

CWU Student Learning Outcomes Assessment Plan Preparation Form

Department: Psychology

Program B. A. in Psychology (45 and 60 credit majors)

**Our Student Learning Outcomes are informed by the standards of the American Psychological Association for the undergraduate psychology major*
Goals 1-5 are discipline-specific goals and goals 6-10 are general education goals for psychology students.**

Student Learning Outcomes	Related Departmental/ Program Goals	Related College Goals	Related University Goals	Method(s) of Assessment	Who Assessed (Only major core and cluster courses are shown)	When Assessed	Standard of Mastery/ Criterion of Achievement
<p>1. Knowledge Base of Psychology: Demonstrate familiarity with the major concepts, theoretical perspectives, empirical findings, and historical trends in psychology.</p>	<p>Goal 3. Promote excellence in learning to prepare students for careers and advanced study</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal III: Provide for outstanding graduate programs that meet focused regional needs and achieve academic excellence.</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal V: Achieve regional and national prominence for the university.</p>	<p>Course grades for psychology majors</p> <p>ETS Major Field Test taken by graduating seniors.</p> <p>PSY 489, Senior Assessment taken by graduating seniors. Includes portfolio assessment and presentation.</p>	<p>PSY 101, General Psychology PSY 301, Learning Psychology PSY 460, Cognitive Psychology PSY 461, History and Systems of Psychology PSY 478, Physiological Psychology PSY 489, Senior Assessment All cluster classes.</p>	<p>Quarterly in courses</p> <p>End of major for MFT, PSY 489</p>	<p>All graduates' major GPA at or above 2.25</p> <p>CWU averages on MFT content areas consistent with national averages.</p> <p>Each student will include in his or her PSY 489 portfolio and reflect upon at least one paper rated satisfactory or higher on all knowledge base items.</p>
<p>2. Research Methods in Psychology: Apply basic research methods in psychology, including research design, data analysis, and interpretation.</p>	<p>Goal 3. Promote excellence in learning to prepare students for careers and advanced study</p> <p>Goal 4. Support involvement of undergraduate and graduate students in psychological research</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal III: Provide for outstanding graduate programs that meet focused regional needs and achieve academic excellence.</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal V: Achieve regional and national prominence for the university.</p>	<p>Course grades for psychology majors</p> <p>ETS Major Field Test taken by graduating seniors.</p> <p>PSY 489, Senior Assessment taken by graduating seniors. Includes portfolio assessment and presentation.</p>	<p>PSY 101, General Psychology PSY 300, Research Methods in Psychology, PSY 362, Introductory Statistics, PSY 363, Intermediate Statistics PSY 489, Senior Assessment</p>	<p>Quarterly in courses</p> <p>End of major for MFT, PSY 489</p>	<p>All graduates' major GPA at or above 2.25</p> <p>CWU averages on MFT content areas consistent with national averages.</p> <p>Each student will include in his or her PSY 489 portfolio and reflect upon at least one research proposal or completed research study rated satisfactory or higher on all phases of the research process.</p>

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<p>3. Critical Thinking Skills in Psychology: Respect and use critical and creative thinking, skeptical inquiry, and, when possible, the scientific approach to solve problems related to behavior and mental processes.</p>	<p>Goal 3. Promote excellence in learning to prepare students for careers and advanced study</p> <p>Goal 4. Support involvement of undergraduate and graduate students in psychological research</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal III: Provide for outstanding graduate programs that meet focused regional needs and achieve academic excellence.</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal V: Achieve regional and national prominence for the university.</p>	<p>Course grades for psychology majors</p> <p>ETS Major Field Test taken by graduating seniors.</p> <p>PSY 489, Senior Assessment taken by graduating seniors. Includes portfolio assessment and presentation.</p>	<p>PSY 101, General Psychology PSY 300, Research Methods in Psychology, PSY 362, Introductory Statistics, PSY 363, Intermediate Statistics PSY 489, Senior Assessment</p>	<p>Quarterly in courses</p> <p>End of major for MFT, PSY 489</p>	<p>All graduates' major GPA at or above 2.25</p> <p>CWU averages on MFT content areas consistent with national averages.</p> <p>Each student will include in his or her PSY 489 portfolio and reflect upon at least one paper rated satisfactory or higher on all critical thinking items.</p> <p>Every graduating major will have experience developing a research project</p>
<p>4. Application of Psychology: Apply psychological principles to personal, social, and organizational issues.</p>	<p>Goal 3. Promote excellence in learning to prepare students for careers and advanced study</p> <p>8. Serve as a center for psychological and educational services to the community and region</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal III: Provide for outstanding graduate programs that meet focused regional needs and achieve academic excellence.</p> <p>Goal V: Build partnerships that with private, professional, academic, government, and community-based organizations.</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal V: Achieve regional and national prominence for the university.</p>	<p>Course grades for psychology majors</p> <p>ETS Major Field Test taken by graduating seniors.</p> <p>PSY 489, Senior Assessment taken by graduating seniors. Includes portfolio assessment and presentation.</p> <p>Success in placing students in desired graduate programs or careers.</p> <p>University alumni surveys</p>	<p>PSY 101, General Psychology PSY 301, Learning and cluster classes, especially PSY 346, Social Psychology PSY 449, Abnormal Psychology PSY 444, Tests and Measurements PSY 445, Clinical, Counseling and Community Psychology PSY 456, Industrial and Organizational Psychology PSY 489, Senior Assessment</p>	<p>Quarterly in courses</p> <p>End of major for MFT, PSY 489</p> <p>Quarterly PSY 489, Senior Assessment includes portfolio review.</p> <p>Post-graduation for alumni surveys</p>	<p>All graduates' major GPA at or above 2.25</p> <p>CWU averages on MFT content areas consistent with national averages.</p> <p>PSY 489 survey will indicate that every graduating student has had the opportunity to participate in a service opportunity.</p> <p>Each student will make a PSY 489 presentation rated satisfactory or higher on an applied psychological theme, career opportunity related to psychology, or a graduate program in psychology.</p>

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<p>5. Values in Psychology: Value empirical evidence, tolerate ambiguity, act ethically, and reflect other values that are the underpinnings of psychology as a science.</p>	<p>Goal 3. Promote excellence in learning to prepare students for careers and advanced study</p> <p>Goal 6. Pursue diversity goals in attracting women and minority students and faculty members.</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal III: Provide for outstanding graduate programs that meet focused regional needs and achieve academic excellence.</p> <p>Goal V: Build partnerships that with private, professional, academic, government, and community-based organizations.</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal V: Achieve regional and national prominence for the university.</p> <p>Goal VI: Build inclusive and diverse campus communities that promote intellectual inquiry</p>	<p>Course grades for psychology majors</p> <p>Completion of human subjects protection certification course</p> <p>ETS Major Field Test taken by graduating seniors.</p> <p>PSY 489, Senior Assessment taken by graduating seniors. Includes portfolio assessment and presentation.</p>	<p>PSY 101, General Psychology PSY 300, Research Methods in Psychology, PSY 362, Introductory Statistics, PSY 363, Intermediate Statistics PSY 489, Senior Assessment includes senior survey, portfolio review.</p>	<p>Quarterly in courses</p> <p>End of major for MFT, PSY 489</p>	<p>All graduates' major GPA at or above 2.25</p> <p>CWU averages on MFT content areas consistent with national averages.</p> <p>Every graduating student will have completed a human subjects protection certification course.</p> <p>Each student will include in his or her PSY 489 portfolio and reflect upon at least one paper or presentation rated satisfactory or higher that reflects appropriate scientific and ethical values.</p>
<p>6. Information and Technological Literacy: Demonstrate information competence and the ability to use computers and other technology for many purposes.</p>	<p>Goal 3. Promote excellence in learning to prepare students for careers and advanced study</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal III: Provide for outstanding graduate programs that meet focused regional needs and achieve academic excellence.</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal V: Achieve regional and national prominence for the university.</p>	<p>Course grades for psychology majors</p> <p>Confirm use of online resources for research papers and literature reviews</p> <p>Confirm use of computer statistical packages and lab simulation software</p> <p>PSY 489, Senior Assessment taken by graduating seniors. Includes portfolio assessment and senior survey.</p>	<p>PSY 300, Research Methods in Psychology, PSY 301, Learning PSY 363, Intermediate Statistics PSY 461, History and Systems of Psychology. PSY 489, Senior Assessment</p>	<p>Quarterly in courses</p> <p>End of major for MFT, PSY 489</p>	<p>All graduates' major GPA at or above 2.25</p> <p>CWU averages on MFT content areas consistent with national averages.</p> <p>Each student will include in his or her PSY 489 portfolio and reflect upon at least one paper or presentation rated satisfactory or higher that demonstrates appropriate use of technology for statistics, literature review, graphing, instructional supplement, etc..</p>

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<p>7. Communication Skills: Communicate effectively in a variety of formats.</p>	<p>Goal 3. Promote excellence in learning to prepare students for careers and advanced study</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal III: Provide for outstanding graduate programs that meet focused regional needs and achieve academic excellence.</p> <p>Goal V: Build partnerships that with private, professional, academic, government, and community-based organizations.</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal V: Achieve regional and national prominence for the university.</p>	<p>Course grades for psychology majors</p> <p>PSY 489, Senior Assessment taken by graduating seniors. Includes portfolio assessment, presentation, and senior survey.</p> <p>Write research and literature review papers in APA style</p> <p>University alumni surveys</p>	<p>PSY 300, Research Methods in Psychology, PSY 301, Learning PSY 461, History and Systems of Psychology PSY 489, Senior Assessment</p>	<p>Quarterly in courses</p> <p>End of major for MFT, PSY 489</p> <p>Post-graduation for alumni surveys</p>	<p>All graduates' major GPA at or above 2.25</p> <p>CWU averages on MFT content areas consistent with national averages.</p> <p>Each student will include in his or her PSY 489 portfolio and reflect upon at least one paper demonstrating satisfactory APA style.</p> <p>Each student will make an oral presentation in PSY 489 on which he or she earns satisfactory evaluations on all presentation style items</p> <p>SEE ALUMNI SURVEY</p>
<p>8. Sociocultural and International Awareness: Recognize and respect the complexity of sociocultural and international diversity.</p>	<p>Goal 3. Promote excellence in learning to prepare students for careers and advanced study</p> <p>Goal 6. Pursue diversity goals in attracting women and minority students and faculty members.</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal III: Provide for outstanding graduate programs that meet focused regional needs and achieve academic excellence.</p> <p>Goal V: Build partnerships that with private, professional, academic, government, and community-based organizations.</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal V: Achieve regional and national prominence for the university.</p> <p>Goal VI: Build inclusive and diverse campus communities that promote intellectual inquiry</p>	<p>Course grades for psychology majors</p> <p>ETS Major Field Test taken by graduating seniors.</p> <p>Count students participating in international studies, service learning and campus activities with diverse groups. Includes psychological diversity.</p> <p>PSY 489, Senior Assessment taken by graduating seniors. Includes portfolio assessment and senior survey.</p>	<p>PSY 101, General Psychology PSY 313, Developmental Psychology PSY 346, Social Psychology PSY 445, Clinical Counseling, and Community Psychology PSY 449, Abnormal Psychology PSY 456, Industrial and Organizational Psychology</p>	<p>Quarterly in courses</p> <p>End of major for MFT, PSY 489</p>	<p>All graduates' major GPA at or above 2.25</p> <p>CWU averages on MFT content areas consistent with national averages.</p> <p>PSY 489 survey will indicate that every graduating student has successfully completed courses that include research on sociocultural influences on behavior and attitudes toward diverse groups.</p>

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<p>9. Personal Development: Develop insight into their own and others' behavior and mental processes and apply effective strategies for self-management and self-improvement.</p>	<p>Goal 3. Promote excellence in learning to prepare students for careers and advanced study</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal III: Provide for outstanding graduate programs that meet focused regional needs and achieve academic excellence.</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal V: Achieve regional and national prominence for the university.</p>	<p>Course grades for psychology majors</p> <p>PSY 489, Senior Assessment taken by graduating seniors. Includes portfolio assessment, presentation, and personal mission statement.</p> <p>University alumni surveys</p>	<p>PSY 101, General Psychology PSY 313, Developmental Psychology PSY 346, Social Psychology PSY 449, Abnormal Psychology PSY 460, Cognitive Psychology PSY 489, Senior Assessment</p>	<p>Quarterly in courses</p> <p>End of major for MFT, PSY 489</p> <p>Post-graduation for alumni surveys</p>	<p>All graduates' major GPA at or above 2.25</p> <p>CWU averages on MFT content areas consistent with national averages.</p> <p>SEE ALUMNI SURVEY</p> <p>Each student will make a personal mission statement presentation in PSY 489.</p> <p>Each student will make a PSY 489 presentation rated satisfactory or higher on an applied psychological theme, career opportunity related to psychology, or a graduate program in psychology.</p>
<p>10. Career Planning and Development: Pursue realistic ideas about how to implement their psychological knowledge, skills, and values in occupational pursuits in a variety of settings.</p>	<p>Goal 3. Promote excellence in learning to prepare students for careers and advanced study</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal III: Provide for outstanding graduate programs that meet focused regional needs and achieve academic excellence.</p> <p>Goal V: Build partnerships that with private, professional, academic, government, and community-based organizations.</p>	<p>Goals I & II: Maintain and strengthen an outstanding academic and student life at all sites</p> <p>Goal V: Achieve regional and national prominence for the university.</p>	<p>Course grades for psychology majors</p> <p>ETS Major Field Test taken by graduating seniors.</p> <p>PSY 489, Senior Assessment taken by graduating seniors. Includes career and graduate school orientation</p> <p>Record student advising and student placement in desired graduate programs or careers.</p> <p>University alumni surveys</p>	<p>PSY 101, General Psychology PSY 300, Research Methods in Psychology PSY 445, Clinical Counseling, and Community Psychology PSY 456, Industrial and Organizational Psychology PSY 489, Senior Assessment</p>	<p>Quarterly in courses</p> <p>End of major for MFT, PSY 489</p> <p>Post-graduation for alumni surveys</p>	<p>All graduates' major GPA at or above 2.25</p> <p>CWU averages on MFT content areas consistent with national averages.</p> <p>SEE ALUMNI SURVEY</p> <p>PSY 489 survey will indicate that all students were assigned to an advisor and were advised at entry to major and registration hold points.</p> <p>Each student will make a PSY 489 presentation rated satisfactory or higher on an applied psychological theme, career opportunity related to psychology, or a graduate program in psychology.</p>

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