

**What can you do with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from SPU?**

The BA in Psychology at Seattle Pacific University provides an excellent background for employment in work where interpersonal understanding and skills are needed. It also prepares you for additional studies in areas such as counseling, teaching, medicine, pastoral ministry, and law.

You will choose one of the following tracks in the major: Animal Behavior, Clinical-Counseling Psychology, Community Psychology & Behavioral Health, Cross-Cultural, Data Analytics, Developmental Psychology, Psychological Science, Social-Personality Psychology, or Sports Psychology.

**Potential occupations include:**

- Academic Advisor
- Behavior Analyst
- Child Life Specialist
- Corporate Recruiter
- Employment Counselor
- Public Relations Specialist
- Mental Health Worker
- Manager/Supervisor
- Victim Advocate

**Suggested Transfer Preparation at Pierce College**

Associate in Arts (AA-DTA)

**Courses in the major you may complete at Pierce College**

Pierce College Courses	Equivalent SPU Courses
PSYC& 100 General Psychology (5)	PSY 1180 General Psychology (5)
MATH& 146 Introduction to Statistics (5)	Fulfills PSY 2360 Stats for Soc & Behav Sci (5) -- if PSY 3060 Practical Statistics (2) also is completed at SPU.
PSYC& 200 Lifespan Psychology (5)	PSY 2470 Lifespan Developmental Psych (5)
Consider completing ONE of the following courses: PSYC& 220 Abnormal Psychology (5) – or – PSYCH 210 Social Psychology (5)	PSY 3360 Psychological Disorders (5) * PSY 3438 Social Psychology (5) *

**Note:** Only courses with a regular grade of 1.7 (C-) or higher may count toward a major or minor.

**\*Indicates** that this course transfers as lower-division credit for the equivalent SPU course.

**Admission to the Major**

If you identify the Psychology (BA) major as your first choice on your application for admission to the University, you will automatically gain entry to the major when admitted to SPU.

**Learn more about the Psychology major at:**

<http://spu.edu/psychology-major>

<http://spu.edu/psychology-major-reqs>

**Get more information** about transfer admission to Seattle Pacific University at: <http://spu.edu/transfer>.  
**Questions?** Contact [transfer@spu.edu](mailto:transfer@spu.edu).

## Courses in the major to complete at SPU

PSY 1200 Psychology as Vocation (1)
PSY 2360 Stats for Social & Behav Sci (5) – or – PSY 3060 Practical Statistics (2) <sup>1</sup>
PSY 3360 Psychological Disorders (5) <sup>2</sup>
PSY 3410 Cross-Cultural Psychology (5)
PSY 3438 Social Psychology (5) <sup>2</sup>
PSY 3588 Psychological Research Methods (5)
PSY 3700 Learning & Behavior (5) – or – PSY 3800 Cognitive Psychology (5)
PSY 410X Advanced Research Methods (5)
PSY 4488 Behavioral Neuroscience (5)
PSY 4940 Internship in Psychology (3) – or – PSY 4970 Independent Research (3)
PSY 4899 Senior Seminar in Psychology (3)
PSY Elective (5)

<sup>1</sup> If MATH& 146 transferred with minimum C- grade.

<sup>2</sup> If not completed prior to transfer.

## Other requirements for the degree

In addition to the major, the degree requires completion of any remaining general education and University requirements, and at least 180 college-level credits total, including 60 upper-division (UD) credits.

All students must complete the University Foundations Requirement at SPU – even those who have completed the Direct Transfer Agreement (DTA) Associate Degree.

Students admitted with fewer than 90 credits (freshmen and sophomores) complete 15 credits:

UFDN 1000 The Christian Faith (5)  
 UFDN 2000 Christian Scriptures (5)  
 UFDN 3100 Christian Theology (5)

Students admitted with 90 credits or more (juniors and seniors) complete 10 credits:

UFDN 3001 Christian Scriptures (5)  
 UFDN 3100 Christian Theology (5)

## Suggested course plan for your junior and senior years at SPU

Assumes junior standing at entrance and successful completion of PSYC& 100 and 200 prior to transfer.

Junior Year			
AUTUMN	WINTER	SPRING	NOTES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PSY 1200 (1)</li> <li>PSY 2360 (5) – or – PSY 3060 (2) with transfer of MATH&amp; 146.</li> <li>+ credits to total 15 – 18</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PSY 3700 (5)</li> <li>+ credits to total 15 – 18</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ 15 – 18 credits</li> </ul> <p><i>Apply to graduate!</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attend New Major Orientation.</li> <li>Consider completing a minor (usually 30 credits) in another academic area.</li> <li>Begin planning for your internship or independent research.</li> </ul>
<p><b>ANY QUARTER:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PSY 3360 (5) and PSY 3438 (5), as needed.</li> <li>PSY 3410 (5) and PSY 3588 (5).</li> <li>UFDN, electives, general education, and University requirements.</li> </ul>			
Senior Year			
AUTUMN	WINTER	SPRING	NOTES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ 15 – 18 credits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PSY 4488 (5) -- or take this in spring.</li> <li>+ credits to total 15 – 18</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PSY 4488 (5) -- if not taken in winter.</li> <li>PSY 4899 (3)</li> <li>+ credits to total 15 – 18</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take enough credits to reach 180 total and 60 upper-division (UD).</li> </ul>
<p><b>ANY QUARTER:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5-credit PSY elective.</li> <li>PSY 4100, 4101, 4102, 4103, 4104, 4105, 4106, or 4107.</li> <li>PSY 4940 Internship or PSY 4970 Independent Research.</li> <li>Remaining UFDN, electives, or general degree requirements.</li> </ul>			