

APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR

Faculty

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Major Description

The Applied Psychology major provides students with theoretical knowledge and practical skills to manage people in a variety of occupational settings and fields. The major also provides foundational knowledge for students pursuing further graduate studies.

Learning Outcomes

The Applied Psychology major equips students to:

- Recognize important major historical events, key, and theoretical perspectives in psychology, and link their trends in the field
- Examine theories to explain mental processes and predict behavior, and evaluate advantages and limitations within selected frameworks
- Illustrate how psychological principles explain social issues, inform public policy, and address societal needs
- Interpret behavior and mental processes at appropriate level of complexity
- Develop appropriate problem solving strategies and interventions in applied setting such as schools, community, government, and businesses
- Evaluate information based on the reliability, validity, and generalizability of sources
- Explain how individual differences, social identity, and worldview may influence beliefs, values, and interaction with others
- Implement legal, ethical, and Christian-based principles within the field of psychology
- Demonstrate the values that will contribute to positive outcomes in workplace settings and in building a society responsive to multicultural global concerns
- Demonstrate clear, concise written and oral communication skills
- Develop interpersonal skills with diverse individuals including clients, co-workers, and supervisors

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Important Notes

- No major program courses may be exempted or taken at another college.
- Blocks A, B and C may be completed in any order. Block D must always be the final block.

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Block A		
LDB301	Academic and Interpersonal Effectiveness	3
HSC315	Applied Psychology	3
HSC345	Applied Social Psychology	3

HSC350A	HS Field Experience/Introduction	0.5
ORL326	Organiz Behavior and Development	3
Block B		
HSC320	Life Span Development	3
HSC321	Psychological Disorders	3
HSC327	Psych Test and Measurement	3
HSC350B	HS Field Experience/Prof Dev	0.5
HSC331	Brain Development, Dynamics and Disabilities	3
Block C		
LDB481	Faith and Life Issues	3
HSC365	Cultural Competence: Divergence of Deviance	3
HSC392	Research Design and Analysis	3
HSC430	Statistical Theories and Applications	3
Block D		
HSC420	Applied Positive Psychology	3
HSC492	Integrated Learning Capstone for Human Sciences	3
HSC350C	HS Field Experience/Conclusion	3
Total Hours		46

Second Major or Advanced Certificate in Applied Psychology

Important Notes

- This 2nd major is for students who have earned/are pursuing a major among business programs in the Division of Professional Studies.
- Students majoring in Applied Psychology may not earn an advanced certificate in the same area.
- No major program courses may be exempted or taken at another college.
- Students do not need to take HSC350* Field Experience courses or HSC492 Integrated Learning Capstone for Human Sciences (3 c.h.) for an advanced certificate.
- A second major requires 28 credits; a certificate requires 21 credits.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Core Requirements		
HSC315	Applied Psychology	3
HSC320	Life Span Development	3
HSC327	Psych Test and Measurement	3
HSC345	Applied Social Psychology	3
HSC350A	HS Field Experience/Introduction	0-0.5
HSC350B	HS Field Experience/Prof Dev	0-0.5
HSC350C	HS Field Experience/Conclusion	0-3
HSC365	Cultural Competence: Divergence of Deviance	3
HSC420	Applied Positive Psychology	3
HSC492	Integrated Learning Capstone for Human Sciences	0-3
ORL326	Organiz Behavior and Development	3
Total Hours		21-28