FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR

Psychology, B.A.

Forensic psychology refers to the application of psychology within the legal system. Issues such as competency to stand trial, not guilty by reason of insanity, juvenile delinquency, gender, and expert witness testimony are explored. Students gain an understanding of how the fields of psychology and the law are integrated by working on collaborations with various community agencies. Students will learn about effective interventions and rehabilitation through a multidisciplinary perspective and will take courses in psychology, legal studies, criminal justice, and sociology. A major in forensic psychology can be used to pursue a career in various areas of mental health, corrections, rehabilitation, victimization, the legal system, or graduate school.

Degree requirements for the Forensic Psychology major are as follows:

Code	Title	Hours
University Core		
Behavioral/Social Science Electives		
BUS 204	Financial Wellness	1
ENG 114	Critical Reading and Response	3
ENG 134	Literary Genres	3
Humanities Electives		9
MAT 120	Statistics	3
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology I	3
Science Electives (lab required)		7
WEL 100	Empowered as Learners and Leaders	3
or WEL 220	Empowered as Learners and Leaders	
WEL 350	Strategies for Career and Personal Growth	2
Major Requirem	ents	
ENG 124	Research and Writing in the Disciplines	3
Experiential Electives ¹		6
PSY 150	Survey of Forensic Psychology	3
PSY 216	Psychology of Cultural Diversity	3
PSY 240	Psychopathology	3
PSY 250	Behavioral Research Methods	3
or INT 250	Research Methods in the Social Sciences	
PSY 321	Theories of Personality	3
PSY 335	Psychology of Criminal Behavior	3
PSY 336	Psychology of the Female Offender	3
PSY 340	Physiological Psychology	3
PSY 341	Drugs and Behavior	3
PSY 342	Crisis Intervention for Community and Mental Health Settings	3
PSY 370	Social Psychology	3
PSY 380	Interviewing and Counseling	3
PSY 441	Seminar in Advanced Forensic Psychology	3
General Electives		
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Total Credits Req	uired	120

¹ Students must take 6 credits from the following list: PSY 285 Psychology in the Field, PSY 400 Psychology Capstone, PSY 495 Independent Research, PSY 498 Psychology Internship, PSY 499 Psychology Internship, WEL 400 Leadership in Practice, WEL 440 Leadership in Practice.