



Bachelor of Arts

# Psychology - 45 credits Online Program

## Program Overview

The 45-credit major is intended to prepare students for graduate school and/or careers that would combine a background in psychology with work in fields such as social work, family studies, business, forensics, primate behavior, and other fields for which training in behavioral science would be useful. Students in the 45-credit major are required to complete either a minor or a double major. To apply for the program, please complete the online application, which may be accessed via this link: <https://www.cwu.edu/psychology/application-form-online-psychology-major> This program is not currently available to Ellensburg students.

## Program Requirements

### I. Prerequisites

Prior to gaining entrance to the Online Psychology major, one must earn a C (2.0) or higher in Psychology 101. The student must also have earned at least 45 college-level credits with a 2.25 or higher cumulative GPA. Additionally, a math course in finite mathematics, statistics, or pre-calculus as well as an Introduction to Biology or an Anatomy class are highly recommended elements of a general education program likely to support the student's success in the major. To check if a course taken outside of the university will fulfill one of these classes, please check your previous institution's course equivalencies here: <http://www.cwu.edu/registrar/transfer-equivalencies-policies>. The online psychology major is designed to serve as a degree-completion program. As such, students are encouraged to enter the program with their general education courses complete, if possible.

### II. Required Courses

PSY 101 - General Psychology . . . . .	5
PSY 200 - Introduction to the Major . . . . .	1
PSY 300 - Research Methods in Psychology . . . . .	5
PSY 362 - Introductory Statistics* . . . . .	5
PSY 489 - Senior Assessment . . . . .	2

\* Due to its classification as a general education course, PSY362 may be used to satisfy the quantitative reasoning requirement. Please be aware that while there are no designated math requirements to be admitted to the psychology major, the following pre-reqs apply to the course PSY362, in particular:

- Completion of CWU course of Math 100b or higher OR
- Completion of a transfer course equivalent to CWU Math 100b or higher OR
- Completion of CWU Department of Math placement test resulting in placement of Math100b/c or higher OR
- BUS221 OR
- Permission by instructor

To check if a course taken outside of CWU will fulfill one of these classes, please consult with your general education advisor or check your previous course equivalencies here: <http://cwu.edu/registrar/transfer-equivalencies-policies>. For more information on the math placement test, please see: <https://cwu.edu/testing/test-list-dates>.

### III. Select at least one course from each of the following groups:

Group I . . . . . 4-5

- PSY 301 - Learning (5)
- PSY 303 - Analysis of Everyday Behavior (4)

Group II . . . . . 4

- PSY 310 - Multicultural Issues in Psychology (4)
- PSY 346 - Social Psychology (4)
- PSY 313 - Developmental Psychology (4)



Group III ..... 4-5  
 PSY 445 - Clinical, Counseling, and Community Psychology (5)  
 PSY 449 - Abnormal Psychology (4)  
 PSY 453 - Theories of Personality (5)

Group IV ..... 4-5  
 PSY 420 - Psychology of Language (4)  
 PSY 460 - Cognitive Psychology (5)

Group V ..... 4  
 PSY 450 - Sensation and Perception (4)  
 PSY 478 - Behavioral Neuroscience (4)

Electives ..... 4-7

May include a maximum of five lower division credits. In addition to the classes listed above, the other 300 and 400-level classes may also qualify for elective credits

## Online Admissions Process

### I. Apply to CWU

- Apply for admission to Central Washington University online at <http://www.cwu.edu/admissions/online-admissions>
- If you meet CWU's general education requirements through a community college direct transfer agreement (DTA), bachelor's degree, or equivalent from any state accredited college or university, please submit official electronic or hard copy transcripts from any colleges or universities you have attended to Admissions.

### II. Apply to the major

Once admitted and fully matriculated to the university, you may apply to the online major by completing the online form located on the web: <https://www.cwu.edu/psychology/application-form-online-psychology-major>. Prior to completing this task, please confirm you are assigned to the 'web campus'. To request this designation, please go to: <http://www.cwu.edu/student-achievement/campus-change-form-online-students>. Applicants will typically receive a response within 3-5 business days. Applications are reviewed through the last full day of classes for admission in the subsequent quarter. Students are admitted for Fall, Winter, and Spring quarters.

## Graduation Requirements

Students are encouraged to complete PSY 200 during their first quarter of the program. This class will acclimate the student to the program and familiarize him or her to the profession. Note: In order to graduate from the program, one must have a within-major of 2.5 GPA or above. Graduating senior psychology majors are required to complete the department's end-of-major assessment examinations. Also, each student must participate in 10 hours of service learning or working as a research assistant prior to completion of PSY 489, which should be completed in the student's final quarter in the program. Students are encouraged to retain electronic copies of all major assignments while working their way through the program as these documents may be requested by future employers or graduate programs.

A minimum of 180 quarter credits is required, including no more than 135 transfer credits. A minimum of 60 credits of upper division study is required (300-400 level). The general education program must be completed as defined in the University catalog. For a list of CWU General Education Requirements view <http://www.cwu.edu/~acadadv/BasicBreadth.php>. Students holding the appropriate academic transfer associate degree will have met the general education program requirements.

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