

Psychology Minor - Secondary and K-12 Teacher Certification

Successful completion of this minor, in the context of other program requirements, qualifies the student for recommendation for endorsement in psychology, certification code CE. The Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC) covering this field is #11, "Psychology."

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Students majoring in Social Studies in Secondary Education may fulfill a minor in Psychology by completing the following courses to total 20 hours.

Required Courses: 3 hours

PSY 101 - General Psychology Lecture Credit Hours: 3 hrs

Elective Courses: 17 hours

Note:

All minors must have at least six hours of course work at the 300-level or above.

Minor Requirements: 20 hours

Note:

There are currently no National or State guidelines for Psychology teaching at the secondary level. The Department, however, finds that the minor could best map onto the National Council of Social Studies (NCSS) guidelines. Consequently, we highly recommend that you complete the following sequence of courses in order to meet the NCSS standards and cover material assessed in the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification in Psychology (MTTC). These courses also cover material that is on the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification in Psychology.

In addition to the courses below, students will need a methods course. We recommend taking **HIST481 (Methods in Social Sciences) (3 cr hours)**

Required Courses (11 hours):

- **PSY 101 General Psychology (Standard 2.5) (3 hours/lecture)**
- **PSY 103 General Psychology (Standard 1.8, 2.5) (1 hour/lab)**
- **PSY 205 Quantitative Methods in Psychology (Standard 1.8, 2.5) (3 hours)**
- **PSY 301 Introduction to Experimental Psychology (Standard 1.8, 2.5) (4 credits)**

Restricted Elective Course: 12 hours

Select courses from each of the following categories:

Culture and Diversity (Standards 1.1, 1.5, 1.6) (3 hours):

- **PSY 309 Social Psychology (3 credits)**
- **PSY 340 Prejudice and Discrimination (3 credits)**

Restricted Elective Courses (6 hours):

- **PSY 360 Abnormal Psychology (Standard 2.5) (3 credits)**
- **PSY 453 History and Systems of Psychology (Standard 1.2, 2.5) (3 credits)**
- **PSY 321 Child Psychology (Standard 1.4, 2.5) (3 credits)**