The scientific study of the human mind and human behavior is a complex task, reflected by the fact that the American Psychological Association has more than 50 divisions, each representing an area of expertise. Psychology majors choose their own area of interest and apply their specialized knowledge to a wide range of endeavors including research, mental health care, teaching, business, and government. What they share is a foundation of psychological understanding and the desire to work in a profession that many believe will ultimately have the greatest impact on the future of humankind.

**Bachelor’s Degree**
- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)
- Minor

**Career Paths**
- Educators
- Business managers
- Researchers
- Clinical psychologists
- Counselors
- Case Managers
- Government or nonprofit administrators
- Grant coordinators
- Probation officers

**Distinction**
- Psychology majors have multiple opportunities to work directly with department faculty on research or conduct their own research projects and even publish their findings in professional journals.
- Approximately a third of Psychology graduates who enter the workforce chose the Educational Psychology concentration and seek careers as educators in elementary or secondary schools.

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Bachelor's Degree

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Concentrations. The Psychology curriculum requires all majors to take two core courses and then choose a concentration that matches their interest and career goals: Clinical/Counseling; Developmental Psychology; Educational Psychology; Experimental Psychology; or an Individualized Concentration.

Internships. Through the UIS Applied Study program, our majors have the opportunity to work with researchers, counselors, or case managers at area facilities such as SIU School of Medicine, Sojourn Shelter and Services for Domestic Violence Intervention, St. John's Hospital, probation offices, and area correctional centers.

Access. Students in Psychology have access to state-of-the-art instructional technologies including a psychology laboratory, a biofeedback center and clinical observation suites for audio and videotaping of dyadic or group activities.

B.A. IN PSYCHOLOGY

Complete university requirements – a minimum of 13 credit hours of Engaged Citizenship Common Experience (ECCE) courses.
Complete PSY 201 Principles of Psychology
Complete PSY 301 Orientation & Assessment
Complete PSY 302 Research Methods in Psychology (4 credit hours)
Complete Concentration & psychology elective courses (28 credit hours)
Complete general elective courses (12 credit hours)
Complete PSY 471 Senior Seminar (4 credit hours)

Sample of courses:
Principles of Psychology
Psychology of Learning and Memory
Psychology of Motivation
Introduction of Biopsychology
Lifespan Developmental Psychology
Family Psychology
Exceptional Child
Sports Psychology
Sensation and Perception
Introduction to Clinical Psychology
Behavior Modification: Principles and Techniques
Abnormal Psychology
Working with Victims of Sexual Assault/Abuse

For a complete list of courses and degree requirements, see the UIS catalog at uis.edu/uiscatalog

Psychology minor available, 20 credit hours minimum – at least 16 of which must be upper-division courses.

ACADEMIC ORGANIZATIONS

There is an active Psychology Club on campus as well as a chapter of the psychology National Honor Society, Psi Chi. Students in both groups work together to provide academic recognition of its membership, and to offer a climate that stimulates professional growth through programs and activities.