

BA 2019 4 Year Planner

Psychology Department

San José State University

Psychology BA 2019

Beginning Fall 2019, Psychology BA 2019 requirements replace the BA 2007 requirements for incoming first year students.

4 Year Planner Overview

This planner contains an **overview of the BA 2019 degree requirements**, and a **sample 4 Year Planner**

The overview of the BA 2019 degree requirements illustrates

- The courses you need to take to fulfill the Psychology BA degree.
 - The [psychology course catalog lists](#) all psychology courses and their prerequisites.
 - The [psychology syllabus archive](#) can give you more detailed information about course content, expectations, and so forth.
- The *general* sequence in which courses should be taken, but note that there are many paths you can take to completing your degree.
 - PSYC 1 is a prerequisite for upper division psychology courses (course # 100 or above)
 - STAT 95, PSYC 18, and/or BIOL 21/65 are prerequisites for some upper division courses.
 - PSYC 100W is required for PSYC 118. PSYC 118 is a pre/corequisite for PSYC 190. We recommend that these courses be taken in separate semesters. See psychology advisers for additional details

The sample 4 Year Planner

- Is an advising tool that outlines **one sample path** of courses a student can take to complete requirements for graduation, but there are many paths one can take to complete our psychology degree.
- This planner should be used in consultation with the catalog and your department advisers to identify additional requirements for completing the major.

Making Timely Progress to Your Degree

There are many resources at SJSU to help guide you to making timely progress to your degree. A few of these resources are:

- [ACCESS Center advisers](#). The *Academic Counseling Center for Excellence in the Social Sciences* (ACCESS) provides General Education advising for undergraduate students majoring in any of the departments in the College of Social Sciences (CoSS). ACCESS advisers can assist you with Academic Planning, Graduation Planning, Mandatory Freshman Advising, Probation Advising
- [Psychology major advisers](#). Psychology major advisers can provide detailed guidance on how to make timely progress to your psychology degree, help you with psychology-related minors, career advice, and also provide general advising.
- Become comfortable using [MyProgress](#), [MyPlanner](#), and [MyScheduler](#).
- In addition to using the tools above, see both ACCESS and Psychology advisers periodically or as needed during your stay at SJSU.

Lower Division Courses

PSYC 001 Introduction to Psychology

STAT 95 Elementary Statistics*

Prerequisite: Math Enrollment Category M-I or M-II, or completion of a GE Area B4 course with a grade of C- or better.

BIOL 21/65 Human Biology (with lab)

RED ARROWS indicate prerequisite/corequisite course sequences.
Example: PSYC 001 and STAT 95 are prerequisites for PSYC 18

* PSYC 001 is a prerequisite to upper division coursework except for STAT 115, PSYC 117

PSYC 018 Introduction to Research Methods

Prerequisites: PSYC 001, STAT 95

* Successful completion of the [SJSU Statway](#) sequence is also accepted

PSYC 030 Introductory Psychobiology

Prerequisites: BIOL 21 or BIOL 65

Upper Division Courses

PSYC 100W Writing Workshop

Partial List of Prerequisites

Psychology Majors/Minors, Behavioral Science Majors only.
PSYC 1; STAT 95 or senior standing.
Satisfaction of Writing Skills Test, Upper Division Standing
See [Course Catalog](#) for full list of prerequisites

Developmental (Take 1)

PSYC 102 Psychology of Childhood
PSYC 112 Psychology of Adolescence
PSYC 114 Psychology of Aging

Assessment (Take 1)

PSYC 117 Tests and Measures
Prerequisite: STAT 95 or equivalent

STAT 115 Intermediate Stat
Prerequisite: STAT 95 or equivalent

Notes

This handout is a general guide to the Psychology BA, starting Fall 2019.

It is important to meet with a [Psychology Major Advisor](#) for additional important, detailed guidance.

See the course descriptions in the [course catalog](#) for a full list of courses and their prerequisites.

It is recommended that 100W, 118, and 190/195 be taken in different, consecutive semesters.

There is flexibility in when you take other upper division courses, but see an advisor and/or our [advising resources](#) for suggested sequences

PSYC 118 Advanced Research Methods

Prerequisites

Psychology or Behavioral Science majors only.
STAT 95, PSYC 18, PSYC 100W with a "C" or better (or departmental approval)
Lower division GE complete
Upper division standing

Psychopathology (Take 1)

PSYC 110 Adult Psychopathology
PSYC 142 Child Psychopathology

Social & Personality (Take 1)

PSYC 139 Personality
PSYC 154 Social Psychology

Psychology Electives (Take 3)

upper or lower division (3 units)
upper division (3 units)
upper division (3 units)
See [Course Catalog](#) for full list of electives & their prerequisites

Capstone (Take 1)

PSYC 190 Current Issues Capstone

Prerequisite: PSYC 100W and senior standing
Co/Prerequisite: PSYC 118 or PSYC 120

PSYC 195 Honors Seminar

Prerequisite: at least 18 units of PSYC/STAT, PSYC 100W, PSYC 118 or PSYC 120, overall PSYC/STAT GPA of 3.5, Senior Standing

Cognition, Brain, & Behavior (Take 2)

PSYC 135 Cognition
PSYC 155 Learning
PSYC 158 Perception
PSYC 129 Neuroscience

Prerequisites for 129: PSYC 30 & 3 BIO units OR 9 BIO units

SAMPLE 4 YEAR SCHEDULE

The following road map is an advising tool that outlines one path of courses a student can take to complete requirements for graduation. This roadmap should be used in consultation with the catalog and your department to identify additional requirements for completing the major.

Psychology links: [Department Homepage](#), [Advising](#), [Advising Hours](#), [Course Catalog](#), [Syllabi Archives](#),

Other useful links: [ACCESS Advising](#), [CORE GE Requirements](#), [SJSU Studies Requirements](#)

Year 1, Fall Semester		Year 1, Spring Semester	
Course or Requirement	Units	Course or Requirement	Units
PSYC 1 (GE Area D1)	3	BIOL 21 or BIOL 65 (GE Area B2+B3)	3
GE Area A1	3	STAT 95 (GE Area B4)	3
GE Area A2	3	GE Area A3	3
GE Area D2 (AFAM 2A, AAS 33A, MAS 10A, Hist 15A)	3	GE Area D3, US1,2,3 (AFAM 2B, AAS 33B, MAS 10B, POLS 15B)	3
GE Area E	3	GE Area C1	3
		PE	1
Total Semester Units:	15	Total Semester Units:	16
Year 2, Fall Semester		Year 2, Spring Semester	
Course or Requirement	Units	Course or Requirement	Units
PSYC 18	3	PSYC 102, 112, or 114	3
PSYC 30	3	PSYC 110, or 142	3
GE B1	3	GE C1 or C2	3
GE C2	3	University Elective	3
University Elective	3	University Elective	3
PE	1		
Total Semester Units:	16	Total Semester Units:	15
Year 3, Fall Semester		Year 3, Spring Semester	
Course or Requirement	Units	Course or Requirement	Units
PSYC 100W (SJSU Studies Area Z)	3	PSYC 118	3
PSYC 139 or 154	3	PSYC 117 or STAT 115	3
PSYC 135, 155, 158, or 129 Choose 1, will eventually take 2 total	3	PSYC 135, 155, 158, or 129 Choose 1, will eventually take 2 total	3
University Elective	3	SJSU Studies Area S	3
University Elective	3	University Elective	3
		PSYC 118	3
Total Semester Units:	15	Total Semester Units:	15
File for graduation via MyAcademics (MySJSU) by mid-March in your third year for priority registration			
Year 4, Fall Semester		Year 4, Spring Semester	
Course or Requirement	Units	Course or Requirement	Units
Psychology Elective (Upper Division)	3	PSYC 190 or 195	3
Psychology Elective (Lower or Upper Division)	3		
SJSU Studies Area V	3	Psychology Elective (Upper Division)	3
University Elective	3	SJSU Studies Area R	3
University Elective	3	University Elective	3
		University Elective	1
Total Semester Units:	15	Total Semester Units:	13
Check your email for commencement information (there are separate ceremonies for Fall and Spring graduates)			