



Bachelor of Science (#747)
 Major in Psychological Science: Cognitive Psychology
 Department of Psychological Science
 Western Kentucky University

The following four-year plan is an example of how to map your program in consultation with your faculty advisor. Every student will finish with a unique plan of his/her own depending on the electives selected.

Success Markers

SAMPLE - 4 year plan

FIRST YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	MATH 183 Introductory Statistics (F-QR)	3	PSYS 220 (PSYS 199) Intro Developmental Psychology	3
	PSYS 100 Intro to Psychology (E-SB)	3	PSYS 210 and PSYS 211 Research Methods & Lab	4
	ENGL 100 Introduction to College Writing (F-W1)	3	HIST 101 World History I OR HIST 102 World History II (F-SB)	3
	COMM 145 Fund of Public Speaking and Communication (F-OC)	3	Natural & Physical Science & Lab (E-NS, SB)	3
	Elective or minor course	3	World Language, if needed, OR General Elective	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	16

SECOND YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	PSYS 313 Statistics in Psychology	3	PSYS 333 Cognitive Psych	3
	ENG 200 Intro to Literature (F-AH)	3	Minor course OR Elective	3
	Minor course OR Elective	3	General Elective or Minor Course	3
	Natural & Physical Science (E-NS)	3	General Elective or Minor Course	3
	Arts & Humanities (E-AH)	3	General Elective or Minor Course	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

- **World Language Proficiency:** All students entering in fall 2014 or later must demonstrate proficiency in a world language at the Novice High level before completing 60 credit hours. Novice high is the ability to communicate in writing and speaking on familiar topics in simple sentences. To meet this requirement, students may take college language courses or take a proficiency test. For more information go to: [World Language Proficiency](#).
- **Colonnade Program:** All students entering in fall 2014 or later must complete 39 hours in 13 specific Colonnade areas. Colonnade areas are listed in parentheses marked in blue after the corresponding classes. Some areas may have specific course requirements while others can be chosen from selected lists of options. For more details and to see lists of options, go to [Colonnade Requirements](#).

THIRD YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	PSYS 350 Social Psychology OR PSYS 440 Abnormal Psychology	3	PSYS 363 Sensory & Perceptual Systems OR PSYS 360 Behavioral Neuroscience	3
	PSYS Concentration Course (choose from list below)	3	PSYS Concentration Course (choose from list below)	4
	Minor course	3	Minor course OR Elective	3
	Minor course	3	Minor course OR Elective	3
	ENG 300 Writing in the Disciplines (F-W2)	3	Connections: Social & Cultural (K-SC)	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	16

FOURTH YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	PSYS Concentration Course (choose from list below)	3	PSYS Concentration Course (choose from list below)	3
	CAPSTONE: PSYS 481 History of Psychology PSYS 490 Research, Readings, or Special Projects in Psychology	3	Minor course OR Elective	3
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	Connections: Local to Global (K-LG)	3	Connections: Systems (K-SY)	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

Total Credit Hours:120

* Denotes prerequisite courses before admission

Notes
<p>The Cognitive concentration emphasizes the scientific study of mental processes such as attention, perception, memory, problem-solving, thinking, and language use.</p> <p>Concentration Courses: Electives (12 hours): PSYS 290, 331, 363, 423, 431, 433, 462, 481, 490, 499, PSY 412 (Go to http://www.wku.edu/catalog for course descriptions)</p>

PLEASE NOTE: Prerequisites, Course Numbers, and Course Titles are subject to change.

Consult your advisor each semester.

Course Descriptions may be viewed at <http://www.wku.edu/catalog/>

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