



**Medgar Evers College**

**The Department of Psychology**

**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS & DEGREE MAP**



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## Overview of the BA in Psychology

The department of psychology offers a Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree in Psychology, which provides training in the study of human behavior and mental processes. It is designed for students preparing for careers in psychology, health care, education, urban affairs, government, research, and industry. Psychologists study the physical, cognitive, emotional, and social aspects of human behavior. From among the course offerings, students are encouraged to take a broad sample, but may also choose to take more than one course within a specialty area. The degree also enables students to pursue graduate education in such areas of psychology:

- clinical,
- personality,
- gender,
- sports,
- community,
- counseling,
- developmental,
- educational,
- school,
- sensory/perceptual,
- biological,
- health,
- cognitive,
- quantitative,
- environmental,
- forensic,
- social, and
- industrial/organizational.

Professionally oriented courses, research practicums, clinical internships, and service-learning experiences provide numerous mentoring opportunities. The Department particularly also seeks to implement the College's mission by addressing minority and diversity issues.

### Academic Standards

A student must have an index or GPA of at least 2.0 in the major for graduation.

### College Catalog

You can find the College Catalog here: <https://mec.catalog.cuny.edu/programs/PSYC-BA>

**BA In Psychology: Degree Requirements**

**Fixed and Required Core**

Course	Course Title	Credits
<b>FIXED/REQUIRED CORE</b>		
<b>English Composition</b>		
ENGL 112	College Composition I	3
ENGL 150	College Composition II	3
<b>Mathematics and Quantitative Reasoning</b>		
MTH 115 (Recommended Math Course: MTH 136 Algebra/Trigonometry)	Nature of Mathematics	3
<b>Life and Physical Sciences</b>		
BIO 101 OR PHS 101	Introduction to the Science of Biology OR Introduction to Physical Science	3
Total		12
<b>FLEXIBLE CORE</b>		
<i>World Cultures and Global Issues</i>		
ENGL 212	World Literature: The Evolving Canon	3
<i>U.S. Experience in its Diversity</i>		
HIST 200	The Growth and the Development of the U.S.	3
<i>Creative Expressions</i>		
ART 100	Introduction to World Art	3
MUS 100	Introduction to World Music	3
<i>Individual and Society</i>		
SSC 101	Culture, Society, and Social Change	3
<i>Scientific World</i>		
BIO 211	Biotechnology & Society	3
Total		18
<b>COLLEGE OPTION</b>		
Electives from College Option		12
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>12</b>

## **Major Requirements**

Course #	Course Name	Credits
<b>FIXED/REQUIRED CORE</b>		
FS 101	Freshman Seminar I	1
FS 102	Freshman Seminar II	1
PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
PHIL 101	Introduction to Logic	3
SPCH 102	Fundamentals of Speech	3
<b>THE SOCIAL SCIENCE CORE (15 credits)</b>		
ANTH 201	The Nature of Culture	3
ECON 212	Macroeconomics	3
POL 101	Introduction to Political Science	3
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
SSC 305	Critical Issues in Society	3
<b>PSYCHOLOGY REQUIRED COURSES (16 credits)*</b>		
PSYC 209 (Pre-requisites: ENGL 150 and MTH 136 or MTH 138, PSYC 101 or PSYC 150)	Human Development: Infancy & Childhood	3
PSYC 213 (Pre-requisites: ENGL 150 and PSYC 101 or PSYC 150)	Social Psychology	3
PSYC 215 (Pre-requisites: ENGL 150 and PSYC 101 or PSYC 150)	Theories of Personality	3
PSYC 290 (Pre-requisites: MTH 136 or MTH 138 and ENGL 150)	Psychology Statistics	3
PSYC 322 (Pre-requisite: PSYC 290)	Experimental Psychology	4
<b>FREE ELECTIVES</b>		18
<b>PSYCHOLOGY ELECTIVES: 18 CREDITS FROM BELOW</b>		18
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		120
PSYC 202	Careers in Psychology*	3
PSYC 224	Brain and Behavior	3
PSYC 260	Independent Study	3
PSYC 300	The Psychology of Women	3
PSYC 301	Abnormal Psychology	3
PSYC 305	Theories of Learning	3
PSYC 306	Introduction to Cognitive Psychology	3
PSYC 310	Human Development: Adolescence	3
PSYC 311	Human Development: Adult & Aging	3
PSYC 320	Psychology of Intervention	3
PSYC 321	Sensation and Perception	3
PSYC 323	Research Practicum I	3

PSYC 325	Industrial & Organizational Psychology	3
PSYC 326	Cross Cultural Psychology	3
PSYC 328	Fundamentals of Psychology in the African Diaspora	3
PSYC 403	Psychology of Oppression	3
PSYC 404	Psychology of Motivation	3
PSYC 405	Techniques of Psychotherapy and Counseling	3
PSYC 406	Psychological Tests & Measurements	3
PSYC 410	Psychology and the Law*	3
PSYC 420	Diagnosis, Assessment & Evaluation	3
PSYC 421	Sport Psychology	3
PSYC 425	Qualitative Research	3
PSYC 427	Psychology of Social Change	3
PSYC 430	Clinical Practicum I	3
PSYC 431	Clinical Practicum II	3
PSYC 440	Senior Thesis	3
PSYC 441	Senior Thesis	3

## **BA In Psychology: 8-Semester Course Degree Map**

*Developmental Education Coursework Completed During the Prior Intersession*

### **Semester 1 (15 Credits)**

- ENG 112- College Composition I
- MTH 136- Algebra/Trigonometry
- ART 100- Introduction to World Art
- SSC 101- Culture, Society, and Social Change
- LIB 100- Library Research Methods
- FS 101- Freshman Seminar I

*Take a class during Intersession If Below 15 Credits*

### **Semester 2 (15 Credits)**

- ENG 150- College Composition II
- BIO 101- Introduction to the Science of Biology (or PHS 101- Introduction to Physical Science)
- MUS 100- Intro. To World Music
- **PSY101- Introduction to Psychology**
- HIST 101- World Civilization

*Take a class during Intersession If Below 15 Credits*

### **Semester 3 (15 Credits)**

- ENGL 212- World Literature
- HIST 200- The Growth and the Development of the U. S.
- PHIL 101- Intro. To Logic
- **PSYC 209- Human Development: Infancy & Childhood**
- **PSYC 213- Social Psychology**

*Take a class during Intersession If Below 15 Credits*

### **Semester 4 (15 Credits)**

- BIO 211- Biotechnology & Society
- **PSYC 215- Theories of Personality**
- **PSYC 301- Abnormal Psychology or other Psych. 300-level elective**
- POL 101- Introduction to Political Science
- SOC 101- Introduction to Sociology

*Take a class during Intersession If Below 15 Credits*

### **Semester 5 (15 Credits)**

- Foreign Language I or Social-Cultural Course (*ART 200 or ART 201 or ENGL 214 or ENGL 319 or ENGL 320 or ENGL 325 or ENGL 326 or ENGL 328 or ENGL 331 or ENGL 360 or ECON 330 or MASS 273 or PSYC 300 or SOC 209 or SOC 211 or SOC 202 or SOC 302 or SOC 300 or SSC 306*) [College Option]
- **PSYC 290- Psychology Statistics**
- HIST 300 - Women Leaders in Civil Rights (or ECON 430- War on Drugs or MASS 473- Hip Hop: Political, Historical, Social [College Option])
- Psychology Elective (One must be at the 400-level.)
- Open Elective

*Take a class during Intersession If Below 15 Credits*

**Semester 6 (15 Credits)**

- Foreign Language II or Integrative Knowledge Course (*ENGL 333 or ENGL 363 or ENGL 370 or REL 301 or REL 402*) [College Option]
- SSC 305- Critical Issues in Society
- **Psychology Elective**
- **PSYC 322- Experimental Psychology (4 credits)**
- Open Elective (1 Credit) – Recommended EDUC 110- Health, Safety Fitness for Teacher
- FS 102- Freshman Seminar II

*Take a class during Intersession If Below 15 Credits*

**Semester 7 (15 Credits)**

- **Psychology Elective**
- SPCH 102- Fundamentals of Speech
- ANTH 201-The Nature of Culture
- ECON 212- Macroeconomics
- Open Elective

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**Semester 8 (15 Credits)**

- **Psychology Elective**
- **Psychology Elective**
- ENVS 200- Environmental Science [College Option]
- Open Elective
- Open Elective

*Notes: This four-year curriculum map should be used as a guide. Students must meet with their Advisor on a regular basis to discuss their degree progress and review their academic plan. Students should check the MEC website for the latest in degree requirements. Students who meet designated criteria can accelerate progress by taking winter or summer courses.*

*\*At the associate level, PSYC 301 is highly recommended as a substitute for PSYC 224. Official substitution approval will be provided by the Psychology Department. Students who take PSYC 301 at the associate level rather than PSYC 224 will free up space for an Open Psychology Elective at the bachelor's level.*

*College Option Courses: The above sequence includes 12 College Option credits. For students who earn an associate degree, only six College Option credits are required. Six of the College Option credits above can be converted into Open Elective credits.*

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