

# Requirements for the University of Virginia Psychology Major

(More detail: <http://psychology.as.virginia.edu/undergraduate-handbook>)

(This outline deletes references to the *University Internship Program*;  
Effective for the Class of 2019, credit from this program does not count toward the Psychology major.)

Prerequisites to declaring a psychology major (AP, IB and transfer courses may satisfy):

1. Introductory Psych (1010; at least a C; or AP 4, or IB—high-level—5)
2. One 2000-level psych course (at least C).
3. GPA of at least 2.00 for all psychology courses taken.
4. Calculus (at least C- in approved course; see Undergraduate Handbook).

## **For the major:**

30 Credits (not including 1010 and Calculus), all with at least a C.

At least 23 of the 30 credits must come from categories A, B and C:

### **A. At least one course from each of these three groups:**

<b>I.</b>	<b>II.</b>	<b>III.</b>
Learning (2100)	Neural Basis (2200)	Personality (2400)
Cognition (2150)	Animal Behavior (2210)	Social (2600)
Perception (2300)	Psychobiology (2220)	Child (2700)
	*BIOL 3050 satisfies group, but contributes no credits.	

### **B. Research Methods and Data Analysis I and II (3005 & 3006)**

*3005 must be taken prior to 4<sup>th</sup> year and after fulfilling calculus requirement*

### **C. At least two courses (minimum 6 credits) at 3000-level or higher,**

including at least one course at 4000-level or higher;  
(excluding 3005/3006, Directed Readings, Research in Psych, and Advanced Psychobiology Lab).

Electives: These may include other courses at 2000-level or higher. *Directed Readings* and *Research in Psychology* can count for up to 9 elective credits toward the major.

GPA of at least 2.00 must be achieved for all psychology courses taken.

## **Transfer Credit**

1. Maximum of 12 credits transferred toward the major.
2. Courses at the 2000-level are most suitable for transfer. Credit toward the major may be given for substantial courses, even if a comparable course is not offered in this department. Transfer credits for PSYC 3005/3006 or 4000- or 5000-level courses are difficult to obtain and are not recommended for transfer.

## **For a Minor** (same Prerequisites as for a major)

- 16 Credits at 2000-level or higher, all with at least a C:
  - Research Methods and Data Analysis I and II (3005 & 3006)
  - At least one course (minimum 3 credits) at 4000-level or higher,
    - (excluding Directed Readings, Research in Psych, and Advanced Psychobiology Lab).
- Electives: *Directed Readings* and *Research in Psychology* can count for up to 3 credits toward the minor.