# Bachelor of Arts in Psychology Roadmap

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**Course** | **Title** | **Units**
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**First Semester**
PSY 111 | The Logic and Psychology of Critical Thinking | 3
GE Area A: Oral Communication (A1) | 3
GE Area A: Written English Communication (A2) | 3
GE Area D: U.S. History (D2) or U.S. and California Government (D3) | 3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective | 3

Units 15

**Second Semester**
PSY 171 | Quantitative Reasoning in Psychology | 3
GE Area C: Arts (C1) | 3
GE Area A: Written English Communication II (A4) | 3
or Written English Communication (A2) Stretch II
GE Area B: Physical Science (B1) and Laboratory Science (B3) | 3-4
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective | 3

Units 15-16

**Third Semester**
PSY 200 | General Psychology (GE Area D: D1) | 3
GE Area A: Written English Communication II (A4) if not already satisfied | 3
or Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective | 3
GE Area B: Life Science (B2) and Laboratory Science (B3) | 3-4
GE Area D: U.S. History (D2) or U.S. and California Government (D3) | 3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective | 3

Units 15-16

**Fourth Semester**
GE Area C: Arts (C1) or Humanities (C2) | 3
GE Area C: Humanities: Literature (C3) | 3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective or Minor Courses– Take Three | 9

Units 15

**Fifth Semester**
PSY 303 | Psychology: The Major and the Profession | 1

**Sixth Semester**
PSY 371 | Psychological Statistics | 3
Basic Area Courses- Take Two | 6
GE Area UD-B: Upper Division Physical and/or Life Sciences (Consider SF State Studies Course) | 3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective | 3

Units 16

**Seventh Semester**
PSY 305GW | Contemporary Issues in Psychology - GWAR | 3
Basic Area Course | 3
Major Elective | 7
GE Area UD-C: Upper Division Arts and/or Humanities (Consider SF State Studies Course) | 3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective | 3

Units 15

**Eighth Semester**
PSY 690 | Future Directions for Psychology Majors | 1
Basic Area Courses– Take Two | 6
Major Elective | 7
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective – Take Two | 5

Units 15

Total Units 121-123

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1. To avoid taking additional units, it is recommended that you meet LLD and SF State Studies requirements (AERM, GP, ES, SJ) within your GE or major.
2. ENG 114 can only be taken if you complete Directed Self-Placement (DSP) and select ENG 114; if you choose ENG 104/ENG 105 through DSP you will satisfy A2 upon successful completion of ENG 105 in the second semester; multilingual students may be advised into alternative English courses.
3. Consider taking a class combined with a laboratory or a separate lab to fulfill B3 if not already satisfied.
Complementary Studies
Bachelor of Arts students must complete at least 12 units of complementary studies from courses with a prefix other than PSY, and not cross-listed with PSY. (Note: Students may not use an alternate prefix that is cross-listed with the primary prefix for the major).

Students who complete two majors or a major and a minor automatically complete the complementary studies requirement.

Additional ways to complete complementary studies for students in the Psychology major include 12 units of languages other than English, 12 units from an approved Study Abroad program, 12 units from partial completion of a certificate, or 12 units from any combination of courses in ANTH, BIO, CAD, CJ, CSC, COUN, EDUC, ETHS, PHIL, and SOC, or a coherent group of courses approved by a major advisor as complementary to the major. All of the units must be separate from units counted in the major. Courses which fulfill the complementary studies requirement may be lower or upper division units, resident or transfer units, or units taken in approved study abroad programs. Consult with your major advisor for assistance. Students who have earned AA-T or AA-S degrees may use courses from community colleges to fulfill the Complementary Studies requirement provided the course has a prefix other than Psychology.

Students should consult with a major advisor about how transfer units and/or SF State units can best be applied to this requirement in order to ensure degree completion within 60 units.

Depending on courses completed through Early Start, students in Pathway/Category 3 or 4 may be required to enroll in a support course to complement their PSY 171 course (PSY 171 concurrently with MATH 122). Before enrolling in a B4 course, students should verify their MATH Pathway/Category in their Student Center (http://cms.sfsu.edu/content/student-center). Information regarding the courses that correspond with your MATH Pathway/Category can be found on the Developmental Studies Office Website (http://developmentalstudies.sfsu.edu).

Basic Courses (18 units)
Choose two courses from each of the following Areas 1 through 3:

- **Area 1: Basic Psychological Processes (6)**
  - PSY 432 Cognitive Development: Language, Thinking, and Perception (3 units)
  - PSY 491 Learning (3 units)
  - PSY 492 Perception (3 units)
  - PSY 493 Motivation (3 units)
  - PSY 494 Cognitive Psychology (3 units)
  - PSY 495 The Psychology of Human Memory (3 units)
  - PSY 498 Cognitive Neuroscience: Psychological Models (3 units)
  - PSY 531 Psycholinguistics (3 units)
  - PSY 581 Physiological Psychology I (3 units)
  - PSY 582 Physiological Psychology II (3 units)

- **Area 2: Psychological Development and Individual Differences (6)**
  - PSY 430 Adolescent Psychology (3 units)
  - PSY 431 Developmental Psychology (3 units)
  - PSY 433 Social, Emotional, and Personality Development (3 units)
  - PSY 434 The Psychology of Aging (3 units)
  - PSY 435 Behavior Problems of Children (3 units)
  - PSY 436 The Development of Femaleness and Maleness (4 units)
  - PSY 442 Health Psychology (3 units)
  - PSY 451 Theories of Personality (3 units)
  - PSY 452 Abnormal Psychology: Minor Variants of Personality (3 units)
  - PSY 521 Introduction to Clinical Psychology (3 units)

- **Area 3: Social, Cultural, Organizational and Community Contexts (6)**
  - PSY 430 Social Psychology (3 units)
  - PSY 441 The Psychology of the Family (3 units)
  - PSY 455 Cross-Cultural Perspectives in Psychology (3 units)
  - PSY 456 Psychology of Human Sexual Behavior (3 units)
  - PSY 461 Introduction to Industrial/Organizational Psychology (3 units)
  - PSY 462 Personnel Psychology (3 units)
  - PSY 463 Human Factors (3 units)
  - PSY 465 The Psychology of Work-Life Stress (3 units)
  - PSY 466 Training and Development in Organizations (3 units)
  - PSY 472 Introduction to Legal Psychology (3 units)
  - PSY 474 Psychology of Social Justice (3 units)
  - PSY 475 Psychology of Policing (3 units)
  - PSY 525 Community Psychology (3 units)
  - PSY 547 Social Conflict and Conflict Resolution (3 units)
  - PSY 558 Field Services Seminar (2 units)
  - PSY 559 Psychological Field Service (1-3 units)
  - PSY 645 Group Processes (3 units)
Electives (9 units)
Choose 3 elective courses from courses in Areas 1–3 and/or from the following additional upper-division psychology courses:

- PSY 300 Current Issues in Psychology (3 units)
- PSY 320 Sex and Relationships (3 units)
- PSY 330 Child Development (3 units)
- PSY 443 The Science of Happiness (3 units)
- PSY 450 Variations in Human Sexuality (3 units)
- PSY 571 Intermediate Psychological Statistics (3 units)
- PSY 601 Theoretical Backgrounds in Psychology (3 units)
- PSY 668 The Psychology of Leadership (3 units)
- PSY 680 Peer Advising in Psychology (3 units)
- PSY 685 Projects in the Teaching of Psychology (1-4 units)
- PSY 693 Proseminar I (3 units)
- PSY 694 Proseminar II (3 units)
- PSY 697 Senior Project Preparation (3 units)
- PSY 698 Senior Project in Psychology (3 units)
- PSY 699 Independent Study in Psychology (1-4 units)

Students may not apply both PSY 330 and PSY 431 towards their degree.

Students should not take Basic Area 1 courses in the same semester that they are taking PSY 371.