

Psychology Program Information

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Programs Involving Psychology

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This meeting

- Psychology major
- Psychology minor
- Psychology & Education special major

Meeting on Tuesday, Feb 3 from 4:30 – 5:15 pm

- Neuroscience ([Zoom Link](#))

Meeting on Friday, Feb 11 from 4:15 – 5:00 pm

- Cognitive Science ([Zoom Link](#))

Meeting on Wednesday, Feb 7 from 4:30 - 5:15 pm

- Educational Studies and Special Majors ([Zoom Link](#))

Meeting on Wednesday, Feb 4 from 4:30 - 5:15 pm

- Biology ([Zoom link](#))

Areas of Psychology at Swarthmore

- Clinical
- Cognitive
- Developmental
- Language
- Neuroscience
 - Behavioral neuroscience
 - Cognitive neuroscience
 - Social, cognitive & affective neuroscience
- Perception
- Social
- Multicultural

Why study psychology?

Increase understanding of...

- Self and others
- How the mind works
- Human development
- Social factors that influence attitudes and behaviors
- Research process & scientific method
- How to change behavior
- How to improve relationships and well-being

Why study psychology?

Develop skills

- Critical thinking
- Empirical research
- Effective communication
- Working with others
- Helping others

Types of courses

<https://www.swarthmore.edu/psychology/courses>

- Intro courses (PSYC 001, FYS)
- Research Design & Analysis (PSYC 025)
- Core courses - #s in 30s
 - (e.g., behavioral neuroscience, cognitive, clinical, developmental, language, perception, social, social & affective neuroscience, multicultural psychology)
- Seminars - #s in 130s (honors or nonhonors)
- Elective courses in special topics (e.g., Political Psychology, CBT)
- Research and field placement courses
 - Research practica courses (#s 100-110)
 - Senior thesis
 - Senior field placement in clinical psychology (PSYC 90)

Psychology Program Information for Sophomore Plan

- Psychology Department website
 - See: <https://www.swarthmore.edu/psychology>
- Course Major and Course Minor
 - See: <https://www.swarthmore.edu/psychology/majors-minors>
- Honors Program in Psychology
 - See: <https://www.swarthmore.edu/psychology/honors-program-psychology>
- Special Majors involving Psychology
 - See: <https://www.swarthmore.edu/psychology/special-majors>
- Psychology Courses (Plan for next 2 years)
 - See: <https://www.swarthmore.edu/psychology/courses>
 - *Click on course title for description & information about prerequisites*
- Psychology Department's Off-Campus Study Policies
 - See: <https://www.swarthmore.edu/psychology/campus-study>
- Sophomore Plan Info
 - <https://www.swarthmore.edu/academic-advising-support/sophomore-plan-study>

Psychology Course Major

<https://www.swarthmore.edu/psychology/majors-minors>

Minimum 8 credits + Stat 011

- PSYC 001. Intro to Psychology or FYS
 - (AP/IB can be used for placement BUT not for course credit)
- PSYC 025. Research Design & Analysis
 - (Stat 011 is prereq or coreq)
- 4 core courses (course #s in 30s)
- Senior comprehensive requirement
 - i.e., thesis, research practica course, field placement in clinical, etc.
- Additional courses to reach ≥ 8 credits
 - Can be additional core course, elective, seminar, research practica, senior field placement, etc.

Psychology Honors Major

<https://www.swarthmore.edu/psychology/honors-program-psychology>

- PSYC 001. Intro to Psychology or FYS
 - (AP/IB can be used for placement BUT not for course credit)
- PSYC 025. Research Design & Analysis
 - (Stat 011 is prereq or coreq)
- 4 core courses (course #s in 30s)
- **2 seminars that follow up on core courses (course #s in 130s)**
 - (honors preps = 2 core/seminar combos)
- **Senior comprehensive requirement = 2 credit thesis**
 - (honors prep = senior thesis)

Example Psychology Honors Major

PSYC 001. Intro to Psychology

PSYC 025. Research Design & Analysis (+Stat 011)

4 core courses (course #s in 30s)

- Psyc 31A. Social, Cognitive, & Affective Neuroscience
- Psyc 33. Cognitive Psychology
- Psyc 35. Social Psychology
- Psyc 38. Clinical Psychology

2 Seminars

- PSYC 133. Metaphor & Mind Seminar
- PSYC 138B. Seminar in Clinical Psychology: Anxiety Disorders

Psyc 180 Honors Thesis in Psychology (Fall & Spring Senior Year)

Honors Preparations

1. Cognitive Area Core + Seminar (Psyc 33/Psyc 133)
2. Clinical Area Core + Seminar (Psyc 38/Psyc 138B)
3. Honors Thesis (Psyc 180 - 2 semesters)

Research Opportunities

(Thesis, Research Practica Courses, Etc.)

See:

<https://www.swarthmore.edu/psychology/research-practica>

<https://www.swarthmore.edu/psychology/labs>

Psychology Course Minor

<https://www.swarthmore.edu/psychology/majors-minors>

Minimum 5 credits

- PSYC 001. Intro Psychology or FYS
 - (AP/IB can be used for placement BUT not for course credit)
- 2 core courses (course #s in 30s)
- additional courses to reach 5 credits
 - Can be additional core course, elective, seminar, research practica, senior field placement, etc.

Psychology Honors Minor

Minimum 5 credits

- PSYC 001. Intro Psychology or FYS
 - (AP/IB can be used for placement BUT not for course credit)
- PSYC 025. Research Design & Analysis
 - (Stat 011 is prereq or coreq)
- 2 core courses (course #s in 30s)
- **1 seminar (course # in 130s) that follows up on core.**
 - (honors prep = core/seminar combo)
- If placed out of Psyc 001 through AP/IB, additional course to reach 5 credits

Psychology & Educational Studies Special Major

<https://www.swarthmore.edu/sites/default/files/assets/documents/educational-studies/Psychology%20and%20Educational%20Studies%209.18.pdf>

- 11-12 credits across Psychology & Education + Stat 011
 - ≥ 5 courses taught by psychology faculty
 - ≥ 5 courses in Educational Studies
- Psychology Requirements
 - PSYC 1. Intro Psychology or FYS
 - PSYC 25. Research Design & Analysis (Stat 011 is prereq or coreq)
 - 3 core courses (course #s in 30s)
- Education Requirements
 - EDUC 014. Intro to Education
 - EDUC 021. Educational Psychology
- Senior comprehensive requirement
 - i.e., thesis, research practica course, senior clinical field placement, senior project that bridges both disciplines
- Additional courses in Psychology and/or Education to reach ≥ 11 -12 credits

Psychology & Educational Studies **Honors** Special Major

- 11-12 credits across Psychology & Education + Stat 011
 - ≥ 5 courses taught by psychology faculty
 - ≥ 5 courses in Educational Studies
- Psychology Requirements
 - Psyc 001. Intro Psychology or FYS
 - Psyc 025. Research Design & Analysis (Stat 011 is prereq or coreq)
 - 3 core courses (course #s in 30s)
 - **1 seminar following up on core (Honors prep = seminar/core combo)**
- Education Requirements
 - Educ 014. Intro to Education
 - Educ 021. Educational Psychology
 - **2 credit honors seminar (Honors prep = 2 credit seminar)**
- **Senior comprehensive requirement – 2 credit thesis that bridges both disciplines (honors prep)**

Acceptance Criteria

<u>Psychology Course Major</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completed at least 2 courses in Psychology• Good standing at the College	<u>Psychology Honors Major</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completed at least 2 courses in Psychology• Good standing at the College• B+ or higher average overall and in Psychology
<u>Psychology Course Minor</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completed at least 1 course in Psychology• Good standing at the College	<u>Psychology Honors Minor</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completed at least 1 course in Psychology• Good standing at the College• B+ or higher average overall and in Psychology
<u>Special Major: Psychology and Ed. Studies</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completed at least 2 courses in Psychology• Completed EDUC 014: Introduction to Education• Completed at least 1 additional EDUC course• Good standing at the College	<u>Special Honors Major: Psychology and Ed. Studies</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completed at least 2 courses in Psychology• EDUC 014: Introduction to Education• Completed at least 1 other EDUC course• Good standing at the College• B+ or higher average overall, and in both Psychology and Ed Studies

Next Steps

- By **February 14**, submit your intended program (majors/minors) through mySwarthmore
- **February 18** – Sophomore plan advisor(s) names will be posted in mySwarthmore. Receive welcome email message from Psychology with links to info about majors, minors, honors, courses, etc. & info about the advising process
- **March 2** - deadline for students to draft a sophomore plan to review with their advisor
- **February 21-March 2**--- Meet individually (as needed) with faculty advisor via Zoom to develop/review plan

Extremely Important: Make sure that you have run your sophomore plan by your advisor and that your advisor has approved it, before you submit it.

- By **March 3**, submit your sophomore plan
- By **TBD (no set deadline yet)**, students will be notified of departmental decisions & advisor assignments.

Questions?