SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

Bachelor of Arts
Major: Psychology
2022-2023 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; Grade of C or Higher	3		
Modern Foreign Language Course	Students must complete through the 202 level in an approved Modern Language (SGR #4).	Placement testing is required to determine proficiency level.	4		
SGR #5	Mathematics	p. Placement	3		
SGR #6	Natural Sciences	BIOL 101-101L suggested	3-4		
		Total Credit Hours	16-17		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
PSYC electives (Domains I-III)		p. PSYC 101; complete three courses in each domain.	3		
AHSS 111	Introduction to Global Citizenship and Diversity		3		
Modern Foreign Language Course	Students must complete through the 202 level in an approved Modern Language (SGR #4).	p. 101	4		
SGR #2	Oral Communication		3		
SGR #6	Natural Sciences		3-4		
		Total Credit Hours	17-18		

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 electives (Domains I-III)		p. PSYC 101; complete three courses in each domain.	3		
Modern Foreign Language Course	Students must complete through the 202 level in an approved Modern Language.	p. 102	3		
SGR #1	Written Communication	p. ENGL 101	3		
SGR #3	Social Sciences/Diversity	SGR #3 satisfied by coursework from 2 different disciplines.	3		
		Total Credit Hours	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 electives (Domains I-III)		p. PSYC 101; complete three courses in each domain.	9		
Modern Foreign Language Course	Students must complete through the 202 level in an approved Modern Language.	p. 201	3		
		Total Credit Hours	16		

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

Third Year

Fall

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

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
PSYC electives (Domains I-III)		p. PSYC 101; complete three courses in each domain.	3		
Minor/2nd Major Course			12		
		Total Credit Hours	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			9		
		Total Credit Hours	12		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
General Electives		Taken as need to reach 120 credits	13		
		Total Credit Hours	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
- 6+ credits of Modern Foreign Language coursework, including completion of the 202-Level

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.

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