

PSYCHOLOGY, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (BS) - CONCENTRATION IN DEVELOPMENTAL

Students are required to maintain minimum Overall and Psychology GPAs of 2.0 in order to retain the major in Psychology: Developmental Concentration. Students are required to earn a grade of C or higher in Introduction to Psychology (PSYC 105) in order to take all other Psychology courses. Students are required to earn a grade of C or higher in Psychological Science I: Research Methods (PSYC 231) and Psychological Science II: Statistical Applications (PSYC 232) in order to progress in the program. Each course can only be repeated once. Students in the Developmental Concentration are required to earn a grade of B or higher in Developmental Psychology (PSYC 244) to be prepared for advanced developmental psychology courses.

Program Learning Outcomes

- Understand the biological, psychological, social, and cultural influences on human development. (UG2, UG9)
- Understand, critically evaluate, and apply the major theories of human development. (UG1, UG2)
- Understand and critically evaluate research findings and methods used to study human development. (UG2, UG3)
- Understand the implications of research and theory in developmental psychology for the purpose of providing service to individuals across the lifespan. (UG3, UG8, UG9)
- Provide the framework to understand and appreciate diversity within the context of life and society. (UG5, UG9)

Related Links

Psychology - Developmental, BS Program Page (<https://www.sru.edu/academics/majors-and-minors/psychology-developmental/>)

Professional Licensure/Certification Page (<https://www.sru.edu/students/student-consumer-information/professional-licensure/>)

Curriculum Guide

GPA Requirement

Major GPA: 2.0 or higher

Overall GPA: 2.0 or higher

Summary*

Code	Title	Hours
	Rock Studies 2 Requirements	42
	Other Basic Requirements	0-3
	Major Requirements	54-59
	Electives	24

* All undergraduate degree programs require a minimum of 120 credits. Some courses meet multiple requirements, but are only counted once toward the 120 credit total required to graduate.

Rock Studies 2 Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
The Rock		
SUBJ 139	Foundations of Academic Discovery ¹	3
ENGL 102	Critical Writing	3
ENGL 104	Critical Reading	3
STAT 152	Elementary Statistics I	3
Select one of the following:		3
COMM 200	Civil Discourse: Theory & Practice	
PHIL 110	Ethics and Civil Discourse	
POLS 235	Civil Discourse and Democracy	
Subtotal		15
Integrated Inquiry		
<i>Creative and Aesthetic Inquiry</i>		
Select 3 Credits (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
<i>Humanities Inquiry</i>		
Select 3 Credits (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
<i>Social Science Inquiry</i>		
Select 3 Credits (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
<i>Natural Sciences Inquiry</i>		
SCI 101	Science of Life	3
<i>Physical Science Inquiry</i>		
SCI 102	Understanding the Physical World	3
Subtotal		15
Thematic Thread		
Select 12 Credits (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/) ²		12
Total Hours		42

¹ Course offered in multiple subjects; cannot take course in first major subject.

² One course from each category; six credits must be 300-level or above; no more than 4 credits from one subject area; specific courses required in first major, regardless of prefix of course, cannot be used to satisfy thread requirements; any course with same prefix as first major cannot be used to satisfy thread requirements, even if it is not a course in the first major.

Basic Math Requirement

Check with your adviser or a current degree audit report to see if you have been exempted from this course. The credit earned in this course will not be counted toward the 120 credit hour minimum needed to earn a degree.

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one of the following:		0-3
Meet required minimum SAT or ACT math score OR		
ESAP 110	Beginning Algebra	
Total Hours		0-3

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION REQUIREMENT

Students must take and pass a course with the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) designation prior to graduation. Students can meet this

requirement by taking any DEI - designated course in any program at any time during their undergraduate career.

Major Requirements

- 28 major credits must be taken at SRU or PASSHE
- 28 major credits must be taken at the 300 level or above
- Overall, 48 credit hours must be completed at the 300 or 400 level
- Students who do not meet minimum standards will be dismissed from, the program. All dismissals are permanent.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses (Grade of 'C' or higher required) ¹		
Required Courses may only be repeated once.		
PSYC 105	Introduction to Psychology	3
PSYC 231	Psychological Science I: Research Methods	3
PSYC 232	Psychological Science II: Statistical Applications	3
PSYC 244	Developmental Psychology ²	3
PSYC 276	Introduction to Abnormal Psychology	3
PSYC 364	Child and Adolescent Development ^{3,4}	3
or PSYC 365	Psychology of Aging	
PSYC 375	Psychopathology of Adulthood	3
or PSYC 318	Psychopathology of Childhood and Adolescence	
Subtotal		21
Core Elective ¹		
Select three of the following:		9-11
PSYC 303	Learning	
or PSYC 475	Behavior Modification	
PSYC 311	Introduction to Behavioral Neuroscience	
PSYC 338	Cognitive Psychology	
PSYC 377	Social Psychology	
Subtotal		9-11
Diversity Elective ¹		
Select one of the following:		3
PSYC 240	Human Sexual Behavior	
PSYC 300	Psychology of Women, Gender and Culture	
PSYC 315	Psychology of Sexual and Gender Diversity	
PSYC 392	Cross Cultural Psychology	
Subtotal		3
Advanced Developmental Courses ¹		
Select three of the following:		9
PSYC 415	Multicultural Identity Development	
PSYC 428	Social and Emotional Development Across the Lifespan	
PSYC 435	Resilience Across the Lifespan	
PSYC 445	Infant and Child Cognition	
PSYC 477	Developmental Neuroscience	
Subtotal		9
Required Professional Competency ¹		
Select one of the following:		6-9
PSYC 450	Field Placement Internship in Psychology & PSYC 485	
PSYC 451	Research Capstone Internship (taken twice)	

Subtotal	6-9
Psychology Elective ¹	
Select two from the following:	6
Psychology Electives (p. 2)	
Total Hours	54-59

¹ Courses count for 50% of Major requirements and Major GPA

² Must earn a Grade of B or higher

* Some courses may require pre-requisites. Please see course descriptions to determine if there are any pre-requisites for that specific course.

Psychology Electives ¹

Code	Title	Hours
PSYC 205	Environmental Psychology	3
PSYC 208	Personality	3
PSYC 240	Human Sexual Behavior	3
PSYC 289	Positive Psychology	3
PSYC 300	Psychology of Women, Gender and Culture	3
PSYC 306	Introduction to Psychological Testing	3
PSYC 315	Psychology of Sexual and Gender Diversity	3
PSYC 318	Psychopathology of Childhood and Adolescence	3
PSYC 321	Drugs and Behavior	3
PSYC 334	Health Psychology	3
PSYC 360	History of Psychology	3
PSYC 364	Child and Adolescent Development	3
PSYC 365	Psychology of Aging	3
PSYC 375	Psychopathology of Adulthood	3
PSYC 392	Cross Cultural Psychology	3
PSYC 471	Psychopharmacology	3
PSYC 473	Hormones and Behavior	3
PSYC 476	Clinical Neuroscience	3

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Electives

Code	Title	Hours
PSYC 350	Contemporary Topics in Psychological Science (Course may be repeated for a total of 2 credits)	1

Writing Competency Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
	Writing in Psychology #1	
	Writing in Psychology #2	
	Writing in Psychology #3	
	Professional Competencies Paper	

Co-curricular and Experiential Learning

Students are encouraged to explore additional curricular and co-curricular opportunities. There is a strong correlation between long-term student success and participation in the following types of programs and activities:

1. International Study Programs
2. High-Impact Practice (HIP) designated classes
3. Student-faculty research
4. Student leadership (Psi Chi, Psychology Club, Reflections Body Image Organization, Nu Rho Psi, Neuro Rocks)
5. Service-learning classes
6. Career education planning (Office of Career Education and Development)
7. Internships
8. Volunteering in local human services and mental health agencies
9. Job shadowing

Important Curriculum Guide Notes

This Curriculum Guide is provided to help SRU students and prospective students better understand their intended major curriculum. Enrolled SRU students should note that the My Rock Audit may place already-earned and/or in progress courses in different, yet valid, curriculum categories. Enrolled SRU students should use the My Rock Audit Report and materials and information provided by their faculty advisers to ensure accurate progress towards degree completion. *The information on this guide is current as of the date listed. Students are responsible for curriculum requirements at the time of enrollment at the University.*

PASSHE - Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Institutions

PSYCHOLOGY - BS (6170)

Developmental (DEVE)

This program is effective as of Summer 2023

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Recommended Four-Year Plan

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Fall		
PSYC 105	Introduction to Psychology	3
ENGL 102	Critical Writing	3
ESAP 101	FYRST Seminar *	1
LIBR 110	Introduction to Library & Information Resources	1
SCI 101	Science of Life	3
SUBJ 139	Foundations of Academic Discovery ¹	3
STAT 152	Elementary Statistics I	3
Hours		17
Spring		
PSYC 231	Psychological Science I: Research Methods	3
PSYC 244	Developmental Psychology	3
ENGL 104	Critical Reading	3
Creative & Aesthetic Inquiry (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
Humanities Inquiry (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
Hours		15

Second Year

Fall

PSYC 232	Psychological Science II: Statistical Applications	3
PSYC 276	Introduction to Abnormal Psychology	3
SCI 102	Understanding the Physical World	3
Thematic Thread Requirement (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
Select one of the following:		3
PSYC Elective		
PSYC Diversity Elective		
Declare a Thematic Thread ³		
Hours		15

Spring

PSYC Developmental Core Elective # 1		3
Civil Discourse Requirement - select one		3
COMM 200	Civil Discourse: Theory & Practice	
PHIL 110	Ethics and Civil Discourse	
POLS 235	Civil Discourse and Democracy	
Social Science Inquiry OR Free Elective (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
Thematic Thread Requirement (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
Thematic Thread Requirement (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
Hours		15

Third Year

Fall

PSYC 364 or PSYC 365	Child and Adolescent Development or Psychology of Aging	3
PSYC Developmental Core Elective #2		3-4
PSYC Advanced Developmental Course #1		3
Thematic Thread Requirement or Computer Competency (if needed) (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
Select one of the following:		3
PSYC Elective		
PSYC Diversity Elective		
Hours		15-16

Spring

PSYC 318 or PSYC 375	Psychopathology of Childhood and Adolescence or Psychopathology of Adulthood	3
PSYC Developmental Core Elective #3		3
PSYC Developmental Core Elective # 2		
PSYC Advanced Developmental Course #2		3
Free Elective or Thematic Thread Requirement (if needed)		3
Free Elective		3
Hours		15

Fourth Year

Fall

PSYC Elective #2		3
PSYC Advanced Developmental Course #3		3
Free Elective		3

PSYC Professional Competency (or Free Elective)	3
PSYC 451 Research Capstone Internship	3
Hours	15
Spring	
Select One of the Following	3-9
PSYC 451 OR	
PSYC 450 AND PSYC 485	
Free Elective (If needed)	3
Free Elective (If needed)	3
Free Elective (If needed)	3
Free Elective (If needed)	3
Hours	15-21
Total Hours**	122-129

¹ Course offered in multiple subjects; cannot take course in first major subject.

² If enrolled in PSYC 450

³ Work with your Academic Adviser to declare a Thematic Thread by the end of your fall semester in your second year.

* Students are encouraged to take ESAP 101 as a Free Elective.

*** This document is meant to serve as a guide. Some planners may show more than 120 credits because faculty have created flexibility in choosing courses. However, only 120 credits are required to obtain a degree. Please consult with your academic adviser and refer to your curriculum guide prior to registering for courses. This plan should be reviewed, and verified, by you and your academic adviser at least once each academic year.*

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