

BA IN PSYCHOLOGY (FAST)

The core psychology curriculum focuses on theory, research, and practice of psychology. Course requirements include (1) a theories of personality class, (2) an individualized research project (senior thesis) in which you conduct research on a topic of your choosing, under the direction and guidance of a faculty member, and (3) actually applying what you have learned about psychology in a “real-world” field placement (an “internship” in a community agency designed to match your particular career goals). Aligning your field placement with your research project (for example conducting research on divorce mediation and interning at Marin County Mediation Services), enables you to develop a special area of competence and further advance your career.

Required: 46 units in Cohort

Term 1: Spring 2010 (9 units)	
Session A (weeks 1-7)	Foundations, American Pluralism (<i>General Education</i>)
Session B (weeks 9-15)	Contemporary Issues in Psychology (<i>Major and General Education</i>)
Session C (weeks 1-15)	Critical Inquiry and Reflective Writing (<i>General Education</i>)
Term 2: Summer 2010 (6 units) (or 9 units for those who need algebra pre-requisite)	
Session A (weeks 1-7)	Social Psychology
Session B (weeks 9-15)	Ethics in Psychology (<i>Major & General Education</i>)
Session C (weeks 1-15)	<i>Quantitative Analysis for Statistics*</i> (If needed - course is ONLY for students who have not completed Intermediate Algebra) (<i>General Education</i>)
Term 3: Fall 2010 (7 units) (or 8 units if students need Portfolio Resubmission)	
Session A and B (weeks 1-15)	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences (<i>Major & General Education</i>)
Session B (weeks 9-15)	Research Methods
Session C (weeks 1-15)	Elective: <i>Portfolio Redevelopment</i> *(if needed)
Term 4: Spring 2011 (9 units)	
Session A (weeks 1-7)	Theories of Personality
Session B (weeks 9-15)	Learning, Cognition, Career Development
Session C (weeks 1-15)	Directed Research I (Senior Thesis in Psychology)
Term 5: Summer 2011 (9 units)	
Session A (weeks 1-7)	Abnormal Psychology
Session B (weeks 9-15)	Counseling and Communication
Session C (weeks 1-15)	Field Placement (Internship) in Psychology
Term 6: Fall 2011 (6 units) (or 9-units if World's Religions is needed for GE)	
Session A (weeks 1-7)	Biological Psychology
Session B (weeks 9-15)	<i>Global Traditions & Emerging Spirituality in a Secular World*</i> , if needed (<i>General Education</i>)
Session C (weeks 1-15)	Directed Research II (Senior Thesis in Psychology)

* Not included in the 46 units for the cohort.

Subject to modification.