PSYCHOLOGY (BA,BS)
Degree Plan (PSYCHBA, PSYCHBS)

GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM

GEC 01. Written Communication (6 hours)
01. ENG 101  Composition One
02. ENG 102  Composition Two

GEC 02. Basic Science and Mathematics (11 hours minimum)
Science Requirement (8 hours minimum)
01. Select 2 courses with labs:
  AST 111/L  General Astronomy & Lab
  AST 112/L  General Astronomy & Lab
  BSC 103/L  Biology and Society & Lab
  BSC 110/L  Principles of Biology I & Lab
  BSC 111/L  Principles of Biology II & Lab
  BSC 250/L  Anatomy & Physiology I & Lab
  BSC 251/L  Anatomy & Physiology II & Lab
  CHE 104/L  Chemistry in our Environment & Lab
  CHE 106/L  General Chemistry I & Lab
  CHE 107/L  General Chemistry II & Lab
  GHY 104/L  Weather & Climate & Lab
  GHY 105/L  Landforms, Hydrology, Bio. & Lab
  GLY 101/L  Physical Geology & Lab
  GLY 103/L  Historical Geology & Lab
  MAR 151/L  Intro. To Ocean Science & Lab
  PHY 111/L  General Physics I(Algebra Based) & Lab
  PHY 112/L  General Physics II(Algebra Based) & Lab
  PHY 201/L  General Physics I (Calculus Based) & Lab
  PHY 202/L  General Physics II (Calculus Based) & Lab
  PSC 190/L  Living in a Material World & Lab
Mathematics Requirement (3 hours)
02. MAT 101 or higher Mathematics College Algebra

GEC 03. Humanities (9hours)
01. ENG 203 World Literature
02. Select 2 courses, 1 History required:
  HIS 101  World Civ I
  HIS 102  World Civ II
  PHI 151  Intro to Philosophy
  PHI 171  Ethics and Good Living
  REL 131  Comparative Religion

GEC 04. Aesthetic Values (3 hours)
01. Select 1 course:
  ART 130  Art Appreciation
  DAN 130  Dance Appreciation
  MUS 365  Enjoyment of Music
  THE 100  Theater Appreciation

GEC 05. Decision-Making and Responsibility (6 hours)
01. Select PSY 110 plus 1 other course
  PSY 110*  General Psychology
  ANT 101  The Human Experience
  COH 100  Concepts of Wellness
  EOC 101  Basic Economics
  PS 101  American Government
  SOC 101  Understanding Society: Principles of Sociology
  GHY 101  World Geography

GEC 06. Computer Competency Requirement* (Major Area)
01. PSY 360  Intro Stat Behavioral Science

GEC 07. Writing-Intensive Requirement* (Major Area)
01. PSY 361 (WI)  Research Methods
   ENG 101 & ENG 102 prerequisites

GEC 08. Oral Communication Requirement* (3 hours)
01. CMS 111  Oral Communication

GEC 09. Capstone Requirement* (Major Area)
01. PSY 475 (Capstone)  Senior Seminar in Psychology
   Must be taken Senior Year; ENG 101 & ENG 102 prerequisites
*This particular GEC course is required for this major.
◊ GEC restrictions apply; see page 86.
For full description of the GEC, see page 84.

PROGRAM CURRICULUM

DEG 01. Major Area of Study Requirements (51 hours)
Minimum grade of “C” required in all Major Area of Study courses.
Minimum USM GPA is 2.0.
01. PSY 110  General Psychology
02. PSY 251  Careers in Psychology
03. PSY 360  Intro Stat Behavioral Science
04. PSY 361 (WI)  Research Methods
05. PSY 418  History and Systems of Psychology
06. PSY 475 (Capstone)  Senior Seminar in Psychology
07. Select 1 course:
   PSY 270  Child Psychology
   PSY 275  Developmental Psychology
   PSY 372  Adolescent Psychology
08. Select 1 course:
   PSY 420  Sensation and Perception
   PSY 426  Behavioral Neuroscience
09. Select 1 course:
   PSY 422  Psychology of Learning
   PSY 424  Animal Behavior
   PSY 425  Cognitive Psychology
10. Select 1 course:
   PSY 436  Abnormal Psychology
   PSY 455  Psychology of Personality
11. Select 1 course:
   PSY 450  Social Psychology
   PSY 451  Survey of Industrial & Organization (Except PSY 491)
12. Select 18 hours from Department of Psychology

DEG 02. Additional Requirements (0-9 hours)
03. Candidates for the BA must complete the Foreign Language Requirement: 9 hours in a single foreign language.

DEG 03. Electives-(38 hours)
01. Choose electives as needed.
   (See Hours to Degree below.)

Note: PSY 491 is offered on a pass/fail basis only and will not count toward the Psychology major or Psychology electives. A maximum of 6 hours of 491 may count toward the degree.

HOURS TO DEGREE
124 hours are needed to graduate with a BA or BS in Psychology. At least 50% of the hours applied to a degree at the University of Southern Mississippi must be earned in a senior college and 45 of these hours must be in courses numbered 300 or above. The last 25% of course work must be earned from Southern Miss. The student must earn at least 12 hours in the major area of study from Southern Miss.