

# DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

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Psychology is the scientific study of human cognition, affect, behavior, and relationships. Psychologists seek to understand, predict and influence behavior through research into a wide range of issues which affect human functioning, including social, physiological, developmental, cognitive and emotional factors. Research methodology is central to the discipline, and all Psychology majors learn about research strategies and methods of data analysis.

## Programs

- Psychology to M.A. Counseling, Accelerated Graduate Degree (<http://catalog.marshall.edu/undergraduate/programs-az/liberal-arts/psychology/psychology-ma-counseling-accelerated-graduate-degree/>)
- Psychology, Accelerated Graduate Degree (<http://catalog.marshall.edu/undergraduate/programs-az/liberal-arts/psychology/psychology-accelerated-graduate-degree/>)
- Psychology, B.A. (<http://catalog.marshall.edu/undergraduate/programs-az/liberal-arts/psychology/psychology-ba/>)
- Psychology, B.S. (<http://catalog.marshall.edu/undergraduate/programs-az/liberal-arts/psychology/psychology-bs/>)
- Psychology, Minor (<http://catalog.marshall.edu/undergraduate/programs-az/liberal-arts/psychology/psychology-minor/>)

## Courses

 - General Education Course

<b>PSY 100 Psychology as a Major</b>	<b>1 Credit hour</b>
Prepares students to be successful undergraduate Psychology majors and introduces possible careers and educational requirements.	
<b>Grade Mode:</b> Normal Grading Mode	
<b>PSY 201  Introductory Psychology (CT)</b>	<b>3 Credit hours</b>
Principles and methods in the scientific study of behavior.	
<b>Attributes:</b> Critical Thinking, Core II Social Sciences	
<b>Grade Mode:</b> Normal Grading Mode	
<b>PSY 201H  General Psychology-Honors (CT)</b>	<b>3 Credit hours</b>
For the superior student.	
<b>Pre-req:</b> Admitted Honors College with a score of 1.	
<b>Attributes:</b> Critical Thinking, Core II Social Sciences	
<b>Grade Mode:</b> Normal Grading Mode	
<b>PSY 204 Psychology of Adjustment</b>	<b>3 Credit hours</b>
Modes of personal and social adjustment; assessment and treatment techniques.	
<b>Grade Mode:</b> Normal Grading Mode	
<b>PSY 205 Intro Paraprof Mental Health</b>	<b>3 Credit hours</b>
Course covers paraprofessional mental health career options; community resource utilization, deinstitutionalization, crisis/interpersonal intervention and special populations. On-site observation experience required.	
<b>Pre-req:</b> PSY 201.	
<b>Grade Mode:</b> Normal Grading Mode	
<b>PSY 223  Elem Behavioral Stat</b>	<b>3 Credit hours</b>
Orientation to the philosophy of science; survey of methods in behavior study; elementary statistics.	
<b>Pre-req:</b> (PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D) and (MTH 121 with a minimum grade of D or MTH 121B with a minimum grade of D or MTH 122 with a minimum grade of D or MTH 125 with a minimum grade of D or MTH 127 with a minimum grade of D or MTH 130 with a minimum grade of D or MTH 132 with a minimum grade of D or MTH 140 with a minimum grade of D or MTH 140H with a minimum grade of D or MTH 160 with a minimum grade of D or MTH 220 with a minimum grade of D or (STA 150 with a minimum grade of D and STA 150L with a minimum grade of D) or (STA 150B with a minimum grade of D and STA 150L with a minimum grade of D) or MTH 229 with a minimum grade of D or MTH 229H with a minimum grade of D).	
<b>Attributes:</b> Core II Social Sciences, Statistics	
<b>Grade Mode:</b> Normal Grading Mode	
<b>PSY 223L Elem Behavioral Stats Lab</b>	<b>1 Credit hour</b>
A laboratory course accompanying PSY 223, emphasizing experiential exercises related to methodology and research in psychology.	
<b>Pre-req:</b> MTH 121.	
<b>Co-req:</b> PSY 223	
<b>Grade Mode:</b> Normal Grading Mode	
<b>PSY 250 Psychology of Pop Culture</b>	<b>3 Credit hours</b>
This course surveys how psychology and psychological issues are presented, researched, and applied in multiple modalities of popular culture.	
<b>Pre-req:</b> PSY 201.	
<b>Grade Mode:</b> Normal Grading Mode	
<b>PSY 280 Special Topics</b>	<b>1-4 Credit hours</b>
<b>Grade Mode:</b> Normal Grading Mode	
<b>PSY 281 Special Topics</b>	<b>1-4 Credit hours</b>
<b>Grade Mode:</b> Normal Grading Mode	
<b>PSY 282 Special Topics</b>	<b>1-4 Credit hours</b>
<b>Grade Mode:</b> Normal Grading Mode	
<b>PSY 283 Special Topics</b>	<b>1-4 Credit hours</b>
<b>Grade Mode:</b> Normal Grading Mode	
<b>PSY 300 Paranormal Phenomena</b>	<b>3 Credit hours</b>
Investigation of such putative paranormal events as ESP, clairvoyance, UFO's, ghosts, astral projection, astrology, and related topics. Emphasis on evaluation of evidence using the scientific method and scientific criteria.	
<b>Pre-req:</b> PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.	
<b>Grade Mode:</b> Normal Grading Mode	
<b>PSY 302 Social Psychology</b>	<b>3 Credit hours</b>
Social determinants of individual behavior.	
<b>Pre-req:</b> PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.	
<b>Grade Mode:</b> Normal Grading Mode	

- PSY 310 Beh Int Paraprof Mental Health** **3 Credit hours**  
 Course covers behavioral theory, antecedent motivators, functional analysis, reinforcement regimes; preparing and following treatment plans, defining measurable goals/objectives, monitoring progress.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 205.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 311 Child Development** **3 Credit hours**  
 Psychological characteristics and personal and social problems of developmental periods.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 312 Adult Development** **3 Credit hours**  
 Study of the physiological, psychological, and social processes that occur throughout adult development.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 323 Experimental Psychology** **3 Credit hours**  
 Methodology and research in psychology. 2 lec-2 lab.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 223 with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 324 Sensation & Perception** **3 Credit hours**  
 Methodology and research in sensory and perceptual processes.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 223 with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 330 Human Sexual Behavior** **3 Credit hours**  
 A psychological approach to the functioning, attitudes, varieties and development of human sexual behavior.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 350 Animal Behavior** **3 Credit hours**  
 A comprehensive study of the behavior of non-human animals.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 or PSY 201E or PSY 201H.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 360 Personality** **3 Credit hours**  
 Personality structure, dynamics and development.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 391 Psychology Of Aggression** **3 Credit hours**  
 A multifaceted study of aggressive behavior in humans and other animals. Topics include biological and learned components of aggression, sex differences in aggression, violent crimes and personalities, media violence, and control of personal and group aggression.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 or PSY 201E or PSY 201H and (PSY 302 or PSY 311 or PSY 408).  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 405 Sport Psychology** **3 Credit hours**  
 An examination of theory, research, and application of psychological principles related to sport and exercise.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 406 Psychometrics** **3 Credit hours**  
 Mental test theory and applications.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 223 with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 408 Abnormal Psychology** **3 Credit hours**  
 An overview of the theories, assessment techniques, and treatment of maladaptive behavior.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 411 Adv Topics Developmental Psy** **3 Credit hours**  
 This course will provide an advanced study of topics regarding change throughout the lifespan. Emphasis will be on understanding the interactions of biological, psychological and social factors.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 311.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 415 Cognitive Psychology** **3 Credit hours**  
 Theoretical and empirical approaches to the role of pattern recognition, attention, memory, language, problem solving and decision making in human thinking.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 416 Psychology of Learning** **3 Credit hours**  
 Critical study of the major theories of learning and the related research.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 417 Inter Behavioral Stat** **3 Credit hours**  
 An intermediate level presentation of descriptive and inferential statistics as applied in behavioral research. 2 lec-2 lab.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 223 with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 418 Psychology of Personnel** **3 Credit hours**  
 Psychological principles and methods applied to functions in personnel administration.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 420 Intro to I-O Psychology** **3 Credit hours**  
 A systematic study of the application of psychological methods and principles in business and industry. Emphasis is on research methods, motivation, training, leadership, personnel selection, employee safety, and job satisfaction.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201E with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 425 Psychology of Cinema Symbolism** **3 Credit hours**  
 Analysis of how signs, symbols, and archetypes influence the individual and collective psyche via film.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode

- PSY 426 🌍 Cross Cultural Psychology 3 Credit hours**  
Emic and etic cultural concepts are considered from an American (subcultural) and international perspective. Cultural influences on healing, health and service are covered.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Attributes:** Multicultural  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 430 Psychology of Women 3 Credit hours**  
This course explores theories, findings, and social issues regarding the psychology of women and gender, with emphasis on gender role socialization on people's beliefs and behaviors across the lifespan.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 or PSY 201H.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 433 Currnt Models Psychotherapy 3 Credit hours**  
Introduction of theoretical models and related therapeutic strategies which influence the practice of modern psychotherapy.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 360 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 408 with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 435 Psych of Conspiracy Theory 3 Credit hours**  
Understand, identify, and give critical analysis to the psychological and social factors that promote the support and belief of conspiracy theory.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 440 Physiological Psychology 3 Credit hours**  
The relationships between physiological functions and biochemical processes and behavior.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 443 Health Psychology 3 Credit hours**  
Introduction to the contribution of psychology to the promotion and maintenance of health and the prevention and treatment of illness.  
**Pre-req:** (PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D) and PSY 323 with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 456 🌍 Research in Psychology 3 Credit hours**  
Laboratory courses to give advanced students experience in conducting psychological research.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 223 with a minimum grade of D and PSY 323 with a minimum grade of D.  
**Attributes:** Capstone Course  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 457 🌍 Research in Psychology 3 Credit hours**  
Laboratory courses to give advanced students experience in conducting psychological research.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201E with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Attributes:** Capstone Course, No Textbook Required  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 460 🌍 History & Systems 3 Credit hours**  
An examination of the historical and philosophical antecedents of contemporary psychology.  
**Pre-req:** (PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D) and PSY 223 with a minimum grade of D and PSY 323 with a minimum grade of D.  
**Attributes:** Capstone Course  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 465 Love Intimacy and Attachment 3 Credit hours**  
Examination of how childhood attachments, bonds, and relationships affect and influence adult perspectives on love, expectations, intimacy, fidelity, and commitment.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 311.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 470 I-O Psych Practicum 3 Credit hours**  
The course will offer students applied observational/research experience in Personnel/Human Resource Departments under the supervision of professionals within the fields of Industrial-Organizational Psychology and Human Resources. (PR: Psy 418 or Psy 420 and Permission.)  
**Pre-req:** PSY 418 or PSY 420.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 471 🌍 Practicum in Clinical PSY 3 Credit hours**  
Students work 6 hours per week in a local clinical setting where they have the opportunity to observe individual and group therapy, psychological testing, staff meetings, etc. PR: 12 hours of PSY including 408 and Permission of Instructor  
**Pre-req:** PSY 408.  
**Attributes:** Capstone Course  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 475 Race Culture and Development 3 Credit hours**  
Examine the roles that race, ethnicity, and culture play in the physical, cognitive, intellectual, and social developmental processes of people of color.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 480 Special Topics 1-4 Credit hours**  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 or PSY 201H.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 481 Special Topics 1-4 Credit hours**  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 or PSY 201H.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 482 Special Topics 1-4 Credit hours**  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 or PSY 201H.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 483 Special Topics 1-4 Credit hours**  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 or PSY 201H.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode
- PSY 485 Independent Study 1-4 Credit hours**  
A course or seminar on some aspect of Psychology not otherwise treated in regular course offerings.  
**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode

**PSY 486 Independent Study 1-4 Credit hours**

A course or seminar on some aspect of Psychology not otherwise treated in regular course offerings.

**Pre-req:** PSY 201 with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201E with a minimum grade of D or PSY 201H with a minimum grade of D.

**Attributes:** No Textbook Required  
**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode

**PSY 487 Independent Study 1-4 Credit hours**

A course or seminar on some aspect of Psychology not otherwise treated in regular course offerings.

**Pre-req:** PSY 201 or PSY 201H.

**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode

**PSY 488 Independent Study 1-4 Credit hours**

A course or seminar on some aspect of Psychology not otherwise treated in regular course offerings.

**Pre-req:** PSY 201 or PSY 201H.

**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode

**PSY 490 🌱 Intro to Teaching in Psych 3 Credit hours**

This course is designed to provide students with an introductory experience to teaching in psychology.

**Attributes:** Capstone Course

**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode

**PSY 491 🌱 Intro to Teaching in Psych 3 Credit hours**

This course is designed to provide students with an introductory experience to teaching in psychology.

**Attributes:** Capstone Course

**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode

**PSY 499 🌱 PSY Capstone Seminar 3 Credit hours**

A capstone course which integrates research methods, critical analysis, and problem solving applied to psychological questions and issues.

**Pre-req:** PSY 223 with a minimum grade of D and PSY 323 with a minimum grade of D.

**Attributes:** Capstone Course

**Grade Mode:** Normal Grading Mode

## Faculty

### Professors

Atkins, Beard, Footo-Linz, Fugett-Fuller, Kirby, LeGrow, Pittenger

### Associate Professors

Canady, Day-Brown, Goel, Hinton, Koontz, Linz

### Assistant Professors

Benson, Billingsley, Black, Toyama, Williams

### Instructors

Dunham, McAulay