San Francisco State University

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Outline

• Overview of the Department
• Overview of the Major
• Recommendations & Resources
• Opportunities for Involvement
• Q & A
Psychology Department

- 21 Tenured/Tenure Track Faculty
  - Clinical; Social; Developmental; Mind, Brain, & Behavior; School;
    Industrial/Organizational, Legal
- 20 Adjunct Faculty
- 3 Administrative Staff; 1 Student Assistant
- 1,100 Undergraduates; 150 Graduate Students
Psychology Major (41 Units)

Core
(14 Units)

Area 1 (6 Units)
Area 2 (6 Units)
Area 3 (6 Units)
Electives (9 Units)
Core Course Sequencing

- PSY 200 - SOPHOMORE YEAR
- PSY 303 - FALL SEMESTER JUNIOR YEAR
- PSY 371 - FALL SEMESTER JUNIOR YEAR
- PSY 400 - SPRING SEMESTER JUNIOR YEAR
- PSY 690 - FINAL SEMESTER SENIOR YEAR
- PSY 305 (GWAR) - JUNIOR/SENIOR YEAR
Success-Focused Courses

• PSY 303 (Psychology: The Major and Profession)
• Online, one-unit, first semester major course
• Includes information about major and roadmap
• Assignments
  • Meet with Psychology advisor
  • Develop a personal roadmap
  • Participate in psychological research
Success-Focused Courses

- PSY 690 (Future Directions for Psychology Majors)
- Online, one-unit, final semester major course
- Includes information about graduation and career planning
- Assignments
  - Meet with a career mentor
  - Conduct an informational interview with a practitioner
  - Develop a resume
  - Participate in psychological research
Recommendations

• Sign up for orientation!
• Get advising early
• Get tutoring when needed
• Visit office hours- don’t wait until it’s too late!
• Talk with a faculty advisor about career options or grad school
• Seek experiences outside of classroom (research, teaching, community, etc)
Student Resources to Assist You at SFSU

• Advising Resources
  • Faculty, peer, and staff advising
  • CoSE student success center

• Technological resources
  • SMART classrooms
  • Software: Office, Box, Zoom, etc.

• Health & Well-Being Resources
  • Psychology clinic
  • Dean-on-Call program
  • Disability Programs & Resource Center

• Financial resources
  • Scholarships and awards (e.g., alumni association scholarship)
Opportunities for Student Involvement
Teaching Assistants & Peer Advising

Earn credits towards your major
Research Assistants in Faculty Labs
Honors Program

Provides students with an opportunity to conduct an independent research project with a faculty mentor.

Excellent preparation for students who plan to pursue graduate studies.
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Purpose of encouraging, stimulating, and maintaining excellence in scholarship and advancing the science of psychology
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