

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES, ARTS, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
REPORT TO RIVERSIDE DIVISION
MAY 29, 2018**

To be adopted:

Proposed changes to the Psychology Major (BA)

PRESENT:

For the Bachelor of Arts The major requirements for the B.A. degree in Psychology are as follows:

1. Lower-division requirements (39 units)
 - a) One course in Mathematics ~~chosen from~~ MATH 004, MATH 005, MATH 008A, or MATH 009A
 - b) One 4 unit course in Biological Sciences (Biochemistry, Biology, Botany and Plant Sciences, Entomology, Nematology, or Plant Pathology)
 - c) One 4 unit course in Physical Sciences (Chemistry, Physics, Earth Sciences, excluding cultural Geography courses)
 - d) Two additional 4 unit courses that satisfy the CHASS Natural Sciences and Mathematics breadth requirements.
 - e) PSYC 001, PSYC 002, PSYC 011, PSYC 012

2. Upper-division requirements (37 units)
 - a) PSYC 110 or CBNS 106
 - b) PSYC 140, PSYC 150
 - c) PSYC 132 or PSYC 134
 - d) PSYC 160 or PSYC 161 or PSYC 162 or PSYC 163
 - e) Four additional 4-unit, upper-division Psychology courses. Only one 4- to 5-unit quarter of PSYC 198G, or one 4- to 8-unit quarter of PSYC 198I may be included. No 190- series courses other than PSYC 198G or PSYC 198I may be used

Students planning for graduate school should take into consideration any specific graduate school requirements when choosing these elective Psychology courses.

Note Students who have taken general or introductory Psychology courses other than

PROPOSED:

For the Bachelor of Arts The major requirements for the B.A. degree in Psychology are as follows:

1. Lower-division requirements (at least 39 units)
 - a) One course in Mathematics equivalent to MATH 004 or higher; or a score on the MAE (Math Advisory Exam) sufficient for placement into MATH 022 or higher.
 - b) One 4 unit course in Biological Sciences (Biochemistry, Biology, Botany and Plant Sciences, Entomology, Nematology, or Plant Pathology)
 - c) One 4 unit course in Physical Sciences (Chemistry, Physics, Earth Sciences, excluding cultural Geography courses)
 - d) Two additional 4 unit courses that satisfy the CHASS Natural Sciences and Mathematics breadth requirements.
 - e) PSYC 001, PSYC 002, PSYC 011, PSYC 012

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PSYC 001 and PSYC 002 must consult with a departmental advisor.

JUSTIFICATION:

The following change to the BA and BS major criteria is in the wording of the math requirement. The wording clarifies the existing requirement and brings it in line with prior catalog changes to the change of major and transfer admissions criteria. The change is not a substantive change to the requirement itself.

The PSYC department has adopted CEP's recommendation to add, "at least" to the 39 units for lower division requirements to account for the possibility that students can use the placement exams in place of course requirements.

APPROVALS:

Approved by the faculty of the Department of Psychology:

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