

PSYCHOLOGY MINOR

College of Arts and Sciences

Program Website (<https://psychology.cornell.edu/major/>)

Program Description

Students pursuing a Psychology Minor gain an understanding of a range of basic processes in Psychological Science that enable people, animals, as well as machines and forms of artificial intelligence, to make sense of, navigate, and respond to their social and physical environments.

Students in colleges other than the College of Arts and Sciences are eligible to minor in psychology. Admission to the psychology minor is usually granted to any undergraduate who is in good standing and who has passed three or more psychology courses with grades of C+ or better. Provisional admission requires two such courses. Given the high overlap in content, students majoring in either Psychology or in Human Development, or minoring in Human Development, cannot pursue a Psychology Minor.

To apply to the minor and receive an advisor, students should submit a psychology minor application form, which should be completed and e-mailed to Lisa Proper. Successful completion of the minor will be noted on a student's official transcript.

Minor Requirements

Requirements to fulfill the minor are:

- Completing a total of 18 credits in psychology. Students must earn a grade of C- or better in each course. Courses except for PSYCH 4700 Undergraduate Research in Psychology and PSYCH 4710 Advanced Undergraduate Research in Psychology must be taken for a letter grade. First-year Writing Seminars (FWS) or AP courses cannot be counted towards the credit requirements.
- Students are encouraged to take independent study or fieldwork (PSYCH 4700 Undergraduate Research in Psychology and PSYCH 4710 Advanced Undergraduate Research in Psychology, research conducted under the supervision of a professor). Up to 6 of these credits may be counted towards the minor. PSYCH 4700 Undergraduate Research in Psychology and PSYCH 4710 Advanced Undergraduate Research in Psychology may be taken S/U.
- Students are encouraged to gain breadth by completing at least one course from three of the following four areas of psychology:
 - Perception and Cognition
 - Development
 - Cognitive and Behavioral Neuroscience
 - Social and Personality Psychology