

PSYCHOLOGY: PRE-LAW, BA

Degree Requirements

Requirements for Students Matriculating in or before Academic Year 2024-2025. Learn more about University Academic Regulation 3.1 (<http://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#matriculation>).

Minimum Overall Grade Point Average: 2.00

Total Hours: 120

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| General Education Requirements | | |
| <i>English Composition</i> | | |
| See Academic Regulation 3.5 (http://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#english-composition) | | |
| ENGL 1113 | Composition I | 3 |
| or ENGL 1313 | Critical Analysis and Writing I | |
| Select one of the following: | | 3 |
| ENGL 1213 | Composition II | |
| ENGL 1413 | Critical Analysis and Writing II | |
| ENGL 3323 | Technical Writing | |
| <i>American History & Government</i> | | |
| HIST 1103 | Survey of American History | 3 |
| or HIST 1483 | American History to 1865 (H) | |
| or HIST 1493 | American History Since 1865 (DH) | |
| POLS 1113 | American Government | 3 |
| <i>Analytical & Quantitative Thought (A)</i> | | |
| Select one of the following (or higher): | | 3 |
| MATH 1483 | Mathematical Functions and Their Uses (A) (or higher except MATH 1493) | |
| STAT 2013 | Elementary Statistics (A) (or higher) | |
| <i>Humanities (H)</i> | | |
| Courses designated (H) | | 6 |
| <i>Natural Sciences (N)</i> | | |
| Must include one Laboratory Science (L) course | | |
| Course designated (N) | | 6 |
| <i>Social & Behavioral Sciences (S)</i> | | |
| PSYC 1113 | Introductory Psychology (S) | 3 |
| <i>Additional General Education</i> | | |
| Courses designated (A), (H), (N), or (S) | | 10 |
| Hours Subtotal | | 40 |
| Diversity (D) & International Dimension (I) | | |
| May be completed in any part of the degree plan | | |
| Select at least one Diversity (D) course | | |
| Select at least one International Dimension (I) course | | |
| College/Departmental Requirements | | |
| <i>First Year Seminar</i> | | |
| (Transfer students with 15 hours exempt) | | 1 |
| <i>Arts & Humanities</i> | | |
| See note 2.a. | | 9 |
| <i>Natural & Mathematical Sciences</i> | | |
| PHIL 1313 | Logic and Critical Thinking (A) | 3 |

Foreign Language

See note 3 9

Non-Western Studies

At least one course

See note 2.d.

Upper-Division General Education

Select 6 hours outside major department

See note 2.c.

Hours Subtotal 22

Major Requirements

Minimum GPA 2.00 with a minimum grade of "C" in all PSYC courses

No more than 9 hours of PSYC may be 2000 level

Core Requirements

PSYC 1111 Succeeding in Psychology 1

PSYC 3214 Statistical Methods in Psychology 4

PSYC 3914 Experimental Psychology: Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology 4

Select 30 hours, including at least one course from each of the 4 competency areas: 30

Learning, Cognition, Biological Basis:

PSYC 3073 Neurobiological Psychology (N)

PSYC 3113 Comparative Psychology (N)

PSYC 3173 Introduction to Cognitive Science (N)

PSYC 3513 Psychology of Learning

PSYC 3713 Psychology of Memory ¹

PSYC 3823 Cognitive Psychology

PSYC 4023 Evolutionary Psychology (N)

PSYC 4073 Principles of Neuroscience

PSYC 4223 Decision Making and Problem Solving

PSYC 4263 Affective Neuroscience

PSYC 4343 Language Development (S)

Psychometrics, Personality, Social Processes:

PSYC 2743 Social Psychology (S) ¹

PSYC 3033 Psychology of Humor (S)

PSYC 3013 Psychology of Motivation

PSYC 3053 Psychology of Art (S)

PSYC 3413 Social Cognition & Behavior; Mating, Morality, & other Mysteries ¹

PSYC 4153 Psychology and Mass Media

PSYC 4333 Personality ¹

PSYC 4813 Psychological Testing

Developmental and Sociocultural Dimensions:

PSYC 2313 Psychology of Adjustment

PSYC 2583 Developmental Psychology (S)

PSYC 2593 Psychology of Human Sexuality

PSYC 3343 Black Psychology (DS)

PSYC 4123 Psychology of Women (DS)

PSYC 4163 Psychology of Prejudice and Discrimination (D) ¹

PSYC 4243 Psychology of Aging

Clinical, Applied Psychology:

PSYC 2443 Clinical Child Psychology

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| PSYC 3443 | Psychopathology (S) ¹ |
| PSYC 3883 | Positive Psychology |
| PSYC 4013 | Introduction to Pediatric Psychology |
| PSYC 4143 | Psychology and Law ¹ |
| PSYC 4183 | Issues in Clinical Psychology ¹ |
| PSYC 4213 | Conflict Resolution (S) ¹ |
| PSYC 4283 | Health Psychology |
| PSYC 4293 | Forensic Psychology ¹ |
| PSYC 4483 | Psychology of Parent Behavior (S) |
| PSYC 4633 | Psychology of Sport and Human Performance |
| Other PSYC Elective Courses: | |
| PSYC 2890 | Honors Experience in Psychology |
| PSYC 3120 | Special Topics in Psychology (1-12 hours) |
| PSYC 3990 | Teaching Practicum (1-6 hours) |
| PSYC 4353 | History of the Human Soul |
| PSYC 4493 | History of Psychology |
| PSYC 4770 | Undergraduate Senior Thesis (1-6 hours) |
| PSYC 4880 | Senior Honors Thesis (1-6 hours) |
| PSYC 4883 | Current Issues in Psychology |
| PSYC 4990 | Research Practicum (1-6 hours) |
| <i>Legal Emphasis</i> | |
| Select 12 upper-division hours of the following: | 12 |
| AMIS 4013 | American Indian Sovereignty (D) |
| AMST 3333 | Crime, Law and American Culture (S) |
| ENGL 3223 | Professional Writing Theory |
| ENGL 3323 | Technical Writing |
| ENGL 4003 | History of the English Language |
| ENGL 4013 | English Grammar |
| GEOG 3133 | Political Geography (IS) |
| LSB 3213 | Legal and Regulatory Environment of Business |
| LSB 4323 | Law of Commercial Transactions and Debtor-Creditor Relationships |
| LSB 4403 | Law and Entrepreneurship |
| LSB 4413 | Law of Business Organizations |
| LSB 4423 | Employment Law (D) |
| LSB 4523 | Law of Real Property |
| LSB 4633 | Legal Aspects of International Business Transactions (I) |
| PHIL 3003 | Symbolic Logic (A) |
| PHIL 3413 | Ethical Theory (H) |
| PHIL 3803 | Business Ethics (H) |
| PHIL 3833 | Biomedical Ethics (H) |
| POLS 3033 | International Law |
| POLS 3453 | U.S. Congress |
| POLS 3533 | Lobbying: the Art of Influence and Manipulation |
| POLS 3523 | Money, Media And Politics |
| POLS 3963 | State Courts and the Bar |
| POLS 3983 | Courts and Judicial Process (S) |
| POLS 3993 | Legal Research And Analysis |
| POLS 4353 | Administrative Law |

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| POLS 4363 | Environmental Law And Policy |
| POLS 4593 | Natural Resources and Environmental Policy |
| POLS 4963 | U.S. Constitution: Civil Rights and Civil Liberties |
| POLS 4973 | U.S. Constitution: Separation of Powers |
| SOC 3523 | Juvenile Delinquency (DS) |
| SOC 4023 | Juvenile Corrections and Treatment Strategies |
| SOC 4033 | Comparative Perspectives of Criminal Justice Systems (IS) |
| SOC 4313 | Sociology of Law |
| SOC 4333 | Criminology (S) |
| SOC 4733 | Criminal Behavior Analysis |
| SOC 4743 | Criminalistics: Introduction to Forensic Sciences |
| SOC 4753 | Advanced Forensics |
| SOC 4923 | Sociology of Punishment (S) |
| SPCH 3733 | Elements of Persuasion (S) |
| SPCH 4753 | Intercultural Communication (I) |
| SPCH 4793 | Nonverbal Communication (S) |
| Hours Subtotal | 51 |
| Electives | |
| Select 7 hours | 7 |
| May need to include 6 hours upper-division general education outside major department. See note 2.c. | |
| Recommended courses: | |
| POLS 2023 | The Individual And The Law |
| SPCH 2713 | Introduction to Speech Communication (S) |
| Hours Subtotal | 7 |
| Total Hours | 120 |

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Denotes recommended courses.

Other Requirements

- See the College of Arts and Sciences Requirements.
- **Upper-Division Credit:** Total hours must include at least 40 hours in courses numbered 3000 or above.

College of Arts and Sciences Requirements

1. **Hours in One Department:** For B.A. and B.S. degrees, no more than 54 hours in one department may be required to meet degree requirements. Courses used to satisfy the General Education English Composition, U.S. History, American Government, and Mathematics or Statistics requirements will not count toward the 54-hour maximum required from one department.
2. **A&S College/Departmental Requirements**
 - a. Arts and Humanities are defined as any course carrying an (H) designation or courses from AMST, ART, DANC, ENGL (except ENGL 3323 Technical Writing) HIST, MUSI, PHIL (except PHIL 1313 Logic and Critical Thinking (A), PHIL 3003 Symbolic Logic (A) and PHIL 4003 Mathematical Logic and Computability), REL, TH, and foreign languages.

- b. Natural and Mathematical Sciences are defined as any course from the following prefixes: ASTR, BIOC, BIOL, CHEM, CS (except CS 4883 Social Issues in Computing), GEOL, MATH, MICR, PBIO, PHYS, and STAT; or courses from other departments that carry an (A) or (N) general education designation.
- c. Six upper-division hours are required from General Education or any CAS courses outside the student's major department (<http://catalog.okstate.edu/college-arts-sciences-major-departments/>). This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
- d. Non-Western Studies Requirement for B.A. and B.F.A.; One course in Non-Western Studies (N.W.). This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
- e. The College of Arts & Sciences requires a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major requirements and a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major-prefix courses applied to the degree.

3. Foreign Language Proficiency

- a. The foreign language requirement for the B.A. may be satisfied by 9 hours college credit in the same language, which must include 3 hours at the 2000-level, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement. Currently Arabic and Mvskoke are not offered at the 2000-level at OSU.
- b. The foreign language requirement for the B.S., B.M. and B.F.A. may be satisfied by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language (passing grades at second-year level of study). It may also be satisfied by 6 hours college credit in the same language, which must include language courses 1713 and 1813, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement.
- c. In addition to a. and b., students pursuing teacher certification must meet novice-high foreign language proficiency by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language with no grade below B. Or, students may complete 3 hours college credit in a single language with no grade below C (or pass an advanced standing examination, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) exam, or Oral Proficiency Interview developed by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, equivalent to 3 hours of college credit.) Or, students may meet the requirement by transfer of documentation of meeting the foreign language competency from one of the teacher education programs in the State of Oklahoma approved by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

- 4. **Exclusions.** Courses with ATHL or LEIS prefixes and leisure activity courses may not be used for degree credit.

Additional State/OSU Requirements

- At least: 60 hours at a four-year institution; 30 hours completed at OSU; 15 of the final 30 or 50% of the upper-division hours in the major field completed at OSU.
- Limit of: one-half of major course requirements as transfer work; one-fourth of hours earned by correspondence; 8 transfer correspondence hours.
- Students will be held responsible for degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation and any changes that are made, so long as these changes do not result in semester credit hours being added or do not delay graduation.
- Degrees that follow this plan must be completed by the end of Summer 2030.