

Psychology Minor

Requirements for the Minor

Candidates must complete a minimum of 15 hours of courses taught by or cross-listed with the Psychology Department, including at least 6 hours at the 3000 or 4000 level (no more than 3 of these can be PSYCH 3390). Candidates must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher in the minor. Psychology courses taken on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis may not be applied to the minor.

Learning Outcomes

Graduates of the Minor in Psychology at UM-St. Louis will be able to:

Psychological Sciences Knowledge Base:

- Apply basic psychological terminology, concepts and theories to explain behavior and mental processes.
- Discuss practical applications of psychological principles and science within their major area of study and to everyday life.

Scientific Inquiry and Critical Thinking:

- Identify and describe the potential for flaws in behavioral explanations based on simplistic, personal theories and demonstrate an appreciation for psychology as a science.
- Summarize criteria and strategies for identifying objective sources of psychological information.

Communication:

- Express in writing basic concepts and findings from the psychological sciences.
- Interpret quantitative data displayed in graphs and tables.

Ethical and Social Responsibility:

- Consider ethical issues that reflect principles in the APA Ethics Code.

Professional Development:

- Describe how knowledge and skills from the psychological sciences apply to business, health care, educational, and other workplace settings.