		3		
ENGL 101	English Composition I (SGR #1)	p. Placement	3		
SGR #4	Humanities and Arts/Diversity	SGR #4 satisfied by coursework from 2 different disciplines or a foreign language sequence.	3-4		
SGR#5	Mathematics	p. Placement, MATH 103 suggested	3		
SGR#6	Natural Sciences		3-4		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			15-17		

**Spring**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
PSYC electives (Domains I-III)	The Field of Psychology	p. PSYC 101; complete three courses in each domain.	3		
AHSS 111	Introduction to Global Citizenship and Diversity		3		
SGR#2	Oral Communication		3		
SGR#4	Humanities and Arts/Diversity	SGR#4 satisfied by coursework from 2 different disciplines or a foreign language sequence.	3		
SGR#6	Natural Sciences		3-4		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			15-16		

**Second Year**

**Fall**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
PSYC 375-375L	Research Methods in Psychology and Lab	p. ENGL 101 with a C or better and (MATH 103 or MATH 114 or STAT 281 with a C or better)	4	F	
PSYC Major elective (Domain I-III)		p. PSYC 101; complete three courses in each domain.	3		
SGR#1	Written Communication	p. ENGL 101	3		
SGR #3	Social Sciences/Diversity	SGR #3 satisfied by coursework from 2 different disciplines	3		
Natural Sciences		See AHSS Natural Science list in the catalog.	3		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			16		

**Spring**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
PSYC 376-376L	Research Methods II and Lab	p. PSYC 375-375L	4	S	
PSYC Major elective (Domain I-III)		p. PSYC 101; complete three courses in each domain.	9		
Minor/ 2nd Major Course			3		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			16		

**Information Subject to Change. This is not a contract.**

p. = Course Prerequisite  
Semester: F = Fall, S = Spring, SU = Summer



**Third Year**

**Fall**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
PSYC Major electives (Domain I-III)		p. PSYC 101; complete three courses in each domain.	9		
Minor/2nd Major Course			6		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			15		

**Spring**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
PSYC Major elective (Domain I-III)		p. PSYC 101; complete three courses in each domain.	3		
Minor/2nd Major Course			9		
General Electives		Taken as need to reach 120 credits.	3		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			15		

**Fourth Year**

**Fall**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
PSYC 409	History & Systems of Psychology	p. PSYC 375-375L, Capstone	3		
General Electives		Taken as need to reach 120 credits.	12		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			15		

**Spring**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
General Electives		Taken as need to reach 120 credits.	13		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			13		

**Comments/Notes**

Students from all academic majors can pursue graduation with Fishback Honors College distinction. View the [Honors program requirements](#).

As part of the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, students in this program must complete/earn:

- a minimum of 33 upper division credits (300-400 level courses)
- a capstone course in the major
- a designated diversity, equity, and inclusion course – AHSS 111 (or AIS 211 for teaching specialization students only)
- a minor, second major, or teaching specialization
- Natural Sciences Coursework: 10+ credits in any two lab sciences; must include two prefixes.

Testing into a higher-level language course may reduce time to graduation. To begin coursework above the 101 level, take the free modern language placement test at <https://www.sdstate.edu/modern-languages-global-studies/mfl-placement-information> Students with any modern language experience are strongly encouraged to complete the placement test.