### BSOS Expectations of Students

As a University of Maryland student, you are an informed and active participant in your education. Therefore, the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences expects that you:

- Know your benchmark/gateway and degree requirements
- Develop a graduation plan which leads to a timely graduation
- Complete an academic audit during your junior year
- Take appropriate actions to remove registration blocks and register on time
- Adhere to University and College policies and deadlines
- Be responsible for your academic actions and decisions

### Student Expectations of BSOS

Academic advisors are committed to assist you in meeting your educational goals. Therefore, the College is committed to the following:

- Introducing you to major and University requirements upon your entrance to a BSOS major
- Providing assistance during academic difficulty
- Referring you to helpful campus resources when needed
- Providing advising throughout your academic career

### Advising Resources

#### BSOS Advising

**General questions, registration, exceptions to University policy, academic probation, limited enrollment questions, graduation concerns**

2148 Tydings Hall  
(301) 405-1697  
bsosadvising@umd.edu

#### Department Advising

**Major requirements and courses, registration, internships, career questions, department permission for courses, graduate school planning**

1107 Biology-Psychology Building  
(301) 405-5866  
psycadvising@umd.edu

**Limited Enrollment Program Admission Requirements:** Since Psychology has been designated as a Limited Enrollment Program (LEP), the major requires higher standards than the satisfactory progress benchmarks required in non-LEP majors. Students must meet certain minimum criteria in order to remain in the major or gain access to the major.

**LEP Enrollment Policies:**

- Only one gateway/entrance course may be repeated and may only be repeated once.
- A grade of a W (Withdrawn) in a course is counted as an attempt.
- Students may apply only once to an LEP. Students who choose to leave the major or are directly admitted and fail to meet the review criteria will be dismissed from the major and may not reapply.
- Students in the major must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00. Failure to do so will result in dismissal from the major.

**First semester freshmen entering the University as PSYC major:** Students must complete the following requirements within 45 credits (not including AP/IB credits) to remain in the major.

- PSYC 100 with a grade of B– or higher  
  {If AP/IB PSYC 100, then PSYC 221 with B– or higher}
- BSCI 105 with a grade of C– or higher
- BA Option: MATH 220, 130 or 140 with a grade of C– or higher
- BS Option: MATH 130 or 140 with a grade of C– or higher

**Students who wish to be PSYC after their first semester:** Students may submit an application to declare PSYC as a major after completing the LEP admission requirements listed below.

- PSYC 100 with a grade of B– or higher  
  {If AP/IB PSYC 100, then PSYC 221 with B– or higher}
- BSCI 105 with a grade of C– or higher
- BA Option: MATH 220, 130 or 140 with a grade of C– or higher
- BS Option: MATH 130 or 140 with a grade of C– or higher
- Minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.70 in all previous college-level coursework

**PSYC majors are not permitted to take more than 3 PSYC courses in a given semester.**
### General Education Requirements (Fall 2012 and later)

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### PSYC Major Requirements

**Gateway Requirements**

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### Bachelor of Arts Option [Grade of C– or higher]

- PSYC 200
  - 3
- PSYC 300
  - 4

**PSYC Thematic Courses [Grade of C– or higher]**

Must take two courses from each of the thematic areas

Refer to the department website for specific area courses:


- Theme I: Mind, Brain & Behavior
  - 3
- Theme II: Mental Health and Interventions
  - 3
- Theme III: Social, Developmental & Organizational Processes
  - 3

**PSYC 400 Level Courses [Grade of C– or higher]**

- 400 level Non-Lab 1
  - 3
- 400 level Non-Lab 2
  - 3
- 400 level Lab 1 {Must have 85 credits}
  - 4

**11 PSYC courses totaling at least 35 credits**

{Excludes PSYC 309A, 309C, 389, 478, or 479}

- 35

### Bachelor of Science Option

In addition to completing the BA Option requirements:

- A total of 5 Math and Science courses must be taken. These include the Gateway/Entrance math and lab science requirement.
- 2 of the 5 BS courses must be labs and 3 of the 5 must be Advanced Courses.
- 2.0 average among five courses are required.
- Refer to the department website for BS courses:
  - http://psychology.umd.edu/ugrad/bsdegree.html

- BS Advanced Course 1
- BS Advanced Course 2
- BS Advanced Course 3

*Will be fulfilled by completing your Gateway Math Requirement

**Will be fulfilled by completing your Gateway Science Requirement
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## Year 1

### Fall
- **ENGL101 (AW: Academic Writing)** 3
- **MA (Math) Based on Math Placement/Gateway** 3
- **BSCI 105** 3
- **HU (Humanities)*** 3
- **UNIV100** 1

### Spring
- **OC (Oral Communications)** 3
- **PSYC200 (AR: Analytic Reasoning)** 3
- **NL (Natural Sciences Lab)** Will be satisfied by Gateway Science Course
- **Elective** 3

### Total
- **16**

## Year 2

### Fall
- **HS (History/ Social Sciences)*** 3
- **HU (Humanities)*** 3
- **Elective** 3

### Spring
- **NS (Natural Sciences)*** 3
- **UP (Understanding Plural Societies)*** 3
- **PSYC Theme III** 3
- **BS Advanced Course 1/ Elective** 3

### Total
- **15**

## Year 3

### Fall
- **PW (Professional Writing)** 3
- **PSYC 300 SP (Scholarship in Practice)*** 4
- **PSYC Theme I** 3
- **PSYC Theme III** 3

### Spring
- **SP (Scholarship in Practice—non major)*** 3
- **PSYC Theme II** 3
- **BS Advanced Course 2/ Elective** 3
- **Elective** 3

### Total
- **16**

## Year 4

### Fall
- **PSYC Theme II** 3
- **400 level non-lab PSYC Course** 3
- **BS Advanced Course 3/ Elective** 3

### Spring
- **UP/CC (Understanding Plural Societies/Cultural Competency)*** 3
- **400 level PSYC lab course** 4
- **400 level non-lab PSYC Course** 3
- **Elective** 3

### Total
- **14**

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* **Cumulative Credits + Planned Credits = Total Credits**  **120**

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### Important Planning Notes:
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- Understanding Plural Societies courses may also fulfill a Distributive Studies category.

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## Year 1
### Fall
- **ENGL101 (AW: Academic Writing)** 3
- **MATH140 (MA: Math)** 3
- **PSYC100 (HS: History/ Social Sciences)** 3
- **HU (Humanities)*** 3
- **UNIV100** 1
- **Elective** 3

**Total 16**

### Spring
- **OC (Oral Communications)** 3
- **PSYC200 (AR: Analytic Reasoning)** 3
- **BSCI105 (NL: Natural Sciences Lab)** 4
- **Elective** 3
- **Elective** 3
- **Elective** 3

**Total 16**

## Year 2
### Fall
- **HS (History/ Social Sciences)*** 3
- **HU (Humanities)*** 3
- **PSYC Theme III** 3
- **Elective** 3
- **Elective** 3

**Total 15**

### Spring
- **NS (Natural Sciences)*** 3
- **UP (Understanding Plural Societies)*** 3
- **PSYC Theme I** 3
- **BS Advanced Course 1/ Elective** 3
- **Elective** 3

**Total 15**

## Year 3
### Fall
- **PW (Professional Writing)** 3
- **PSYC 300 SP (Scholarship in Practice)*** 4
- **PSYC Theme I** 3
- **PSYC Theme III** 3
- **Elective** 3

**Total 16**

### Spring
- **SP (Scholarship in Practice—non major)*** 3
- **PSYC Theme II** 3
- **BS Advanced Course 2/ Elective** 3
- **Elective** 3

**Total 15**

## Year 4
### Fall
- **PSYC Theme II** 3
- **400 level non-lab PSYC Course** 3
- **Elective** 3

**Total 14**

### Spring
- **UP/CC (Understanding Plural Societies/Cultural Competency)*** 3
- **400 level PSYC lab course** 4
- **400 level non-lab PSYC Course** 3
- **Elective** 3
- **Elective** 2

**Total 13**

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