BIOPSYCHOLOGY MAJOR, B.S. – 2021-2022

Admission to the major is contingent upon fulfilling the following requirements:
1) At least a 2.7 University of California grade-point average in Area I;
2) At least a 2.0 University of California grade-point average in Area II;
3) All courses must be completed on a letter-grade basis;
4) No courses with a grade lower than C- in Area I & II;
5) Not more than one course with a C- in Area I & II;
6) Students must submit a “Petition to Change Major” to the departmental main office (1814 Psychology East) for admission to the pre-major and major.

PRE-MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Area I courses:
PSY 1, MATH 34A (or 2A or 3A), and PSTAT 5A or equivalent.......................................................... 13-14
PSY 10A, 10B........................................................................................................................................... 10

Note: Students must complete PSY 1, MATH 34A (or 2A or 3A), PSTAT 5A or equivalent, and CHEM 1A-B (or 2A-B) prior to enrolling in PSY 10A; PSY 10A is a prerequisite for PSY 10B.

Area II courses:
CHEM 1A-B (or 2A-B) ............................................................................................................................................. 6
MCDB 1A and EEMB 2 ............................................................................................................................................ 7

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Area III courses:

Note: The following courses are not required to be admitted into the major, but are required to complete the major:
CHEM 1C (or 2C) and labs: CHEM 1AL-BL-CL (or CHEM 2AC-BC-CC) .......................................................... 9
CHEM 109A-B and 6AL-BL................................................................................................................................ 14
MCDB 1B and labs: MCDB 1LL and EEMB 2LL (or MCDB 1BL and either MCDB 1BL or EEMB 2L) ........... 5-6
PHYS 6A-AL-BL-C-CL ...................................................................................................................................... 12
MATH 34B (or 2B or 3B)................................................................................................................................... 4-5

UPPER-DIVISION MAJOR

44-45 UD units are required, distributed as follows:
A. PSY 106 (prerequisite for PSY 111) ................................................................................................................... 4
B. PSY 111 ............................................................................................................................................................... 4
C. Six courses from the following:
   PSY 115, 116, 122, 123, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 146, 153, 163AA-ZZ........................................ 24
D. One laboratory course from the following:
   PSY 111L, 113L, 118L, 119L, 129L, 138L, or MCDB 126AL* ..................................................................... 4-5
E. 8 additional units of UD PSY ........................................... 8

Notes:
- Enrollment in PSY 110 or higher courses is contingent upon satisfying pre-major requirements.
- Maximum of three courses in PSY 163AA-ZZ may be taken for major credit.
- 197A-B-C, 199, 199P require faculty consent and departmental approval for enrollment.
*Concurrent enrollment in MCDB 126A is a prerequisite to MCDB 126AL.

MAJOR REGULATIONS

PREREQUISITES ...................................................................... Check the General Catalog for the prerequisites to all listed courses.
P/NP GRADING OPTION ...................................................... Up to 8 units of PSY 199P may be taken for major credit. All other major courses (Pre, Prep, or UD), including courses applied to the major from other departments, must be completed on a letter-grade basis.
SUBSTITUTIONS ................................................................. In the major requirements permissible only by petition to the department chair and dean.
RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS ........................................ At least 20 UD units in major while in residence at UCSB.
G.P.A. REQUIREMENTS ....................................................... At least 2.0 overall UC average in all upper-division major courses and all courses (Prep and UD) for the major.
DOUBLE MAJORS .............................................................. With the approval of each department chairperson, up to a total of 8 units may be applied simultaneously to both UD majors.