

PSYCHOLOGY CONCENTRATION

Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts Degree

Program Description

The focus of the Liberal Arts Program is to provide the student with a breadth of program offerings in a chosen field of study. Liberal Arts students may focus their program in the following concentration areas: Behavioral Science, English, History/Government, Humanities, Psychology, Social Science, or Sociology. All concentration electives must be selected in the chosen area of study.

Program Outcomes

At the completion of this program, the student should be able to:

- Compose well-structured, unified and coherent expository assignments.
- Demonstrate information literacy through research assignments.
- Apply the principles of critical thinking to assess required readings and points of discussion.
- Describe the social, political and philosophical contexts that inform a Liberal Arts concentration.
- Describe the diverse cultural and behavioral influences on a Liberal Arts concentration.
- Apply a theoretical understanding to practical problems in a Liberal Arts field (Behavioral Science, English, History/Government, Humanities, Psychology, Social Science, or Sociology).

Psychology Concentration Outcomes

At the completion of the Psychology Concentration, the student should be able to:

- Demonstrate, through oral and written assignments, familiarity with the major concepts, theoretical perspectives, empirical findings, and historical trends in Psychology.
- Apply critical and creative thinking, skeptical inquiry, and the scientific approach to behavioral and mental processes in order to solve problems and evaluate competing theories.
- Demonstrate the value of empirical evidence and ambiguous results.
- Develop insight into the behavior and mental processes of one's self and others.
- Identify and apply effective psychological strategies for improving mental health and well-being and promoting ethical behavior.

General Education Requirements – see p. 98		Credits
25 credits total		
Computer Science		3 credits
ENG 101 English Composition I		3 credits
ENG 102 English Composition II ¹		3 credits
History/Government		3 credits
IDS 167 First Year Seminar		3 credits
MAT 107 Statistics		3 credits
BIO 111 General Biology		4 credits
PSY 101 General Psychology		3 credits

Program Requirements – 36 credits total		Credits
SOC 101 General Sociology		3 credits
PSY 215 Abnormal Psychology		3 credits
Literature Electives ²		3 credits
Social Science Elective ²		3 credits
Open Elective		6 credits
Psychology Concentration Electives (see below)		18 credits

Total credits required for graduation 61 credits

Psychology Concentration Electives		Credits
PSY 103 Child Development (F)		3 credits
PSY 210 Psychology of Learning ¹		3 credits
PSY 216 Growth & Development		3 credits
PSY 221 Health Psychology ¹ (S)		3 credits
PSY 230 Sports Psychology (S)		3 credits
PSY 270 Psychological Dimensions of Climate Change (S)		3 credits
PSY 280 Research Design & Methodology ¹		3 credits
PSY 300 Positive Psychology (F)		3 credits
PSY 301 Child Psychology (S)		3 credits
PSY 307 Psychology of Change (S)		3 credits
PSY 340 Psychology in the Workplace ¹ (F)		3 credits
PSY 350 Group Dynamics (F)		3 credits
HSV 200 Human Behavior & the Social Environment		3 credits
PHL 113 Death and Dying		3 credits
SOC 112 Interpersonal Communication		3 credits

Additional Information

1. Indicates course requires the completion of a prerequisite.
 2. Electives: Please go to the list of applicable [elective courses](#) by field starting page 99.

Note: All classes are offered in the fall and the spring unless otherwise designated:

F=Class is only offered in the Fall
 S=Class is only offered in the Spring

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Computer Science	3 credits	
ENG 101 English Composition I	3 credits	
IDS 167 First Year Seminar	3 credits	
MAT 107 Statistics	3 credits	
PSY 101 General Psychology	3 credits	
Total	15 credits	

Semester 2	Credits	Pre-Requisites
ENG 102 English Composition II	3 credits	ENG 101
History/Government	3 credits	
PSY 215 Abnormal Psychology	3 credits	
Psychology Concentration Elective	3 credits	
SOC 101 General Sociology	3 credits	
Total	15 credits	

Semester 3	Credits	Pre-Requisites
Open Elective	3 credits	
Literature Elective	3 credits	
BIO 111 General Biology	4 credits	
Psychology Concentration Elective	3 credits	
Psychology Concentration Elective	3 credits	
Total	16 credits	

Semester 4	Credits	Pre-Requisites
Open Elective	3 credits	
Psychology Concentration Elective	3 credits	
Psychology Concentration Elective	3 credits	
Psychology Concentration Elective	3 credits	
Social Science Elective	3 credits	
Total	15 credits	

Semester Path:

Recommended course of study for a full-time student. It is recommended that students speak to an Academic Advisor before registering for courses each semester.

Student Resources:

Academic Advising
617-984-1720

**Dean's Office of Arts and Sciences
& Professional Programs**
617-405-5920

Dean's Office of Allied Health
617-405-5960

Dean's Office of Nursing
617-405-5990

Financial Aid Office
617-984-1620

Registrar's Office
617-984-1650

**Student Accessibility and
Academic Support Services**
617-405-5915