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Program Description
Psychology may be considered from a variety of perspectives, such as: (1) a natural or biological science; (2) a behavioral or social science; (3) an applied or professional field; or (4) a set of experiential or humanistic concerns. This multi-perspective approach is best illustrated in the Mission and Goals statement of the department (www.csub.edu/psychology/mission/index.html). The requirements for the major expose the student to the broad range of perspectives, problems, methodologies, and bodies of knowledge found in contemporary psychology. We believe that this foundation provides for the development of relevant skills, behaviors, and attitudes necessary for diverse professional fields, especially those related to the human services.

All declared majors are expected to confer regularly with their faculty advisors to ensure that the selection of courses will be most appropriate for the student’s career goals. The goals and objectives of the BA in Psychology can be found at the department’s website (www.csub.edu/psychology/mission/index.html).

Requirements for a Minor in Psychology
The minor in Psychology allows for individually designed study of the discipline of Psychology by non-majors. The minor consists of four or more letter-graded courses (12 semester units) in Psychology which must include the following: PSYC 1018; one foundation course (PSYC 2230, 2250, 3210, 3220, 3240, 3250, 3260, 3270 or 3280); and two additional upper-division Psychology courses. Courses proposed to fulfill the minor in Psychology must be approved by the Chair of the Department of Psychology.

Requirements for the Major in Psychology
Prerequisites (12 units)
PSYC 1018, 2018, 2020, 2030

Major Requirements (51 units)
1. Core Courses (9 units) PSYC 2110; 3110; 4900 or 4950
2. Four foundation courses. Two courses must be from Area “A” and two from Area “B” (12 units)
   a. Area A
      PSYC 2230, 3210, 3220, 3240
   b. Area B
      PSYC 2250, 3250, 3260, 3270, 3280
      One advanced topic/laboratory experience chosen from: PSYC 4210, 4220, 4230, 4240, 4250, 4260, 4270, 4280 (3 units)
3. Applications of psychology (3 units)
   One of the following: PSYC 4810, 4820, 4860, 4870, 4880
4. A minimum of four elective courses in Psychology. Two of these may be lower division, and one may be Credit/No Credit. Two must be upper division, letter-graded courses (12 units)
5. A minor is required, selected from one of the following three options: (12 units)
   a. A minor consisting of at least 12 semester units within a minor program designed by another discipline.
   b. An interdisciplinary concentration or minor in one of the specially developed areas (see “Interdisciplinary Concentrations and Minors”).
   c. A special minor.