

PSYCHOLOGY

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The Psychology Department offers a broad range of courses and programs designed to meet the needs of students from a variety of backgrounds and with varying degrees of interest in psychology. The Department offers an area of Concentration for the General Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degrees, and a Major and Honours for both the Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degrees, a Minor for the Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Arts, and Bachelor of Commerce degrees, and a Certificate in Human Resource Management and a Certificate in Forensic Psychology. The Department offers graduate programs of study leading to the Master of Science degree in Applied Psychology (Industrial/Organization and Forensic Psychology) and Doctor of Philosophy in Industrial/Organizational Psychology.

Undergraduate The Undergraduate Program in Psychology

The psychology undergraduate curriculum consists mainly of semester courses worth three (3) credit hours which are grouped into three broad categories:

1. Group A (p.)
2. Group B (p.)
3. Group C (p.)

Courses in **Group A** are representative of psychology as a natural science and offer instruction in the areas of:

1. brain and behaviour
2. biology, evolution, and behaviour
3. cognition

Courses in **Group B** are representative of psychology as a social science and provide instruction in the areas of:

1. development
2. social behaviour
3. personality and psychopathology

Courses in **Group C** are representative of psychology in general and include:

- Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C) (PSYC 1000),
- and statistics and research methods courses,

among others.

Group A

Code	Title	Credit Hours
PSYC 1100	Introduction to Biological Psychology (formerly PSYC 1210) (Group A)	3
PSYC 1120	Introduction to Evolutionary Psychology (formerly PSYC 1220) (Group A)	3

PSYC 1310	Introduction to Memory (formerly PSYC 1230) (Group A)	3
PSYC 1320	Introduction to Learning (formerly PSYC 1235) (Group A)	3
PSYC 2110	Sensation and Perception (formerly PSYC 2305) (Group A)	3
PSYC 2120	Biological Origins of Behaviour (formerly PSYC 3307) (Group A)	3
PSYC 2300	Cognitive Psychology (formerly PSYC 3355) (Group A)	3
PSYC 2580	Environmental Psychology (formerly PSYC 4418) (Group A)	3
PSYC 3110	Cognitive Neuroscience (formerly PSYC 3310) (Group A)	3
PSYC 3120	Ethology (formerly PSYC 4407) (Group A)	3
PSYC 3130	Drugs and Behaviour (formerly PSYC 3349) (Group A)	3
PSYC 3140	Health Psychology (formerly PSYC 4490) (Group A)	3
PSYC 3220	Human Factors and Performance (formerly PSYC 3309) (Group A)	3
PSYC 4110	Psychophysics and Perception (formerly PSYC 4415) (Group A)	3
PSYC 4120	Advanced Cognitive Neuroscience (formerly PSYC 4411) (Group A)	3
PSYC 4140	Human Neuropsychology (formerly PSYC 4410) (Group A)	3
PSYC 4150	Advanced Evolutionary Psychology (Group A)	3
PSYC 4190	Neuroscience Research Methods (Group A)	3
PSYC 4310	Thinking and Reasoning (formerly PSYC 4413) (Group A)	3
PSYC 4320	Consciousness (Group A)	3
PSYC 4420	Typical and Atypical Development (Group A)	3

Group B

Code	Title	Credit Hours
PSYC 1400	Introduction to Developmental Psychology (formerly PSYC 1240) (Group B)	3
PSYC 1510	Introduction to Social Psychology (formerly PSYC 1250) (Group B)	3
PSYC 1520	Introduction to Personality Psychology (formerly PSYC 1260) (Group B)	3
PSYC 2410	Child Development (formerly PSYC 3329) (Group B)	3
PSYC 2420	Adolescent Development (formerly PSYC 3332) (Group B)	3
PSYC 2430	Longevity and Aging (formerly PSYC 3347) (Group B)	3
PSYC 2530	Cross-Cultural Psychology (formerly PSYC 3430) (Group B)	3
PSYC 2540	Positive Psychology (formerly PSYC 4489)(Group B)	3
PSYC 2550	The Psychology of Gender (formerly PSYC 3348) (Group B)	3
PSYC 2570	Community Psychology (formerly PSYC 4497) (Group B)	3

PSYC 2610	Psychopathology: History and Theories (formerly PSYC 3335) (Group B)	3	PSYC 4720	Advanced Forensic Psychology (formerly PSYC 4438) (Group B)	3
PSYC 3160	Human Sexual Behaviour (formerly PSYC 3429) (Group B)	3	PSYC 4730	Offenders and Victims (formerly PSYC 4201) (Group B)	3
PSYC 3200	Industrial & Organizational Psychology (formerly PSYC 3327) (Group B)	3	PSYC 4740	Sexual Offending (formerly PSYC 4202) (Group B)	3
PSYC 3210	Occupational Health Psychology (formerly PSYC 3392) (Group B)	3	PSYC 4750	Psychology of Crime Victims (Group B)	3
PSYC 3230	Psychology of Leadership (formerly PSYC 3393) (Group B)	3	PSYC 4760	Contemporary Issues in Forensic Psychology (Group B)	3
PSYC 3321	Behavioural Analysis and Change (formerly PSYC 3386) (Group B)	3	Group C		
PSYC 3510	Group Dynamics and Intergroup Relations (formerly PSYC 3317) (Group B)	3	Code	Title	Credit Hours
PSYC 3530	Political Psychology (formerly PSYC 3431) (Group B)	3	PSYC 1000	Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C)	3
PSYC 3570	Leadership in Communities (formerly PSYC 3441) (Group B)	3	PSYC 2010	Research Methods in Psychology (formerly PSYC 2340) (Group C)	3
PSYC 3610	Psychopathology: Specific Disorders (formerly PSYC 3336) (Group B)	3	PSYC 2020	Psychological Statistics (formerly PSYC 2350) (Group C)	3
PSYC 3710	Psychology and Law (formerly PSYC 3320) (Group B)	3	PSYC 3826-3849	Special Topics in Psychology	3
PSYC 3720	Forensic Psychology (formerly PSYC 3338) (Group B)	3	PSYC 4010	Directed Research in Psychology (formerly PSYC 4445) (Group C)	3
PSYC 4130	Prevention and Treatment of Addictions (formerly PSYC 3351) (Group B)	3	PSYC 4020	Advanced Statistics (formerly PSYC 4401) (Group C)	3
PSYC 4160	Advanced Human Sexual Behaviour (formerly PSYC 4329) (Group B)	3	PSYC 4030	Psychological Measurement (formerly PSYC 4441) (Group C)	3
PSYC 4210	The Psychology of Organizational Development (formerly PSYC 4425) (Group B)	3	PSYC 4040	History of Psychology (formerly PSYC 4421) (Group C)	3
PSYC 4220	Personnel Training and Development (formerly PSYC 4426) (Group B)	3	PSYC 4050	Honours Seminar (formerly PSYC 4500) (Group C)	3
PSYC 4230	Organizational Psychology (formerly PSYC 4427) (Group B)	3	PSYC 4060	Honours Thesis (formerly PSYC 4549) (Group C)	6
PSYC 4240	Personnel Psychology (formerly PSYC 4428) (Group B)	3	PSYC 4070	Readings in Contemporary Psychology (formerly PSYC 4470)(Group C)	3
PSYC 4412	Behaviour Problems of Children (formerly PSYC 4450) (Group B)	3	PSYC 4080	Seminar in Psychology (formerly PSYC 4446) (Group C)	3
PSYC 4440	Children's Peer Relationships (formerly PSYC 4335) (Group B)	3	Psychology at the 1000 Level		
PSYC 4510	Interpersonal Relationships (formerly PSYC 4417) (Group B)	3	Students who wish to major in psychology should begin by selecting foundation courses from:		
PSYC 4520	Advanced Personality (formerly PSYC 4434) (Group B)	3	Code	Title	Credit Hours
PSYC 4550	Romantic Relationships (formerly PSYC 4326) (Group B)	3	PSYC 1000	Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C)	3
PSYC 4590	Attitudes and Persuasion (formerly PSYC 4432) (Group B)	3	PSYC 1100	Introduction to Biological Psychology (formerly PSYC 1210) (Group A)	3
PSYC 4610	Counselling and Psychotherapy I (formerly PSYC 4436) (Group B)	3	PSYC 1120	Introduction to Evolutionary Psychology (formerly PSYC 1220) (Group A)	3
PSYC 4611	Counselling and Psychotherapy II (formerly PSYC 4456) (Group B)	3	PSYC 1310	Introduction to Memory (formerly PSYC 1230) (Group A)	3
PSYC 4670	Applied Sport Psychology (formerly PSYC 3360) (Group B)	3	PSYC 1320	Introduction to Learning (formerly PSYC 1235) (Group A)	3
PSYC 4710	Advanced Psychology and Law (formerly PSYC 4443) (Group B)	3	PSYC 1400	Introduction to Developmental Psychology (formerly PSYC 1240) (Group B)	3
			PSYC 1510	Introduction to Social Psychology (formerly PSYC 1250) (Group B)	3

PSYC 1520	Introduction to Personality Psychology (formerly PSYC 1260) (Group B)	3
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Although recommended for majors, these 1000-level courses are open to other students and count towards Faculty of Arts Regulation 3d (<https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/faculties/faculty-science/bachelor-science---general-w-concentration/>). Students may take as many of these courses as they wish; however, they should be guided in their selection by the stated prerequisites for 2000 and 3000 level courses. Additionally, students in the Faculty of Arts should be mindful of the need to complete at least forty-eight (48) credit hours at the 2000 level or higher. Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C) (PSYC 1000) is **not** a prerequisite for other 1000-level psychology courses, but it is required for a Major in Psychology for both the B.A. and the B.Sc. programs.

Psychology as an Elective Subject

Students who wish to take psychology as an elective should begin with Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C) (PSYC 1000), which is a broad survey of the discipline. Completion of Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C) (PSYC 1000) will permit enrolment in selected psychology courses at the 2000 and 3000-level. Psychology courses at the 4000-level are normally available only to those planning an area of concentration or a major in the discipline. Students who meet the prerequisites of a 4000-level course or who obtain permission of the instructor, however, may register for the course. Arts students seeking to fulfill degree requirement 3d or who wish to minor in psychology, Science students seeking to fulfill degree requirement 3e, 6e, or 7b, or who wish to minor in psychology; and Commerce students seeking to fulfill degree requirement 5c should contact the Psychology Advisor for guidance in selecting courses relevant to their needs.

Minor in Psychology

Students from any of the three Faculties who wish to minor in Psychology must complete the following requirements:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
PSYC 1000	Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C)	3
Select a minimum of six credit hours in Group A PSYC courses		6
Select a minimum of six credit hours in Group B PSYC courses		6
Select a minimum of 12 credit hours in PSYC at the 3000 level or higher		12

Sufficient credit hours in PSYC to meet the minimum required by the students' own Faculty regulations for a Minor. For students in the Bachelor of Arts and Commerce degree programs, this minimum number of credit hours is twenty-four (24); in the Bachelor of Science degree program, this minimum number of credit hours is thirty (30).

Science Programs

The Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) is a well-established, foundational degree. Its specific requirements are listed below alongside general graduation requirements (<https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/faculties/faculty-science/bachelor-science/>).

Major in Psychology

Psychology is both a natural and a social science. Thus, students may major in Psychology and obtain a Bachelor of Science or a Bachelor of Arts degree. The major subject area course requirements for a Psychology Major are the same for both faculties: The required minimum forty-five (45) credit hours in PSYC must include the following:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
PSYC 1000	Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C)	3
PSYC 2010	Research Methods in Psychology (formerly PSYC 2340) (Group C)	3
PSYC 2020	Psychological Statistics (formerly PSYC 2350) (Group C)	3
Select a minimum of 12 credit hours in Group A PSYC courses*		12
Select a minimum of 12 credit hours in Group B PSYC courses*		12
Select a minimum of 18 credit hours in PSYC at the 4000-level		18

*Please see the course listings for Group A & B under *Programs - Undergraduate*.

For students majoring in Psychology, Psychological Statistics (formerly PSYC 2350) (Group C) (PSYC 2020) is a prerequisite for all 4000-level psychology courses. Students who have taken another statistics class may check with the Psychology Advisor to determine its equivalency. B.A. students who are taking Psychology as a major must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.00 (an average grade of C) in the courses used to meet the minimum credit hour requirements for the major. (Arts Regulation (<https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/faculties/faculty-arts/bachelor-arts---major/>)); B.Sc. students must achieve a minimum GPA of 2.20 in the major subject courses used to satisfy 6(d) (Science Regulation).

Students seeking a double major in Psychology and another subject must meet the requirements for a major in psychology as stated above. Students who are completing a double major in Psychology and Biology may substitute Biostatistics (BIOL 3308) in place of Psychological Statistics (formerly PSYC 2350) (Group C) (PSYC 2020).

Students who intend to declare a major in Psychology are advised to consult the Psychology Advisor as to whether the Bachelor of Science or the Bachelor of Arts is better suited to their career goals.

Concentration in Psychology – B.Sc. Requirements

Students Pursuing a Bachelor of Science - General degree may elect an area of concentration in Psychology. The specific requirements are listed under Bachelor of Science – General (with a Concentration) (<https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/faculties/faculty-science/bachelor-science---general-w-concentration/>) in this *Academic Calendar*. To satisfy 3 (d), the following is required:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Select a minimum of six credit hours in Group A PSYC courses*		6
Select a minimum of six credit hours in Group B PSYC courses*		6
PSYC 1000	Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C)	3

PSYC 2010	Research Methods in Psychology (formerly PSYC 2340) (Group C)	3
PSYC 2020	Psychological Statistics (formerly PSYC 2350) (Group C)	3
Select a minimum of three credit hours in PSYC at the 4000-level		3
Sufficient credit hours in PSYC to total a minimum of thirty (30) but no more than forty-two (42) credit hours in PSYC		

*Please see the course listings for Group A & B under *Programs - Undergraduate*.

For students seeking a concentration in psychology, Psychological Statistics (formerly PSYC 2350) (Group C) (PSYC 2020) is a prerequisite for all 4000-level psychology courses. Biostatistics (BIOL 3308) is an acceptable equivalent prerequisite for all 4000-level courses. Students who have taken another statistics class may check with the Psychology Advisor to determine its equivalency. Students seeking a concentration in psychology are required to complete Research Methods in Psychology (formerly PSYC 2340) (Group C) (PSYC 2010) and Psychological Statistics (formerly PSYC 2350) (Group C) (PSYC 2020) or Biostatistics (BIOL 3308).

Honours in Psychology

The Psychology Department offers honours study leading to a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) degree, a Bachelor of Science (Honours) degree, and a Certificate of Honours Standing (Honours Equivalency), Academic Regulation 25 (<https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/academic-regulations/regulations/certificate-honours-equivalency/>).

The honours program is intended for students of above average ability who wish to proceed to graduate work in psychology or related fields or who intend to pursue careers in psychology.

For admission to Honours in Psychology, program students at the time of application must have:

- a minimum CGPA of 3.00;
- completed at least eighteen (18) credit hours in PSYC courses, including Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C) (PSYC 1000);
- a minimum GPA of 3.70 in PSYC courses;
- a minimum grade of B in each of Research Methods in Psychology (formerly PSYC 2340) (Group C) (PSYC 2010) and Psychological Statistics (formerly PSYC 2350) (Group C) (PSYC 2020).

These requirements are minimum standards only. Because the Department has limited resources for offering the honours program, students who meet the minimum standards are not guaranteed admission.

Admission decisions are normally made in spring. Refer to the Department website for standard application deadlines. Applications from students who do not meet the minimum standards as outlined above at the time of application will not be processed.

The requirements for Honours in Psychology follow the general regulations for the Faculties of Arts and Science as stated in the *Calendar*. The course requirements are as follows: a minimum of sixty (60) credit hours in PSYC courses, including:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Select at least 12 credit hours from PSYC courses in Group A*		12
Select 12 credit hours from PSYC courses in Group B*		12
Of the minimum 60 credit hours, at least 36 must be at the 4000 level or above, including:		36
PSYC 4020	Advanced Statistics (formerly PSYC 4401) (Group C)	
PSYC 4040	History of Psychology (formerly PSYC 4421) (Group C)	
PSYC 4050	Honours Seminar (formerly PSYC 4500) (Group C)	
PSYC 4060	Honours Thesis (formerly PSYC 4549) (Group C)	
Total Credit Hours		60

*Please see the course listings for Group A & B under *Programs - Undergraduate*.

To determine a program of study that is appropriate to their future plans, honours students should consult with the Psychology Advisor.

Minor in Psychology

Students from any of the three Faculties who wish to minor in Psychology must complete the following requirements:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
PSYC 1000	Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C)	3
Select a minimum of six credit hours in Group A PSYC courses*		6
Select a minimum of six credit hours in Group B PSYC courses*		6
Select a minimum of 12 credit hours in PSYC at the 3000 level or higher		12

*Please see the course listings for Group A & B under *Programs - Undergraduate*.

Sufficient credit hours in PSYC to meet the minimum required by the students' own Faculty regulations for a Minor. For students in the Bachelor of Arts and Commerce degree programs, this minimum number of credit hours is twenty-four (24); in the Bachelor of Science degree program, this minimum number of credit hours is thirty (30).

Cooperative Education in Psychology

The cooperative education program in Psychology allows eligible students to complement their academic studies with experience in relevant work environments. The program involves the completion of a minimum of three terms of approved work experience, and generally takes one year longer to complete than the corresponding traditional degree. A "Cooperative Education" notation is added to the academic transcripts of students who successfully complete the requirements of the program in addition to their regular degree requirements.

Application to the program takes place via the Cooperative Education Office and is normally submitted after the second semester of Year 1. Admission to the program requires a minimum cumulative quality point average of 2.50 and a minimum quality point average of 3.00 in psychology courses.

Further detail concerning the requirements and regulations of the cooperative education program (<https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/>)

undergraduate/faculties/faculty-science/cooperative-education-programs-major-honours/) can be found in this *Calendar*, under Faculty of Science.

The Certificate in Human Resource Management

Students may enrol in the Certificate program in Human Resources Management as a stand-alone program, either prior to completing or following completion of a bachelor's degree. Students who major in psychology as part of either a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree may also obtain a certificate in Human Resource Management by selecting an appropriate set of interdisciplinary courses.

The combined program offers students a sound foundation in basic and applied topics relevant to either a career or graduate training in the field of Human Resource Management and related areas. Details on this certificate can be found under Human Resource Management (<https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/programs/human-resource-management/>) in this *Academic Calendar*.

Graduate Programs in Psychology

The Department offers a Master of Science degree in Applied Psychology with a concentration in Industrial/ Organizational Psychology or Forensic Psychology, and a Ph.D. in Industrial/Organizational Psychology. There are a limited number of placements available in these programs and competition for these positions is extremely high. For additional information on graduate programs see the Graduate Academic Calendar (<https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/graduate/>).

Arts Programs

The Bachelor of Arts (BA) is a well-established, foundational degree and requires the requirements listed below alongside general graduation requirements (<https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/faculties/faculty-arts/bachelor-arts/>).

Major in Psychology

Psychology is both a natural and a social science. Thus, students may major in Psychology and obtain a Bachelor of Science or a Bachelor of Arts degree. The major subject area course requirements for a Psychology Major are the same for both faculties: The required minimum forty-five (45) credit hours in PSYC must include the following:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
PSYC 1000	Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C)	3
PSYC 2010	Research Methods in Psychology (formerly PSYC 2340) (Group C)	3
PSYC 2020	Psychological Statistics (formerly PSYC 2350) (Group C)	3
Select a minimum of 12 credit hours in Group A PSYC courses*		12
Select a minimum of 12 credit hours in Group B PSYC courses*		12
Select a minimum of 18 credit hours in PSYC at the 4000-level		18

*Please see the course listings for Group A & B under *Programs - Undergraduate*.

For students majoring in Psychology, Psychological Statistics (formerly PSYC 2350) (Group C) (PSYC 2020) is a prerequisite for all 4000-level

psychology courses. Students who have taken another statistics class may check with the Psychology Advisor to determine its equivalency. B.A. students who are taking Psychology as a major must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.00 (an average grade of C) in the courses used to meet the minimum credit hour requirements for the major. (Arts Regulation (<https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/faculties/faculty-arts/bachelor-arts--major/>)); B.Sc. students must achieve a minimum GPA of 2.20 in the major subject courses used to satisfy 6(d) (Science Regulation (<https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/faculties/faculty-science/bachelor-science--major/>)).

Students seeking a double major in Psychology and another subject must meet the requirements for a major in psychology as stated above. Students who are completing a double major in Psychology and Biology may substitute Biostatistics (BIOL 3308) in place of Psychological Statistics (formerly PSYC 2350) (Group C) (PSYC 2020).

Students who intend to declare a major in Psychology are advised to consult the Psychology Advisor as to whether the Bachelor of Science or the Bachelor of Arts is better suited to their career goals.

Concentration in Psychology – B.A. Requirements

Students pursuing a General Bachelor of Arts degree may elect an area of concentration in psychology. In addition to meeting the requirements for a Minor program, students must complete:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
PSYC 1000	Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C)	3
PSYC 2010	Research Methods in Psychology (formerly PSYC 2340) (Group C)	3
PSYC 2020	Psychological Statistics (formerly PSYC 2350) (Group C)	3
Select at least three credit hours in PSYC at the 4000-level		3

In addition, the Faculty of Arts requires students pursuing a B.A. degree with Double Arts Concentration to complete a minimum of ninety (90) credit hours with at least twenty-four (24) credit hours in Psychology; students must maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 2.00. Further details are available from the Psychology Advisor.

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The honours program is intended for students of above average ability who wish to proceed to graduate work in psychology or related fields or who intend to pursue careers in psychology.

For admission to Honours in Psychology, program students at the time of application must have:

- a minimum CGPA of 3.00;
- completed at least eighteen (18) credit hours in PSYC courses, including Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C) (PSYC 1000);

- a minimum GPA of 3.7 in PSYC courses;
- a minimum grade of B in each of Research Methods in Psychology (formerly PSYC 2340) (Group C) (PSYC 2010) and Psychological Statistics (formerly PSYC 2350) (Group C) (PSYC 2020).

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The requirements for Honours in Psychology follow the general regulations for the Faculties of Arts and Science as stated in the *Calendar*. The course requirements are as follows: a minimum of sixty (60) credit hours in PSYC courses, including:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Select at least 12 credit hours from PSYC courses in Group A*		12
Select 12 credit hours from PSYC courses in Group B*		12
Of the minimum 60 credit hours, at least 36 must be at the 4000 level or above, including:		36
PSYC 4020	Advanced Statistics (formerly PSYC 4401) (Group C)	
PSYC 4040	History of Psychology (formerly PSYC 4421) (Group C)	
PSYC 4050	Honours Seminar (formerly PSYC 4500) (Group C)	
PSYC 4060	Honours Thesis (formerly PSYC 4549) (Group C)	
Total Credit Hours		60

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Code	Title	Credit Hours
PSYC 1000	Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C)	3
Select a minimum of six credit hours in Group A PSYC courses*		6
Select a minimum of six credit hours in Group B PSYC courses*		6
Select a minimum of 12 credit hours in PSYC at the 3000 level or higher		12

*Please see the course listings for Group A & B under *Programs - Undergraduate*.

Sufficient credit hours in PSYC to meet the minimum required by the students' own Faculty regulations for a Minor. For students in the Bachelor of Arts and Commerce degree programs, this minimum number

of credit hours is twenty-four (24); in the Bachelor of Science degree program, this minimum number of credit hours is thirty (30).

Cooperative Education in Psychology

The cooperative education program in Psychology allows eligible students to complement their academic studies with experience in relevant work environments. The program involves the completion of a minimum of three terms of approved work experience, and generally takes one year longer to complete than the corresponding traditional degree. A "Cooperative Education" notation is added to the academic transcripts of students who successfully complete the requirements of the program in addition to their regular degree requirements.

Application to the program takes place via the Cooperative Education Office and is normally submitted after the second semester of Year 1. Admission to the program requires a minimum cumulative quality point average of 2.50 and a minimum quality point average of 3.00 in psychology courses.

Further detail concerning the requirements and regulations of the cooperative education program (<https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/faculties/faculty-science/cooperative-education-programs-major-honours/>) can be found in this *Calendar*, under Faculty of Science.

The Certificate in Human Resource Management

Students may enrol in the Certificate program in Human Resources Management as a stand-alone program, either prior to completing or following completion of a bachelor's degree. Students who major in psychology as part of either a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree may also obtain a certificate in Human Resource Management by selecting an appropriate set of interdisciplinary courses.

The combined program offers students a sound foundation in basic and applied topics relevant to either a career or graduate training in the field of Human Resource Management and related areas. Details on this certificate can be found under Human Resource Management (<https://smu-ca-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/programs/human-resource-management/>) in this *Academic Calendar*.

Certificate in Forensic Psychology

Forensic Psychology refers broadly to the research and application of psychological knowledge to the justice system, including the empirical and theoretical knowledge of behaviour and decision-making of suspects, offenders, judges, lawyers, police, victims, jurors, and others involved in the justice system. Topics of study include police psychology, eyewitness memory, juror decision-making, crime victims, offender behaviour, criminal responsibility, and forensic risk and competency assessments.

Students may enrol in the Certificate program in Forensic Psychology as a stand-alone program, either prior to completing or following completion of a bachelor's degree. Students who major in psychology as part of either a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree may also obtain a Certificate in Forensic Psychology by selecting an appropriate set of courses. Please note that no more than 12 credit hours of courses required for the psychology major can be used to fulfil requirements for the certificate. Psychology students interested in this certificate may wish to take additional PSYC courses as degree electives to fulfil

the credit hour requirement. Students returning to Saint Mary's after completion of a psychology major will be required to take a minimum of 12 credit hours to fulfil requirements for this certificate.

Admission requirements for students who wish to complete the Certificate as a "stand alone" are the same as the admission requirements for the Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree OR a minimum of four years employment in a relevant field. Introduction to Psychology (formerly PSYC 1200) (Group C) (PSYC 1000), Research Methods in Psychology (formerly PSYC 2340) (Group C) (PSYC 2010) and Psychological Statistics (formerly PSYC 2350) (Group C) (PSYC 2020) are included in the admission requirements.

Students will earn the Certificate in Forensic Psychology by completing twenty-four (24) credit hours as indicated below. The mean GPA for all courses comprising this Certificate (24 credit hrs) must be at least 3.0.

Please note that some core courses have prerequisites that are not part of the Certificate, which will extend the duration of study for students entering the Certificate without a background in Psychology.

Note: Please view the Psychology Courses page within the Undergraduate Academic Calendar for course prerequisites. It is important to keep this in mind when planning your academic career.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Required Courses:		6
PSYC 3710	Psychology and Law (formerly PSYC 3320) (Group B)	
PSYC 3720	Forensic Psychology (formerly PSYC 3338) (Group B)	
Select at least nine (9) credit hours from the core courses listed below:		9
PSYC 4710	Advanced Psychology and Law (formerly PSYC 4443) (Group B)	
PSYC 4720	Advanced Forensic Psychology (formerly PSYC 4438) (Group B)	
PSYC 4730	Offenders and Victims (formerly PSYC 4201) (Group B)	
PSYC 4740	Sexual Offending (formerly PSYC 4202) (Group B)	
PSYC 4750	Psychology of Crime Victims (Group B)	
Select the remaining electives from the courses below:		9
PSYC 2610	Psychopathology: History and Theories (formerly PSYC 3335) (Group B)	
PSYC 3130	Drugs and Behaviour (formerly PSYC 3349) (Group A)	
PSYC 3610	Psychopathology: Specific Disorders (formerly PSYC 3336) (Group B)	
PSYC 4760	Contemporary Issues in Forensic Psychology (Group B)	
Total Credit Hours		24

Other courses may also be used to satisfy Certificate requirements (if they are directly related to forensic psychology and with permission from the Department Chair or Undergraduate Program Coordinator). For example: Directed Research in Psychology (formerly PSYC 4445) (Group C) (PSYC 4010), Honours Thesis (formerly PSYC 4549) (Group C) (PSYC 4060), or Seminar in Psychology (formerly PSYC 4446) (Group C) (PSYC 4080).