

PSYCHOLOGY

School of Education • Department of Psychology

Degrees Available at SIUE

- Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science

Why Psychology?

Psychologists study the human mind and human behavior. Psychology is one of the most popular undergraduate majors across the country. A psychology degree offers an enormous variety of career paths. The ability of psychologists to have a solid understanding of what makes people do certain things is a marketable tool. Professionals in this field make a difference in people's lives, making it a rewarding career. By combining humanities and science and emphasizing research, the field of psychology educates and resolves many complications of human behavior.

Psychology at SIUE

At SIUE, we offer a wide and varied range of classes at the undergraduate level in the major topical areas of psychology including developmental, cognitive, social, biological, clinical, personality and industrial/organizational. Our students gain a strong foundation in research methodology and statistics. Students begin their coursework with a careers in psychology course, specially designed to introduce students to the field. The capstone in psychology course serves as the culminating experience for students during their senior year.

Students receive extensive experience in critical thinking, research design, data analysis and presentation of research results in written and oral form.

High school students are encouraged to develop a strong background in math (at least through algebra), science (especially biology), writing and computer use as preparation for the psychology program.

Career Outlook

Students obtaining an undergraduate degree in psychology will find themselves well prepared to pursue a variety of jobs for which there is a growing demand including personnel officers, laboratory technicians, sales or public relations specialists, customer services, suicide prevention workers, mental health or corrections workers, juvenile and youth services, substance abuse services, statisticians and research analysts, and a variety of social services. Many SIUE students go on to earn graduate degrees in psychology and pursue careers in applied or research settings.

How to Apply

No application. Students declare through SIUE's General Advising Office.

Admission Requirements

To be admitted into the psychology program, students must:

1. Complete all Academic Development courses required by the University.
2. Complete any required courses to address high school deficiencies.
3. Obtain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.25 at SIUE or the institution from which the student transferred.

Graduation Requirements

The senior assignment is required of all senior psychology majors. Details may be obtained from the psychology advisor.

Faculty

Lynn E. Bartels, Ph.D.

1991, University of Akron

Danice L. Brown, Ph.D.

2008, Ohio State University

Catherine S. Daus, Ph.D.

1994, Purdue University

Michael G. Dudley, Ph.D.

2005, University of Kentucky

Gregory E. Everett, Ph.D.

2005, University of Southern Mississippi

Eva D. Ferguson, Ph.D.

1956, Northwestern University

Stephen D.A. Hupp, Ph.D.

2002, Louisiana State University

Jeremy D. Jewell, Ph.D.

2001, University of Texas - Austin

Elizabeth L. W. McKenney, Ph.D.

2010, University of Florida

J. Thaddeus Meeks, Ph.D.

2009, University of Georgia

Elizabeth J. Meinz, Ph.D.

1998, Georgia Institute of Technology

Joel T. Nadler, Ph.D.

2010, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Cynthia R. Nordstrom, Ph.D.

1991, Akron University

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2002, University of Southern Mississippi

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2004, Saint Louis University

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2000, University of South Carolina

Andrew M. Pomerantz, Ph.D.

1996, Saint Louis University

Paul Rose (Chair), Ph.D.

2003, State University of New York - Buffalo

Christopher B. Rosnick, Ph.D.

2005, University of South Florida

Daniel J. Segrist, Ph.D.

2000, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

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1988, University of Missouri - Columbia

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Sample Four-Year Curriculum - BS

	FALL	SPRING
YEAR 1	PSYC 111 Foundations of Psychology** (3) CMIS 108 Computer Concepts or STAT 107 Concepts of Statistics (3) ENG 101 English Composition I (3) SPC 103 or 105 Speech Communication (3) (BS only) Foreign Language 101 (4) (BA only) Introductory Fine Arts & Humanities (3) Total hours 15-16	PSYC 200 Careers in Psychology** (3) ENG 102 English Composition II (3) PHIL 106 Critical Thinking or MATH 106 Deduct Reasoning & Problem Solving (3) (BS only) Foreign Language 102 (IC) (4) (BA only) Introductory Natural Sciences & Mathematics (3) Introductory Social Sciences (3) Total hours 15-16
YEAR 2	PSYC 201, 203, or 204** (Developmental PSYC course) (3) PSYC 220 Research Design & Statistics I** + (3) Distribution Fine Arts & Humanities (3) Introductory General Education (3) Introductory General Education (3) Total hours 15	PSYC 206 Social Psychology** (3) PSYC 221 Research Design & Statistics II** + (3) Distribution Natural Sciences & Mathematics (3) Minor (3) Elective (3) Total hours 15
YEAR 3	PSYC 208 Cognitive Psychology** (3) PSYC Elective (300-400 level)** (3) Distribution Social Sciences (3) Intergroup Relations (IGR)* (3) Minor (3) Total hours 15	PSYC Elective (300-400 level)** (3) Interdisciplinary Studies (IS) (3) Minor (3) Minor (3) Elective (3) Total hours 15
YEAR 4	PSYC Elective (400 level)** (3) PSYC Elective (400 level)** (3) International Issues/International Culture (II/IC)* (3) Minor (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Total hours 18	PSYC 494 Capstone Seminar in Psychology** + (3) Minor (3) Minor (3) Elective (3) Elective (4) Total hours 16

* Course taken to fulfill this requirement may also satisfy another General Education requirement. Refer to the SIUE Undergraduate Catalog for a list of approved courses.

** All Psychology courses require a grade of C or better to count towards major requirements.

+ Courses may not be transferred in to satisfy SIUE Psychology requirements. Please refer to Psychology Undergraduate Handbook.

TRANSFER STUDENTS Maximize your transfer experience - complete the **bolded** courses/requirements pre-transfer **AND** satisfy the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) General Ed Core or receive an AA, AS, or AAT (early childhood, special ed, or math) degree from an IAI community college. If 'Minor' requirements are shown, discuss careful course selection with the academic advising contact listed. Transfer Credit Equivalency Guides are located at siue.edu/transfer

BA requires two semesters of same foreign language.



Application Deadline

There is no deadline; however, students must have established a GPA of at least 2.25 at SIUE.

Psychology Programs at SIUE

Undergraduate programs:

- Psychology

Graduate programs:

- Clinical Adult Psychology
- Clinical Child and School Psychology
- Industrial/Organizational Psychology
- Specialist Degree, School Psychology

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