NEW AND EFFECTIVE AS OF FALL, 2012

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

PREREQUISITE COURSES FOR 2000 LEVEL OR HIGHER PSYCHOLOGY COURSES

Introduction to Psychology (PSYC-1001) is prerequisite to taking most courses at the 2000 level and above. If an introductory psychology course was taken at another university, it is not necessary to take an additional introductory psychology course in our department.

CAPSTONE EXPERIENCE

General Education requires each major to complete a capstone experience. For Psychology the capstone experience is the Research Method requirement beyond PSYC2001C and 2002C.

NON COURSE BASED CREDIT: PRACTICA AND INDEPENDENT STUDIES

Students are encouraged to gain practical experience by electing various independent study (IS) options. Unique learning opportunities exist. Most of these experiences are to be arranged prior to signing up for credit. In most cases the responsibility for arranging these experiences is the student's. Often notification of opportunities are sent as e-mails and posted in the department.

PSYC2099	Independent Study
PSYC2098	Fieldwork Practicum
PSYC2097	Research Practicum
PSYC2096	Teaching Practicum

TRANSFER CREDITS

Coursework in psychology above an introductory level taken prior to entering Arts & Sciences and passed with a minimum grade of C is permitted to be applied toward the major. All courses taken outside of the Psychology department must be approved by a psychologyadvisor to count toward major credit.

For a course transferred from outside of the university to satisfy an individual group requirement as listed on the checklist for the major. The course must be shown to be substantially the same as the one taught in the department. See the undergraduate advisor for information on the procedure for obtaining approval.

Regardless of the number of psychology credits completed elsewhere, transfer students are required to complete a minimum of 12 hours of course work within the Psychology Department.

MINORS AND CERTIFICATES

Certificates and minors in various areas of the liberal arts and sciences are available from McMicken College of Arts and Sciences. For more information call college office 556-5860 or visit www.artsci.uc.edu/collegemain/programs

Certificates in various areas of business (management, marketing, finance, quantitative analysis, etc) and a minor in business administration are available and may be a useful addition to your degree. COB program office 556-7030 or business.ua@uc.edu.

Certificates are also available from the College of Education, Criminal Justice and Human Services (CECH) in various areas including criminal justice, addiction studies, deaf studies, and child abuse recognition. For more information please contact CECH at 556-2335 or visit http://www.cech.uc.edu/programs

The Department of Psychology does offer a minor in psychology as well as a minor and major in Human Resources.

ADVISING FOR THE PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR

Undergraduate Advising is available in room 4130J 1 Edwards; (513) 556-5579, e-mail <u>psycadvisor@uc.edu</u> or from Psychology Faculty. Our advising is limited to the major only. Any questions regarding College requirements should be directed to the College office (French Hall, 556-5860).

Psi Chi and Psychology Club offer additional programs during the year focused on future career and graduate school. The Career Development Center is a good source of job opportunities and preparation for job searches.

PSI CHI AND PSYCHOLOGY CLUB

Psi Chi is the National Psychology Honor Society. Qualified majors are invited to participate.. For additional information, contact Dr. Mike Richardson, Psi Chi Advisor, 4150B Edwards, phone number 556-5592 and look for the Psi Chi web page on the department's undergraduate web page.

All psychology majors are welcomed members of the Psychology Club. The Club provides both social and professional opportunities. For additional information, contact Dr. Sarah Anderson, Psychology Club faculty advisor, 4150F One Edwards, phone number 556-5611.

DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

Students meeting the following requirements may graduate with departmental honors:

- 1) A minimum of 3.5 GPA in Psychology courses
- 3) Completion of a senior thesis (can be taken for credit, PSYC 4038).

Please direct any questions regarding departmental honors to Dr. Kevin Shockley, Coordinator of the Psychology Honors Program, 4150D Edwards, 556-3124.

SENIOR THESIS

A senior thesis project may be completed without pursuing departmental honors. Please note a thesis is not required for the degree. To complete a senior thesis project, a student must seek approval from a faculty supervisor prior to signing up for credit (PSYC 4038) or pursuing the research.

DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

Four departmental awards are offered each year: the Doris Twitchell Allen Award for Outstanding Senior Woman; the Claire Hubert Award for Outstanding Senior Man; the William David Smith Award for Scholarly Work that improves the quality of life for African-Americans; and the Arthur Bills Research Award. While only faculty within the department may nominate a student for the Bills Award, nominations for the other three awards may be submitted to the Director of Undergraduate Studies by anyone. Self-nominations are welcome. Deadline for nominations is the end of the first week in April.

WEBSITES OF INTEREST

Psychology:

Department of Psychology

American Psychological Association

Psi Chi General:

University of Cincinnati

One Stop Student Service Center

University Honors Scholar

http://www.artsci.uc.edu/psychology

http://www.apa.org/

http://www.psichi.org/

http://www.uc.edu

http://onestop.uc.edu

http://www.uc.edu/honors