Department of Psychological Sciences

Preparing students to understand, explore, and apply psychological science.

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Psychology is the Scientific Study of Mind, Brain, and Behavior.

The major in Psychological Science requires a minimum of 37 credit hours and leads to a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree. A minor or second major is required.

Students who seek the major in Psychological Science acquire core knowledge in psychology and have the opportunity to study a focused area of psychology by selecting one of seven concentrations.

Psychological Sciences at WKU
Award – winning faculty
State-of-the-art facilities
Research opportunities
Variety of courses
Excellent advising

Psychology Core

**Foundations of Psychology**
PSYS 100 (Introductory Psychology)
PSYS 220 (Lifespan Developmental Psychology)
PSYS 333 (Cognitive Psychology) **OR**
PSYS 331 (Psychology of Learning)
PSYS 350 (Social Psychology) **OR**
PSYS 440 (Abnormal Psychology)
PSYS 360 (Behavioral Neuroscience) or
PSYS 363 (Sensory and Perceptual Systems)

**Research Methods and Statistics**
PSYS 210 (Research Methods in Psychology)
PSYS 211 (Research Methods Lab)
PSYS 313 (Statistics in Psychology)

**Capstone**
PSYS 481 (History of Psychology) **OR**
PSYS 490 (Research/Readings/Special Projects)

Concentrations

**Applied Psychological Science**
Uses psychological science to solve real-world problems and enhance performance in business, sports, or human engineering

**Biobehavioral Psychology**
Emphasizes the scientific study of the neural and brain mechanisms that enable mind, consciousness, and behavior

**Clinical Psychological Science**
Focuses on mechanisms and causes of psychological health and dysfunction

**Cognitive Psychology**
Emphasizes the scientific study of mental processes such as attention, perception, memory, problem-solving, thinking, and language use

**Developmental Science**
Addresses the physical, emotional, intellectual, social, perceptual, and personality growth of humans throughout the lifespan

**Social Psychology**
Emphasizes the study of how social situations affect behavior