

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PSYCHOLOGY (GRADUATE SCHOOL PREPARATION)

Web Site: <https://twu.edu/psychology-philosophy/>

The Graduate School Preparation Track in Psychology prepares students for graduate-level work in Psychology and other Social Sciences.

Through the inclusion of specific coursework and research team opportunities, this degree plan provides students the opportunity to gain key knowledge and skills necessary for success at the graduate level. Students must maintain a 3.0 GPA to remain on this degree plan. If GPA requirements are not met, students will be moved to the B.S. in Psychology degree plan.

Research Team is a recommended elective for students on the Graduate School Preparation Track. Students interested in Research Team can review faculty research interests on our website (<https://twu.edu/psychology-philosophy/faculty-and-staff/>). Students can email individual faculty to inquire about Research Team availability and application process.

Marketable Skills

Defined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's 60x30 Strategic Plan (<https://reportcenter.highered.texas.gov/agency-publication/miscellaneous/the60x30-strategic-plan/>) as, "Those skills valued by employers that can be applied in a variety of work settings, including interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skills areas. These skills can be either primary or complementary to a major and are acquired by students through education, including curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities."

1. Identify and utilize a variety of sources of information to solve problems; be able to apply different methods to collect and analyze data; apply analytical skills to summarize and draw findings from data.
2. Present ideas in a clear, organized fashion both in writing and oral communication. Develop coherent written and oral arguments.
3. Professional development skills, including project management and the ability to work in a team; ability to work collaboratively on complex projects; divide complex tasks down and monitor progress to completion; problem-solve effectively with group members when obstacles are encountered.

Admissions

All applicants must meet the general undergraduate admission requirements (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/admission-information/>).

The Application deadline for each semester is 5:00 p.m. the last day of finals as published on the Registrar's Calendar (<https://twu.edu/registrar/academic-calendars/>). Applications will be processed within three weeks of this deadline. Applications will not be accepted after the deadline and failure to meet this condition will require the applicant to wait until the next semester's processing-cycle for consideration. Please ensure your application has been submitted successfully by checking your TWU email for a confirmation of submission. If you have not received a confirmation email, please resubmit your application.

Additional admission requirements for the undergraduate psychology program are as follows:

1. completion of 45 semester credit hours,
2. completion of PSY 1013, PSY 1603, and PSY 2513 with a grade of C or higher; and PSY 2013 with a grade of B or higher.
3. consistent adherence to the Psychology Program Code of Professional Conduct policy (https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SPMhuY7FHv0PklrpFWZ-gxBaYct4NbInps_NoP59-D8/edit/?usp=sharing) and,
4. completion of the Psychology Major Application (<https://forms.gle/vMhVp2oA9tCFJUYj6/>).

Students will initially enter as pre-psychology majors. Acceptance into the Psychology program is contingent upon meeting departmental requirements. Many psychology courses require that students be a Psychology major prior to enrollment. Therefore, it is important that students complete the departmental admissions process as soon as admission requirements are met. Continued enrollment in the program is contingent upon completion of psychology and philosophy coursework with a C or higher and continued adherence to the Psychology Program Code of Professional Conduct policy (https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SPMhuY7FHv0PklrpFWZ-gxBaYct4NbInps_NoP59-D8/edit/?usp=sharing).

Students must maintain a 3.0 GPA for the Bachelor of Science in Psychology (Graduate School Preparation) degree plan. If GPA requirements are not met, students will be moved to the B.S. in Psychology degree plan.

Degree Requirements

Total Semester Credit Hours (SCH): 120

Major: 47 SCH

Program Code: PSYCH.BS.GRADSCHOOL **CIP Code:** 42.0101.00

Texas Core Curriculum

Code	Title	SCHs
ENG 1013	Composition I	3
ENG 1023	Composition II	3
Mathematics		3
Life & Physical Sciences		6
Language, Philosophy, & Culture		3
Creative Arts		3
HIST 1013	History of the United States, 1492-1865	3
HIST 1023	History of the United States, 1865 to the Present	3
POLS 2013	U.S. National Government	3
POLS 2023	Texas Government	3
Social & Behavioral Sciences		3
CAO: Women's Studies		3
CAO: First Year Seminar, Wellness or Mathematics		3
Total SCHs		42

Courses Required for Major

Code	Title	SCHs
PSY 1603	Developmental Psychology	3
PSY 2013	Professional Development in Psychology	3
PSY 2023	Social Psychology	3
PSY 2133	Physiological Psychology	3
PSY 2303	Applied Statistics	3
PSY 2513	Abnormal Psychology	3
PSY 3354	Experimental Psychology	4
PSY 3943	Psychological Tests and Measurements	3
PSY 4103	Cognitive Psychology	4
& PSY 4101	and Cognitive Psychology Laboratory	
PSY Electives (2000 level or higher)		3
PSY Electives (2000 level or higher) - Recommended		3
PSY 2061	Research Team I	
PSY 2071	Research Team II	
PSY 3061	Research Team III	
PSY Electives (3000 level or higher) - Recommended		3
PSY 3071	Research Team IV	
PSY 4061	Research Team V	
PSY 4071	Research Team VI	
PSY Elective (3000 level or higher)		9
Total SCHs		47

Departmental Requirements

Code	Title	SCHs
Select one of the following		3
PHIL 3053	Ethics	
PHIL 3073	Bioethics	
PHIL 3083	Ethics and Feminism	
Natural Science w/Lab for Major (see advisor)		4
PHIL 2033	Logic and Critical Thinking (may be applied from core)	3
PSY 1013	Introduction to General Psychology (may be applied from core)	3
WS 3733	Psychology of Women (may be applied from core)	3
or PSY 3733	Psychology of Women	
Electives		18
Total SCHs		34

Recommended Plan of Study

First Year			
Fall		TCCN	SCHs
PSY 1013	Introduction to General Psychology	PSYC 2301	3
ENG 1013	Composition I	ENGL 1301	3
HIST 1013	History of the United States, 1492-1865	HIST 1301	3
UNIV 1231	Learning Frameworks: First-Year Seminar	EDUC 1100, EDUC 1200, EDUC 1300	1
Life/Physical Science Core (Recommended - BIOL 1033)			3

CAO: Wellness or Mathematics			
SCHs			2
Spring		TCCN	15
ENG 1023	Composition II	ENGL 1302	3
PSY 1603	Developmental Psychology	PSYC 2314	3
PSY 2513	Abnormal Psychology	PSYC 2320	3
Life/Physical Science Core (Recommended - BIOL 1013)			3
Mathematics Core (Recommended - MATH 1703)			3
Second Year			15
Fall		TCCN	
PSY 2013	Professional Development in Psychology		3
HIST 1023	History of the United States, 1865 to the Present	HIST 1302	3
POLS 2013	U.S. National Government	GOVT 2305	3
PHIL 2033	Logic and Critical Thinking	PHIL 2303	3
Natural Science w/Lab for Major (see advisor)			4
PSY Electives (2000 level or higher) (Recommended - PSY 2061)			1
Third Year			17
Spring		TCCN	
POLS 2023	Texas Government	GOVT 2306	3
PSY 2023	Social Psychology	PSYC 2319	3
PSY 2303	Applied Statistics	PSYC 2317	3
PSY Electives (2000 level or higher) (Recommended - PSY 2071)			1
Elective			3
Creative Arts Core			3
Fourth Year			16
Fall		TCCN	
PSY 2133	Physiological Psychology	PSYC 2330	3
PSY 3354	Experimental Psychology		4
PSY 3733	Psychology of Women		3
or WS 3733	or Psychology of Women		
PSY Electives (2000 level or higher) (Recommended - PSY 3061)			1
Elective			3
Spring		TCCN	14
Psychology Elective (3000 level or above)			3
Elective			3
Elective			3
PSY Electives (3000 level or higher) (Recommended - PSY 3071)			1
PSY Elective (3000 level or higher)			3
Fourth Year			13
Fall		TCCN	
Psychology Elective (3000 level or above)			3
Psychology Elective (3000 level or above)			3

PSY Electives (2000 level or higher)		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
PSY Electives (3000 level or higher) (Recommended - PSY 4061)		1
SCHs		16
Spring	TCCN	
Select one of the following		3
PHIL 3053 Ethics		
PHIL 3073 Bioethics		
PHIL 3083 Ethics and Feminism		
PSY 3943	Psychological Tests and Measurements	3
PSY 4103 & PSY 4101	Cognitive Psychology and Cognitive Psychology Laboratory	4
PSY Electives (3000 level or higher) (Recommended - PSY 4071)		1
Elective		3
SCHs		14
Total SCHs:		120

Note: The 3 SCH Global Perspectives graduation requirement must be obtained through core courses, PSY 4183, or elective. Must meet 36 advanced semester credit hour requirement.