

FAU FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY	NEW/CHANGE PROGRAM REQUEST Undergraduate Programs		UUPC Approval <u>9/8/25</u> UFS Approval _____ Banner _____ Catalog _____
	Department ^{NA} College <u>Honors College</u>		
Program Name Psychology Concentration		<input type="checkbox"/> New Program* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change Program*	Effective Date (TERM & YEAR) Spring 2026
<p>Please explain the requested change(s) and offer rationale below or on an attachment.</p> <p>Add PSB 4072 Honors Neurobiology of Mental Illness to the Psychology Concentration as an option for meeting the Group G: Seminars and Advanced Coursework in Psychology requirement</p> <p>This course involves advanced coursework in mental illness that will be very useful to students concentrating in psychology.</p>			
<p><small>*All new programs and changes to existing programs must be accompanied by a catalog entry showing the new or proposed changes.</small></p>			
Faculty Contact/Email/Phone Tracy Mincer/tmincer@fau.edu/6-8718		Consult and list departments that may be affected by the change(s) and attach documentation The psychology department brought this request to us.	
Approved by		Date	
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PSYCHOLOGY

Students must earn a "B-" or better in PSY 1012.

Students must earn a "C" or better in each course taken to fulfill all other concentration requirements.

Program Overview:

The Psychology concentration provides students with a background in the science of mind and behavior and an understanding of how empirical methods are used to study human cognitive, behavioral, motivational, social, and emotional processes. Requirements for the concentration include introductory and survey courses, specialized seminars, laboratories, and a research thesis. Psychology is intrinsically interdisciplinary, as the field lies at the nexus of the biological and social sciences. Consequently, students concentrating in psychology benefit from coursework taken outside of the field. Students interested in pursuing graduate study in psychology should work closely with a member of the psychology advisory board to insure a sufficient preparation. Our undergraduate concentration is broad and research-based in order to best prepare our students for entry into this competitive field.

Advisory Board

[Dr. Julie Earles](#) | [Dr. Kevin Lanning](#)

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Available options:

Concentration in psychology; [Minor in psychology](#)

[Alternative Requirements for students entering prior to Summer 2021](#)

[Psychology Advising Worksheet](#)

CONCENTRATION

A. FOUNDATIONS IN PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE (7 CREDITS)

Course #	Course Name
PSY 1012 *	Honors General Psychology
PSY 3213, 3213L **	RI: Honors Research Methods in Psychology/Lab

**Note: Students must earn a "B-" or better in PSY 1012.*

***Note: PSY 3213 and PSY 3213L must be taken concurrently and should be taken in the sophomore or junior year. The only prerequisite for these courses is PSY 1012.*

B. FOUNDATIONS IN BIOLOGY AND NEUROSCIENCE (7-8 CREDITS)

Required:

Course #	Course Name
BSC 1010, 1010L	Honors Biological Principles/Lab

Electives:

One of more of the following:

Course #	Course Name
BSC 2084	Honors Essentials of Anatomy and Physiology
BSC 4930	Honors Variable Titles
PSB 3340	Honors Behavioral Neuroscience
PSB 3441	Honors Drugs and Behavior
PCB 3703, 3703L, or BSC 2085, 2085L	Honors Human Morphology and Function 1/Lab or Honors Anatomy and Physiology 1/Lab
PCB 3063	Honors Genetics
ZOO 4742	Honors Human Neuroanatomy
PSB 4243	Honors Neuroscience of Addiction

Note: Students in the Max Planck Honors Program may count Introduction to Neuroscience Research (PSB 4003, 1 credit) and two distinct MPHP Enrichment courses (1 credit each) as their 3 credit, Group A elective.

C. FOUNDATIONS IN MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCE (6-7 CREDITS)

Required:

Course #	Course Name
STA 2023	Honors Introductory Statistics

Electives:

One or more of the following:

Course #	Course Name
STA 3164	Honors Intermediate Statistics
MAC 2311	Honors Calculus
PSY 4302, 4302L	Honors Psychometrics/Lab
COP 3076	Honors Introduction to Data Science
COP 2000	Honors Foundations of Programming
ISS 4304	Honors Computational Social Science

D. SURVEYS OF PSYCHOLOGY AS A SOCIAL SCIENCE (6 CREDITS)

Two or more of the following:

Course #	Course Name
PPE 3003	Honors Personality
DEP 3053	Honors Psychology of Human Development
SOP 3004 *	Honors Principles of Social Psychology
<i>*Note: Unlike in the College of Science, in the Wilkes Honors College, the only prerequisite for SOP 3004 is PSY 1012.</i>	

E. SURVEYS OF PSYCHOLOGY AS A NATURAL SCIENCE (3 CREDITS)

One or more of the following:

Course #	Course Name
PSB 3441	Honors Drugs and Behavior
EXP 3604	Honors Cognition
PSB 3340	Honors Behavioral Neuroscience

F. SURVEYS OF PSYCHOLOGY AS A HEALTH SCIENCE (3 CREDITS)

One or more of the following:

Course #	Course Name
CLP 4143	Honors Psychopathology (Abnormal Psychology)
CLP 4314	Honors Health Psychology
PSY 4930	Honors Psychotherapy Systems

G. SEMINARS AND ADVANCED COURSEWORK IN PSYCHOLOGY (9 CREDITS)

Three or more of the following:

Course #	Course Name
PSY 4936	Honors Advanced Seminar in Psychology
ISS 4304	Honors Computational Social Science
EXP 4631	Honors Thinking and Decision- Making
EXP 3202	Honors Sensation and Perception
PCB 3411	Honors Animal Behavior
PSY 4930	Honors Evolutionary Psychology
DEP 4463C	Honors Lab in Cognitive Aging
DEP 4464	Honors Psychology of Aging
PSY 4604	Honors History and Systems of Psychology
ANT 4495	Honors Research Methods in Sociocultural Anthropology

Course #	Course Name
DEP 4095	Honors Personality and Social Development
POS 4206	Honors Political Psychology
PSY 4930	Honors Positive Psychology
PSY 4930	Honors Psychotherapy Systems
PSY 4930	Honors Variable Titles
PSY 4915	Honors Directed Independent Research in Psychology
PSB 4072	Honors Neurobiology of Mental Illness

Note: In lieu of three classes from Group G, students may take two classes from G and one additional class from Group D, E, or F.

H. ADVANCED WRITING AND THE HONORS THESIS (7 CREDITS)

Course #	Course Name
PSY 4933	Honors Advanced Writing in Psychology (or) Honors Interdisciplinary Science and Math Seminar (or)
ISC 3933	Honors Writing in the Social Sciences 1
ISS 2932	
IDS 4970	RI: Honors Thesis
Total Credits	

Notes: Students must earn at least a B- in PSY 1012 and a C in all other courses for these to count towards the psychology concentration.

At least five psychology courses in Groups C - G must be taken at the Honors College.

Interdisciplinary courses (prefixes IDS, ISS, etc.) may be substituted for coursework in psychology with the permission of a member of the psychology advisory board and an approved petition for a course substitution.

A course used to fulfill one psychology concentration requirement may not also be used to fulfill another psychology concentration requirement.

Students are reminded they need 42 upper-level (3000 or 4000-level) credits to graduate.