



Department of Psychology

B.S. in Behavioral Neuroscience

Program Description

The Bachelor of Science in Behavioral Neuroscience is geared toward educating students on the complexities of the human brain and how it enables behavior and cognition. The program reflects current trends in the field of Behavioral Neuroscience through its emphasis on the scientific study of psychological processes and through the inclusion of recent trends and practice. Students have a variety of opportunities to become directly involved in ongoing research and participate in our active student organizations.

Many students pursue the B.S. in Behavioral Neuroscience in preparation for graduate or professional training in psychology, medicine, or research. The department also offers a Ph.D. program in Cognitive Neuroscience.

Prerequisites: 31-33 credits

| Course | Title | Cr |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|-----|
| PSY 2012 Introduction to Psychology | | 3 |
| BSC 2010+BSC 2010L | General Biology I | 3,1 |
| BSC 2011+BSC 2011L | General Biology II | 3,1 |
| CHM 1045+CHM 1045L | General Chemistry I | 3,1 |
| CHM 1046+CHM 1046L | General Chemistry II | 3,1 |

Select 1 Calculus option from below:

| Course | Title | Cr |
|----------|-----------------------|----|
| MAC 2311 | Calculus I | 4 |
| MAC 2233 | Calculus for Business | 3 |

Select either Organic Chemistry I & II or Physics I & II from below:

| Course | Title | Cr |
|--------------------|----------------------|-----|
| CHM 2210+CHM 2210L | Organic Chemistry I | 4,1 |
| CHM 2211+CHM 2211L | Organic Chemistry II | 3,1 |

OR

| Course | Title | Cr |
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| PHY 2053 OR PHY 2048 + PHY 2048L | Physics without Calculus I OR Physics with Calculus I | 4,1 |
| PHY 2054 OR PHY 2049 + PHY 2049L | Physics without Calculus II OR Physics with Calculus II | 4,1 |

Other Degree Requirements

| Course | Title | Cr |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|----|
| STA 2122 (or equivalent) | Introduction to Statistics | 3 |

Major Requirements: 34 credits
Core Courses: 25 credits

| Course | Title | Pre-Requirements | Cr |
|----------|---|-----------------------------|----|
| PSB 3007 | Introduction to Neuroscience & Behavior | BSC 2010+Lab, BSC 2011+Lab, | 3 |
| | | CHM1045+Lab & CHM 1046+Lab | |
| PSB 3101 | Introduction to Methods in Neuroscience & Behavior | PSB 3007 | 3 |
| PSB 3823 | Behavioral Neuroscience | PSB 3007 | 3 |
| PSB 4241 | Clinical Neuroscience | PSB 3007 | 3 |
| PSB 4200 | Systems Neuroscience | PSB 3007 | 3 |
| PSY 3211 | Research Methods and Data Analysis in Psychology I | STA 2122 (or equivalent) | 3 |
| PSY 3215 | Research Methods and Data Analysis in Psychology II | PSY 3211 | 4 |
| PSY 4931 | Senior Seminar | PSY 3215 | 3 |

Major Electives: 9 credits

- Select 1 course from Cellular & Molecular
- Select 1 course from Behavioral & Systems
- Select 1 course from any of the sections below

Cellular & Molecular Neuroscience

| Course | Title | Pre-Requirements | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|---|---|
| PSB 3504 | Developmental Neuroscience | PSB 3007 | 3 |
| PSB 4434 | Psychopharmacology | PSB 3007 | 3 |
| PSB 4581 | Behavioral Epigenetics | PSB 3007 | 3 |
| ZOO 4743C | Neuroscience | BSC 2010, BSC 2011 & CHM 2211 | 4 |
| ZOO 4744 | Neurobiology | BSC 2010 & BSC 2011 | 3 |
| ZOO 4781 | Sensory Systems in Neurobiology | nsory Systems in Neurobiology BSC 2010 & BSC 2011 | |

Behavioral & Systems Neuroscience

| Course | Title | Pre-Requirements | Cr |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----|
| EXP 3304 | Motivation & Emotion | | 3 |
| EXP 4204 | Sensation & Perception | PSB 3007 OR PSB 3002 | 3 |
| LIN 4705 | Psychology of Language and Cognition | PSY 2012 | 3 |
| PSB 3461 | Hormones & Behavior | PSB 3007 | 3 |
| PSB 4240 | Neuropsychology | PSB 3007 OR PSB 3002 | 3 |
| PSB 4250 | Animal Cognition | | 3 |
| PSB 4800 | Neurobiology of Learning & Memory | PSB 3007 OR PSB 3002 | 3 |
| ZOO 4513 | Animal Behavior | BSC 2010 & BSC 2011 | 3 |
| ZOO 4513L | Animal Behavior Lab | Co-requisite ZOO 4513 | 2 |

Other Neuroscience & Behavior Electives

| Course | Title | Pre-Requirements | Cr |
|----------|--|--------------------------|----|
| PSB 4100 | Introduction to Programming for Neuroscience | PSB 3007 & PSY 3215 | 3 |
| PSB 4001 | History of Neuroscience | PSB 3007 | 3 |
| PSY 4916 | Independent Research in Psychology | Permission of Instructor | 3 |

Success Markers & Milestones

Success Markers: A success marker is a guidepost along a student's academic journey which highlight enrollment in a critical course, or successful completion (C or better) of a critical course. Some markers require that you complete the course (completion) and some markers require that you have at least enrolled in the course (enrollment) by the specified credit amount.

| Credits | 30 | 45 | 60 | 75 |
|------------|-------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| Enrollment | | CHM 1046+Lab | CHM 2210+Lab OR PHY | |
| | | | 2048/PHY 2053+Lab | |
| Completion | MAC 1105 & | MAC 1147, BSC2010+Lab | CHM 1046+Lab | CHM 2210+Lab & CHM |
| | CHM1045+Lab | & BSC 2011+Lab | | 2211+Lab OR PHY |
| | | | | 2048/2054+Lab & PHY |
| | | | | 2049/2054+Lab |

Milestones: A milestone is a significant moment in the student's academic journey where a decision is typically made related to the student's continued progress in a major

| Credits | 60 | 90 |
|------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Completion | MAC 2311, CHM 1045+Lab & CHM 1046+Lab | CHM 2210+Lab, CHM 2211+Lab OR PHY |
| | | 2048/2053+Lab & PHY 2049/2054+Lab |

Sample Recommended Course Sequence

| Year 1 Fall Semester (14 credit hours) | Year 2 Fall Semester (12 credit hours) |
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| UCC First Year Experience (1) | BSC 2011 Gen Biology II (3) |
| STA 2122 or 3111 Intro to Stats I (3) | BSC 2011L Gen Biology II Lab (1) |
| CHM 1045 Gen Chemistry I (3) | CHM 2210 Org Chem I (4) or PHY 2048/2053 Gen Phys I (4) |
| CHM 1045L Gen Chemistry I Lab (1) | CHM 2210L Org Chem I Lab (1) or PHY 2048L Gen Phys I Lab (1) |
| PSY 2012 Intro Psychology (3) | UCC Course Arts (3) |
| UCC Communication I (3) | |
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| Year 1 Spring Semester (14-15 credit hours) | Year 2 Spring Semester (13-14 credit hours) |
| CHM 1046 Gen Chemistry II (3) | CHM 2211 Org Chem II (3) or PHY 2049/2054 Gen Phys II (4) |
| CHM 1046L Gen Chemistry II Lab (1) | CHM 2212 Org Chem II Lab or PHY 2049L Gen Phys II Lab (1) |
| BSC 2010 Gen Biology I (3) | PSY 3211 Research Methods Psych I (3) |
| BSC 2010L Gen Biology I Lab (1) | UCC Course Social Science Group Two (3) |
| UCC Communication II (3) | UCC Humanities Group Two (3) |
| MAC 2311 (4) or 2333 Calculus I (3) | |
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| Year 1 Summer Semester (3 credit hours) | Year 2 Summer Semester (4-7 credit hours) |
| UCC Humanities Group One (3) | General Elective or Civic Literacy (3) |
| | *PSY 4916 Independent Research in Psychology (1-4) |
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| (31-32 credit hours total) | (28-33 credit hours total) |
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| Year 3 Fall Semester (16 credit hours) | Year 4 Fall Semester (15 credit hours) |
| PSB 3007 Intro to Behavioral Neuroscience (3) | PSB 4200 Systems Neuroscience (3) |
| PSY 3215 Research Methods Psych II (4) | BN Elective (3) |
| General Elective (3) | BN Elective (3) |
| General Elective (3) | Upper Division Elective (3) |
| Global Learning (3) | General Elective (3) |
| | Year 4 Spring Semester (15 credit hours) |
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| Year 3 Spring Semester (12 credit hours) PSB 3101 Intro to Methods in Behavioral | PSB 4241 Clinical Neuroscience (3) |
| Neuroscience (3) | BN Elective (3) |
| PSB 3823 Behavioral Neuroscience (3) | Upper Division Elective (3) |
| Global Learning (3) | Upper Division Elective (3) |
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| Year 3 Summer Semester (3 credit hours) | |
| General Elective (3) | |
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| (31 hours total) | (30 hours total) |

^{*}recommended; competitive acceptance