What do I do now that I am a Psychology Major?

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NOTE: A grade of C or higher must be earned in all courses used for the major. Psychology courses with a grade of D that are not required for the major may count as an elective AND will count towards the 120 hours needed for graduation.

In addition to those courses listed above students must complete:
- 38 hours of General Education courses:
  Communication (9) (6-English Composition, 3-Public Speaking)
  Humanities (9) (at least 3-English Literature)
  Natural Sciences (8)
  Math (3)
  American History (6) – Must be taken AFTER ENGL1010/1020
  Social Sciences(6) – General Psychology counts towards 3 of these hours
- A minimum of 42 hours of upper division courses (3000 and 4000 level)
- Complete 120 total hours

A minor in Psychology consists of PSYC 2010 and 18 hours of upper division psychology courses

Helpful websites:
B.S. Psychology Homepage
http://www.tnstate.edu/psychology/Bspsych.aspx
To look up information about various psychology related jobs
http://www.onetonline.org/
Career-related sites American Psychological Association
http://psyccareers.apa.org/ and Association for Psychological Science
http://www.psychologicalscience.org/
### LOWER DIVISION PSYCHOLOGY COURSES
- **UNIV 1000** Orientation (1).
- **PSYC 2010** General Psychology (3).
- **PSYC 2180** Elementary Statistics (3).

### UPPER DIVISION PSYCHOLOGY COURSES
**ATTENTION:** You MUST take PSYC 2010 BEFORE taking any 3000 or 4000 level Psychology course. Other Prerequisites are listed below. Plan ahead!

- **PSYC 3150** Principles of Learning (3)
- **PSYC 3180** Computer Applications and Technical Writing (3). *Prerequisite: C or better in PSYC2180*
- **PSYC 3210** Abnormal Psychology (3).
- **PSYC 3230** The Psychology of the Black Experience (3).
- **PSYC 3300** Physiological Psychology (3).
- **PSYC 3310** Principles of Human Sexuality (3).
- **PSYC 3410** Social Psychology (3).
- **PSYC 3510** Developmental Psychology (3).
- **PSYC 3530** The Psychology of Death and Dying (3).
- **PSYC 4110 or 4115/4116** Foundations of Psychological Investigations Lab (1). *Pre- or Co-requisite: PSYC 3180. (Note: 4110 and 4115/4116 must be taken with the same instructor.)* *Note must also have made C or better in PSYC 2180.*
- **PSYC 4130** Human Learning and Cognitive Processes (3).
- **PSYC 4210** Sensation and Perception (3).
- **PSYC 4240** Behavior Modification (3).
- **PSYC 4250** Introduction to Personality Theory (3).
- **PSYC 4360 Field Placement in Psychology** (3). *Pre-requisite: PSYC 3210, and either PSYC 3360 or PSYC 4370, and permission of the instructor.*
- **PSYC 4370** Fundamentals of Counseling (3).
- **PSYC 4400.** Drugs and Behavior (3).
- **PSYC 4500 Senior Project** (3). *Pre-requisite: C or better in PSYC 2180, PSYC 3180, PSYC 4110, and either PSYC 4115 or 4116.*
- **PSYC 4820 Senior Seminar** (3). *Pre-requisite: C or better in PSYC 2180, 3180, 4110, and either PSYC 4115 or 4116.
- **PSYC 4851, 4516, 4517** (3). Readings and Research in Psychology (3,3,3). *Pre-requisite: 12 hrs. of upper division psychology courses, B or higher in 2180.
- **PSYC 4605, 4606, 4607, 4608** Special Topics in Psychology (3,3,3,3).
- **PSYC 4620 Introduction to Psychological Tests and Measurement** (3).
- **PSYC 4810 History and Systems of Psychology** (3).

### RECOMMENDED COURSES IN OTHER DEPTS:
- **HPSS 3200** (3) Sport Psychology
- **ENGL 4950** (3) Research Writing

### WHAT JOBS ARE THERE FOR PSYCHOLOGY MAJORS?**

#### BUSINESS AREA
*(A minor in Business would be helpful)*
- Advertising agent Claims specialist
- Customer relations Employee Counselor
- Job analyst Loan Officer
- Management Trainee Marketing Representative
- Marketing researcher Media buyer
- Occupational analyst Personnel worker
- Public relations Public information officer
- Sales representative Small business owner
- Store manager Staff training/development

#### MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AREA
*(minor in non-profit management, social work or courses in criminal justice and sociology would be helpful)*
- Probation officer Case worker
- Program manager Substance abuse counselor
- Employment counselor Child protection worker
- Rehabilitation advisor Residential youth counselor
- Corrections officer Family service worker
- Counselor aide Group home coordinator
- Social service director Daycare center supervisor

#### OTHER POSITIONS
- Newspaper reporter Affirmative action officer
- Congressional aide Community relations officer
- Child care worker Director of alumni relations
- College recruiter College admissions counselor
- Director of fund raising Park and recreation director
- Technical writer Hospital patient services rep.
- Statistical assistant Community recreation worker

### What if I want to go to Graduate School?
If you think you are interested in continuing onto a graduate program you should start early to gain research or field experience. Use opportunities in the summer either after your sophomore or junior year to take advantage of the many research and field opportunities available throughout the country. Remember the key is to start early to make yourself as competitive as possible for the best programs.

In addition here are some specifics:
- Do you have a Curriculum Vitae (CV)?
- Have you taken the GRE or MAT?
- Do you need to take a GRE subject test?
- What degree or program are you interested in applying to and what are their deadlines?
- Have you written your personal statement?
- Have you asked your references to write letters on your behalf *(give them 4 weeks notice)*?

### NEED HELP DECIDING ON A CAREER?
Go to TSU’s Career Development Center and find out how to take the online KUDER test of career interests.