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Mark Van Selst

• Professor of Psychology

Etiquette

• Professor (not Teacher)
  • Professor vs. Lecturer
  • Staff vs. Faculty Advisors (Department vs. GE, etc.)
• (Dr. Van Selst; Professor Van Selst; … “Dr. Mark”)

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CCC Transfer

- CCC courses are inherently “lower division”
  - Human Biology (or Human Anatomy)… [not General Biology]
  - Introductory Psychology
  - Introductory Statistics (must be in ASSIST or include one-way ANOVA)
  - Biological Psychology (BIOPSYC, PHYSIOPSYC, PSYCHOBIOLOGY)
  - One additional “PSYCHOLOGY” elective from CCC is permitted.

- At SJSU
  - course numbers ≤ 99 means “lower division”
  - course numbers ≥ 100 means “upper division”

- Lower division ≠ Upper division

AP courses

- AP Psychology (score of 3 or more) counts for PSYC 1
- AP Statistics (score of 3 or more) counts for STAT 95
Q: Can I still take CCC units?

A: yes, especially if you have <70 CCC units completed already. This is particularly relevant for summer and winter sessions (not covered by financial aid) which are quite expensive from a four-year institution and much cheaper from a CCC. Note that the “unit limitations” may apply to accumulated units but you can still use these course to meet SJSU lower division degree requirements (towards GE or Psychology, etc.)
Potential CCC coursework (Lower Division Courses)

- Human Biology
- General Biology
- Elementary Statistics
- Introductory Psychobiology

Lower Division Elective

BA Psychology
### Upper Division Courses (must be from a four-year institution)

**BA Psychology**

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#### LOWER-DIVISION CORE COURSES

- General Psychology: PSYC 001
- Elementary Statistics: STAT 095
- Introductory Psychobiology: PSYC 030

#### UPPER-DIVISION COURSES

- Writing Workshop (required, no waiver): PSYC 100W
- Child Psychology: PSYC 102
- Abnormal Psychology: PSYC 110
- Research Methods: PSYC 120
- Fundamentals: Cognition, Learning, or Perception: PSYC 135, 155, or 158
- Human Aspects: Personality, or Social: PSYC 139 or PSYC 154
- Assessment: Tests & Measures, or Intermediate Statistics: PSYC 117 or STAT 115
- Focus: Neuroscience, Clinical, or Industrial/Organizational: PSYC 129, 160, or 170

#### PSYCHOLOGY ELECTIVES

- Upper Division Elective
- Upper Division Elective
- Lower- OR Upper-Division Elective

#### UPPER-DIVISION CAPSTONE

- Current Issues or Honors Seminar: PSYC 190 or PSYC 195
- Additional Upper or Lower Division PSY Elective(s) if the non-shaded units do not total 46 (counting up to 12 units lower-division)

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Psychology majors must present this form, their Application for Graduation form (search SJSU online), and a signed and sealed Minor Form (from minor department if's declared minor) to a Psychology Advisor (faculty).

Notes:

1. Each quarter unit = .67 semester units; 5 quarter units = 3.33 semester units; total units within the major should be ≥ 42 units
2. For courses that are planned indicate “TB” as the latter grade. For courses in progress indicate “IP” as the latter grade.
3. A grade of “D-” or better counts toward fulfillment of the major, but the overall Psychology GPA must be ≥ 2.0 (see academic calendar)
Q: But I took Abnormal Psychology at a CCC, do I still have to take Abnormal Psychology at SJSU?

A(1): yes

lower division coursework ≠ upper division coursework

A(2): if you got an “A” or “B” in your lower division course AND you are not planning to pursue clinical type training, then you might ask the instructor of the upper division course if it is possible to request “credit by examination” (if passed, your upper division course grade would be “CR” [credit]) and thus the caution on graduate pursuits)
Q: I took a stats course but it does not appear in assist for STAT 95 at SJSU? – OR – I took a stats course but it appears as SOCI 15 / BUS 10 at SJSU? Can it still count for STAT 95?

A(1): possibly. If a transfer student, check for course articulation between your CC and SJSU – just because it has a similar name does NOT mean the course will automatically qualify. Similarly, even if we do not have a posted articulation agreement with your transfer institution, we MAY accept the course (see an advisor to confirm any non-posted articulation – you MAY need a departmental course equivalency form [Psychology Office] to tell future advisors that the course has been deemed as an acceptable alternative for psychology).
Unit Limitations and Unit Requirements

- California law requires you to have \( \geq 120 \) units in order to graduate with a baccalaureate degree.
- Of these \( 120+ \) units, \( \leq 70 \) units can be from a two-year institution (CCC).
  - CCC Units are split off and summed separately from course names/content.
  - Above 70 units the excess CCC units are discarded, the course content remains and can meet content graduation requirements.
    - “extra” CCC units can still meet content requirements even if the CCC units will not add towards the 120 total (e.g., taking biological psychology at a CCC even though you already have 71 units from the CCC system).

\( \geq 50 \) units from a four-year institution (e.g., from SJSU)
\( \geq 30 \) units @ SJSU (in order to graduate from SJSU)
\( \geq 40 \) units upper division (in order to graduate with a baccalaureate degree)

- For the BA, at least 24 units must be “unique to the program” (not used for other program requirements [e.g., a minor]).
- For the BS, at least 36 units must be “unique to the program” (not used for other program requirements [e.g., a minor]).
- For any minor, at least 12 units must be “unique to the program” (not used for other program requirements [e.g., your BA/BS program]).
• But I already took ABNORMAL Psychology?
  • CCC courses are inherently lower division, CCC abnormal can count as a “lower division elective” but is different from the required upper division course.

• Can “General Biology” count instead of human biology or human anatomy?
  • No. A year of biology for biologists or maybe a semester of human physiology might count, but general biology is not acceptable.

• Does AP Psychology “count” for PSYC 1?
  • Yes! (with a score of ≥ 3)
WST General Information: In 1977, the Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR) was implemented system-wide through all the CSU campuses to evaluate university level writing skills.

For Undergraduate Students: All students must pass both the WST and 100W course in order to satisfy the GWAR. All students are required to complete the GWAR prior to graduation unless the requirement has been met through other approved provisions.

Register for PSYC 100W as soon as possible

WST ➔ PSYC 100W [Writing Workshop]
   ➔ PSYC120 [Methods]
   ➔ PSYC 190 [Capstone])

SJSU Studies (R, S, V)
Psychology → undergraduate → two year planner

1) Remaining requirements to fulfill:
   - lower GE
   - Human Biology [BIOL 21/65]
   - Intro Psychology [PSYC 1]
   - Psychobiology [PSYC 30]
   - Elementary Statistics [STAT 95]

2) Writing Workshop (requires WST)
   - [PSYC 100W]

3) Child Psychology [PSYC 102]
4) Abnormal Psychology [PSYC 110]

5) In support of minor (if applicable)
6) As benefits graduate program sequence
7) PSYC 117 (or STAT 115) if strong in statistics (esp. if without WST)
8) Personality [139] or Social [154]
9) Other “later” courses (check prerequisites)

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**PLAN YOUR SCHEDULE**

**SJSU Psychology Department Course Planner**

2yr plan for Transfer Students with their WST (after Fall/07)

**Baccalaureate in Arts**

This plan assumes that you are transferring with 60 semester hours, and have completed your Core GE, American Institutions, and Physical education requirements at your community college. A maximum of 70 community college (lower division) units can contribute to the required 120 units for graduation. This planner assumes you have passed the Writing Skills Test prior to your first semester at SJSU.

As Psychology majors, we assume you have completed the lower division Psychology core at your community college (equivalent to Psyc 1, Stat 95 and PSyc 30) and the human biology supporting course (equivalent to Bio 21 or 65). If you have taken any other Psychology courses at your community college, be sure to check with a Psychology advisor at SJSU to see if the extra course can count as the “upper or lower division Psychology elective”. If you attended a College on the quarter system, be sure to meet with an advisor to discuss the number of psychology units that transfer.

In the table below, year refers to year at SJSU. These correspond to your junior and senior years.

You do not NEED to declare a minor. If you choose not to do so, any university-level course from any department can replace the “minor” classes.

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For the honors sequence, see an advisor (see www.psych.sjsu.edu for requirements)

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1 To schedule an appointment or for additional information go to: https://testing.sjsu.edu/twst.html
2 PSYC 100W fulfills the SJSU studies “upper division GE” requirement for area Z (writing)
3 This plan allows you to complete a minor (in a discipline other than Psychology) that requires an additional 15 units of coursework in addition to that from the community college. In lieu of a minor any open elective from any discipline (including psychology) can be taken.
4 You need one course from each area of SJSU Studies. Detailed information can be found at http://info.sjsu.edu/static/acc-fall/sjstudies.html

Revised 2008 format. PA07 major requirements
Impaction means that PSYCHOLOGY courses fill up VERY fast. Follow course availability on MySJSU in the days before you register; build your schedule accordingly.

Do NOT rely on working your way through a waitlist; to ensure a full schedule, pre-enroll in the minimum 12 units while waiting for available courses to become available (up to your 15 unit load).
"The BA, but more, with a research focus"

ADDED:
- Three preparation courses (Chemistry, Biology, and/or Philosophy)
- Other courses MAY be acceptable...
- Two "Advanced Lab" methods courses (PSYC 121a-e)
- Cognition/Learning/Perception (+1 vs. BA)
- Social and Personality (+1 vs. BA)
- Tests & Measures and Stats (+1 vs. BA)

SUBTRACT:
- One upper division elective

BS Psychology

Your first semester planner is similar to BA Psychology... see the web
Departmental Honors at Graduation (BA or BS)

+ “Advanced Lab” methods course (PSYC 121a-e)

+ Tests & Measures AND Intermediate Statistics (PSYC 117, STAT 115)

+ “DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARLY WORK” Honors Seminar (PSYC 195) Capstone OR Publication / Presentation OR Honors Thesis

+ 3.5 Psychology Grade Point Average
+ 3.5 Methods, etc. Grade Point Average
http://testing.sjsu.edu/

AP exams
(already covered, need a score of 3+ to count towards lower division psychology requirements)

COLLEGE LEVEL EXAMINATION PROGRAM
CLEP exams are a way of awarding credit for knowledge that does not currently show up on your transcript. Typically Psychology Majors use a CLEP test (e.g., SPANISH) to build “units” towards the 120 minimum if they would not achieve the minimum units to graduation via their program(s) of study.
Financial Aid ([http://www.sjsu.edu/faso/](http://www.sjsu.edu/faso/))

• Generally you need to be enrolled in (and pass) a minimum of 12 units per semester to receive financial aid.

• Does NOT cover Summer / Winter

• Extremely high lifetime unit counts will eliminate eligibility

• Do not believe anything I say, talk to the financial aid folks directly.
Priority Registration

http://www.sjsu.edu/registrar/students/registration/registration_priority_group/

- Impaction makes your registration date VERY important
- Being a note-taker will bump you to priority status
- Being involved in student government or other qualified scheduling-limited organizations or activities (Intercollegiate Athletics) will bump you to priority status

Group One
- New entering educational equity students
- Appropriately certified students with disabilities
- Veterans and active service members
- Certain students who represent or serve San José State University (athletics, student government...)
- Students in certain programs with rigid registration requirements
- Foster youths

Group Two
- First-Time Freshmen (registration is completed through Frosh Orientation)

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Your *Human Biology* or *Human Anatomy* requirement MUST be met with an in-person laboratory experience *(no online laboratory credit)*.

If you pursue *Cal State Online* or *Coursematch* offerings (which may speed your graduation and/or provide additional options under impaction) you should check with a psychology advisor to assess the transferability of the course towards meeting requirements in the major here at SJSU.
Upper Division GE (9 units) + Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR, 0--3 units): *Integrated Knowledge of an Educated Person*

These courses will help students become integrated thinkers who can see connections between and among a variety of concepts and ideas. An educated person will be able to apply concepts and foundations learned in one area to other areas as part of a lifelong learning process. These courses will help students to live and work intelligently, responsibly, and cooperatively in a multicultural society and to develop abilities to address complex issues and problems using disciplined analytical skills and creative techniques. A minimum aggregate GPA of 2.0 in GE Areas R, S, & V shall be required of all students (University Policy S12--9)

- Earth and the Environment (AREA R)
- Self, Society, & Equality in the U.S. (AREA S) [PSYC 191: Psychology of Prejudice]
- Culture, Civilization, & Global Understanding (AREA V)
- Written Communication II (AREA Z: CSU GWAR) [PSYC 100W: Writing Workshop]

You do **NOT** need to take PSYC 191 although that **MAY** be a good fit for your interests. You **SHOULD** take a diversity of courses and attempt to honor the intention of the upper division GE breadth requirements.
You need to make 3 “people” happy:

1) unit “person” (120 units, etc.)
2) university requirements “person” (Lower division GE, SJSU Studies, American Institutions, PE, gpa minimums, …)
3) your major advisor (me)
4) your minor advisor (if applicable)

Look at grad school requirements starting today.

Plan your full two year schedule… even though you won’t actually get all of the classes you need when you want them, it is a good exercise.
Probation and Disqualification

DO NOT DO THIS (and please search for the “official version” for definitive statements)

If your SJSU gpa is <2.0 for two semesters in a row, you will be on probation. If, when on probation, you have a semester with a <2.0 gpa… you will be disqualified.

In essence the only “real” way to return from disqualification is to take SJSU courses to bring your gpa back up to 2.0 then use a Former Student Returning petition to bolster your reapplication during the normal Fall/Spring cycle.

ASK FOR HELP – Academic Advising and Retention Services (AARS), Peer Connections, your faculty, Equal Opportunity Program (EOP), the College Advising Center (ACCESS) – as soon as you begin to think that you might be heading for trouble