Psychology Major Requirements

Thirty hours of coursework must be completed successfully to fulfill department requirements. Majors must take PSCL 101 (or have 4 or 5 on the AP Psychology test) and PSCL 282 (or approved equivalent). In addition, two courses from each of the following lists are required:

Select 2 of the following nomothetic courses:

- PSCL 315 Social Psychology
- PSCL 352 Psysiological Psychology
- PSCL 353 Psychology of Learning
- PSCL 357 Cognitive Psychology

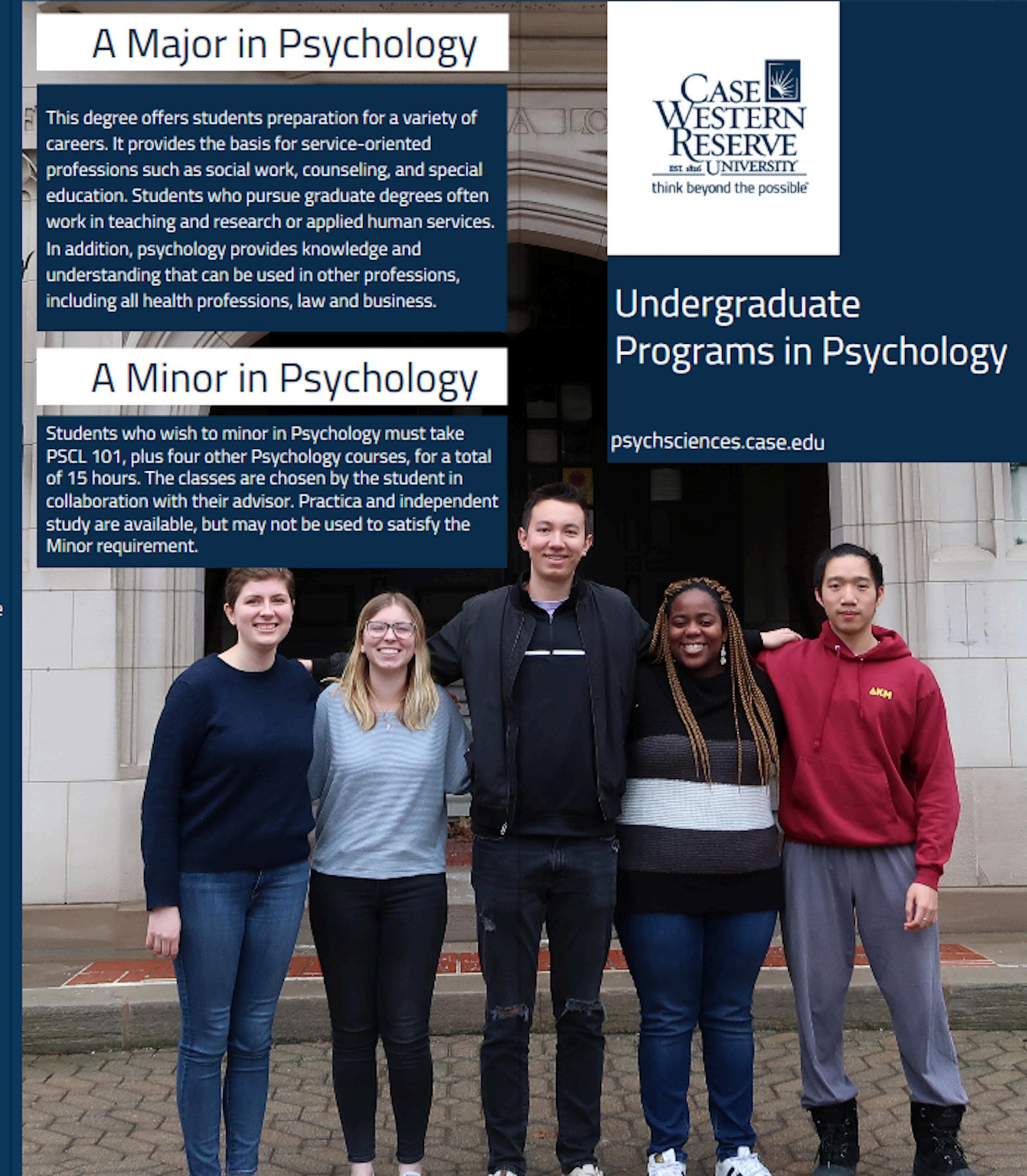
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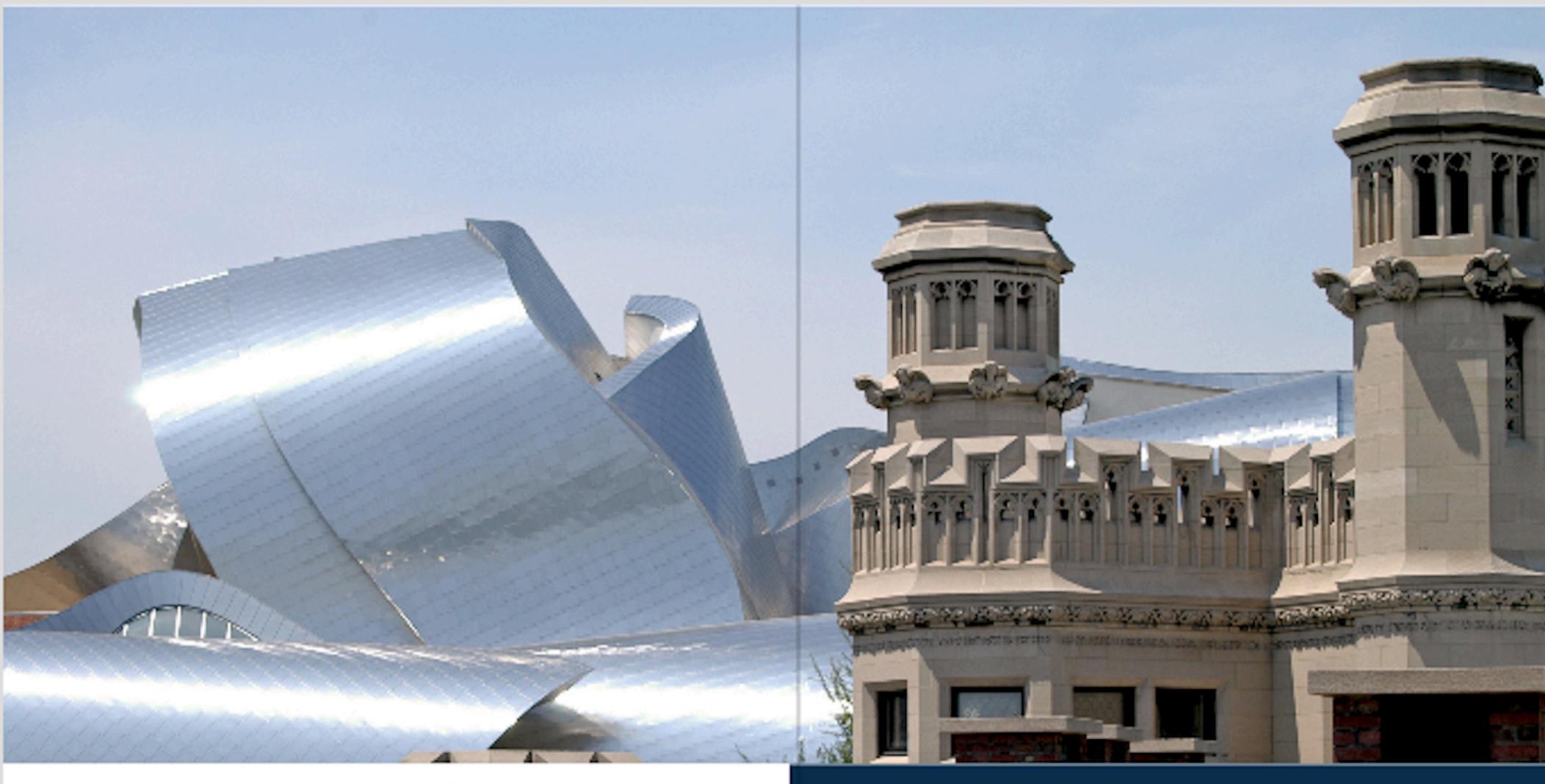
- PSCL 230 Child Psychology
- PSCL 313 Psychology of Personality
- PSCL 321 Abnormal Psychology
- PSCL 325 Psychotherapy & Personality Change
- PSCL 369 Adult Development & Aging

The remaining 12 hours are taken from electives chosen by the student in collaboration with their advisor.

Research Opportunities

We strongly encourage all undergraduate psychology majors, especially those interested in PhD programs, to become involved in research activities. Students should discuss with their advisors how to become involved in research and reach out to department faculty to ask about potential research opportunities in their labs.





OUR FACULTY & SPECIALTIES

Arin Connell Depression, Substance Abuse, & Family Functioning

Heath Demaree Emotional & Cognitive Processing

Anastasia Dimitropoulos Neurodevelopmental Disorders

Julie Exline Psychology of Religion & Spirituality

Norah Feeny Post Traumatic Stress Disorder

Grover Gilmore Perceptual development and aging

Robert Greene Human Learning & Memory

Sarah Hope Lincoln Social Dysfunction

Brooke Macnamara Skill Acquisition, Learning, & Expertise

James Overholser Depression & Suicide

Amy Przeworski Anxiety Disorders, Stress, and Diversity

Sandra Russ Pretend Play

Elizabeth Short Disparity in Cognitive & Emotional Function

Lee Thompson Behavioral Genetics & Cognitive Development

Why Choose Us?

- Close student-faculty relationship
- Opportunities for individualized study & research
- Undergraduate seminars & practicum in hospitalized child psychology in partnership with Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital
- Hands-on research in departmental labs

Psychology Honors Program

Qualified psychology majors are encouraged to consider the department's Honors Program which leads to a BA with honors in psychology. The program's purpose is to provide an intensive, supervised research. Completion of the Honors Program also satisfies the SAGES capstone graduation requirement. Only those students majoring in psychology with a serious interest in the behavioral sciences should consider completing the Honors Program.

Pathways for Customizing your major

Pathways are structured to help you define your areas of study based on your professional goals.

CLINICAL

For those interested in clinical psychology and pursuing a career in clinical research, therapy, or counseling.



LIFESPAN DEVELOPMENT

For those interested in working with people throughout their lives; those pursing careers in clinical psychology or speech-language pathology.



PRE-HEALTH

For those interested in healthrelated fields such as medicine, nursing, allied-health professions, and hospital administration, to name a few.



NEUROSCIENCE

For those interested in pursuing research in cognitive neuroscience, social neuroscience, clinical neuroscience, or affective neuroscience.



RESEARCH

For those considering a career in research. Areas include academia (professor), nonprofit (NIH), and Public/private institutions (hospitals, government, military).

