

Psychology: General

Certificate

27 Credit Hours

This program is offered by the College of Arts & Sciences/ Psychology Department. It is available at the St. Louis home campus and at select international campuses. Please see the Locations Offering Undergraduate Programs section of this catalog for a list of campuses where this program is offered.

For information on the general requirements for a certificate, see Certificate under the Academic Policies and Information section of this catalog.

- PSYC 4950 Senior Assessment (0 hours)

Program Description

More demanding than the psychology minor but less intensive than the psychology major, this certificate is well suited to students with a strong interest in psychology but who are majoring in another subject. As a stand-alone certificate, it is also appropriate for those students with a strong interest in psychology who have completed a BA or BS at another institution.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the program, students will be able to:

- Describe the major concepts, theoretical perspectives, empirical findings and historical trends in psychology.
- Implement the use of scientific reasoning to interpret psychological phenomena and demonstrate the ability to interpret, design and conduct basic psychological research using statistical analyses.
- Apply ethical standards to evaluate psychological science and practice and apply those standards to build and enhance interpersonal relationships locally and globally.
- Demonstrate effective writing, exhibit effective presentation skills and interact effectively with others.
- Discuss the occupational pursuits available in a variety of settings given their psychological knowledge, skills and values.

Special Requirements

In addition to the general University requirements for a certificate:

- The general psychology certificate cannot be earned by students currently majoring in psychology (BA, BA with an emphasis in mental health, BS) or psychological science (BS).
- Students who transfer any required course for the certificate (e.g., PSYC 2300) must take an additional 3 credit hour PSYC elective at Webster University. A maximum of two substitutions are permitted.

Required Courses

- PSYC 1100 Introduction to Psychology (3 hours)
- PSYC 1800 Careers in Psychology (1 hour)
- PSYC 2300 Lifespan Development (3 hours)
- PSYC 3025 Psychology and Ethics (2 hours)
- PSYC 3125 Abnormal Psychology (3 hours)
- PSYC 3325 Applied Learning Theory (3 hours)
or PSYC 3350 Cognitive Psychology (3 hours)
- PSYC 3600 Social Psychology (3 hours)
- PSYC 3775 Personality Theory (3 hours)
- PSYC 3900 Introduction to Counseling (3 hours)
or PSYC 4225 Introduction to the Helping Professions (3 hours)
- PSYC 4300 Health Psychology (3 hours)