

Academic Rhode Map for BA Psychology Major at Rhode Island College

- This Rhode Map is a suggested pathway to graduation in 8 semesters
 - There are other valid pathways available to graduation - part time, summer/early spring classes, etc.
- The left column contains the suggested courses for each semester, the right column contains notes for the course and about progress towards graduation
- Some courses might not be offered during the semester shown on the map
 - In these cases, courses listed in future semesters can be substituted if their prerequisites have been satisfied
 - Your advisor can help you determine which courses can be used during your appointment each semester
- This Rhode Map is designed primarily with incoming freshmen in mind and assumes a Fall start
 - Transfer students can also use it as a guide, knowing that their transfer credits may have satisfied some requirements. Academic advisors are available to answer questions about how these will affect the program
 - Students starting in the spring may need to adjust based on class offerings and availability

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

FYW 100 – Taken in first year (Cannot be used as elective)	Distribution Courses - One from each category	Math (M) - Suggested in first year
FYS 100 – Taken in first year (Cannot be used as elective)		Arts (A)
		History/Philosophy (HP)
		Literature/Language (LL)
		Natural Science (NS)
Connections – Taken after FYW & FYS		Social & Behavioral Sciences (SB) - Satisfied by PSYC 110
		Elective(s) for 40 total Gen Ed credits (E)

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

	PSYC 110 Introduction to Psychology		ONE course from: PSYC 351 Psychology of Intersectionality PSYC 355 Psychology of Social Class PSYC 356 Psychology of Genders and Sexualities PSYC 424 Health Psychology PSYC 429 Psychology of Social Change
	PSYC 221W Research Methods I: Foundations		
	PSYC 320 Research Methods II: Behavioral Sciences		
	THREE courses from: PSYC 215 Social Psychology or PSYC 251 Personality PSYC 230 Human Development PSYC 249 Cognitive Psychology PSYC 254 Introduction to Psychological Disorders		
			ONE course from: PSYC 474W General Psychology Lab OR PSYC 476W Applied Lab
	THREE courses from: PSYC 331 Child Psychology PSYC 332 Adolescent Psychology PSYC 335 Family Psychology PSYC 339 Psychology of Aging PSYC 341 Perception PSYC 344 Learning PSYC 345 Physiological Psychology PSYC 347 Social Cognition PSYC 350 Topics PSYC 360 Seminar in Current Topics	PSYC 421 Changing Behavior: Applied Behavior Analysis PSYC 422 Psychological Testing PSYC 423 Psychology and the Law PSYC 425 Community Psychology PSYC 426 Internship in Psychology PSYC 427 Psychology in the Workplace PSYC 428 Science of Happiness PYSC 450 Topics PSYC 451 Stress and Trauma PSYC 453 Child and Adolescent Psychopathology PSYC 454 Adult Psychopathology	
	Recommended: PSYC 210 Careers and Psychology: 1 Credit Note: this course is an elective and is not listed in the Rhode Map.		

Graduation Requirements:

- Completion of General Education Requirements** – See table above
- Completion of Major Requirements** — See table above
- RIC 100 or Equivalent** — Taken in first year
- College Math Milestone** — Satisfied by placement exam or completion of MATH 010
- College Writing Competency** — Satisfied by FYW 100 with a minimum grade of C
- Minimum 120 Credit Hours** — At least 30 credits at RIC (of which 15 from major, including 12 at 300 or 400 level)
- Minimum GPA** - 2.0 overall

The total credit count for the major is 44 credits, and 40 credits for General Education. However, 8 Gen. Ed. credits for SB and Elective can double count, so the program can be completed in 76 credits.

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SEMESTER 1	CR	SEMESTER 1 NOTES
FYW 100 First Year Writing OR FYS 100 First Year Seminar	4	FYW Directed Self Placement exam
RIC 100 Introduction to Rhode Island College	1	Exempt if taking COLL 101, COLL 150, or HONR 150
General Education Course Math (M)	3-4	If Math Milestone is not completed, take MATH 10 here Math 139 Suggested
General Education Course (Any but SB)	3-4	Gen Ed (SB) Satisfied by PSYC 110
PSYC 110 Intro to Psychology (Gen Ed SB)	4	
Requirements and GPA		<i>Aim for 16 earned credits (While 12 is fulltime, 16 credits are preferred to stay on track to graduate in 4 years). Math Milestone completed. Minimum 2.0 GPA</i>
# CREDITS EARNED	17	<i>By October, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

SEMESTER 2	CR	SEMESTER 2 NOTES
FYW 100 First Year Writing OR FYS 100 First Year Seminar	4	
Choose TWO: PSYC 215 Social Psychology OR PSYC 251 Personality PSYC 230 Human Development PSYC 249 Cognitive Psychology PSYC 254 Introduction to Psychological Disorders	8	Need THREE from this group but cannot include both PSYC 215 and 251. Prerequisites for PSYC 251, 230, 249 and 254 = PSYC 110 or its equivalent.
General Education Course (Any still needed)	3-4	
Requirements and GPA		<i>Aim for minimum of 32 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
# CREDITS EARNED	15 -16	<i>By March, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

SEMESTER 3	CR	SEMESTER 3 NOTES
General Education Course (Any still needed)	3-4	
Gen Ed course, elective, or possible second major or minor	3-4	
PSYC 221W Research Methods I: Foundations	4	Prereq. PSYC 110 or equivalent
Choose ONE: PSYC 215 Social Psychology OR PSYC 251 Personality PSYC 230 Human Development PSYC 249 Cognitive Psychology PSYC 254 Introduction to Psychological Disorders	4	Need THREE from this group but cannot include both PSYC 215 and 251. Prerequisites for PSYC 251, 230, 249 and 254 = PSYC 110 or its equivalent.
Requirements and GPA		<i>Aim for minimum of 48 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
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SEMESTER 4	CR	SEMESTER 4 NOTES
Gen Ed - Connections	4	Prereqs = FYW and FYS
Gen Ed course, elective, or possible second major or minor	3-4	
PSYC 320: Research Methods II: Behavioral Statistics	4	Prereq = PYSC 221 or equivalent, and completion of the College Math Milestone.
Choose ONE: PSYC 351 Psychology of Intersectionality PSYC 355 Psychology of Social Class PSYC 356 Psychology of Genders and Sexualities, PSYC 424 Health Psychology PSYC 429 Psychology of Social Change or elective, or possible second major or minor	3-4	Only need ONE from this set. PSYC 355 prereq = PSYC 110. PSYC 351 and 356 prereq = PSYC 221W and 45 completed credits that include 8 additional PSYC credits PSYC 424 and 429 prereq = PSYC 221W and 45 completed credits that include 8 additional PSYC credits, plus PSYC 110. All can also be taken with consent of department chair.
Requirements and GPA		<i>Aim for minimum of 64 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
# CREDITS EARNED	14 -16	<i>By March, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

SEMESTER 5	CR	SEMESTER 5 NOTES
Gen Ed course, elective, or possible second major or minor	3-4	
Choose ONE: PSYC 351 Psychology of Intersectionality PSYC 355 Psychology of Social Class PSYC 356 Psychology of Genders and Sexualities, PSYC 424 Health Psychology PSYC 429 Psychology of Social Change or elective, or possible second major or minor	3-4	Only need ONE from this set. PSYC 355 prereq = PSYC 110. PSYC 351 and 356 prereq = PSYC 221W and 45 completed credits that include 8 additional PSYC credits PSYC 424 and 429 prereq = PSYC 221W and 45 completed credits that include 8 additional PSYC credits, plus PSYC 110. All can also be taken with consent of department chair.
Choose ONE: PSYC 331 PSYC 347 PSYC 426 PSYC 332 PSYC 350 PSYC 427 PSYC 335 PSYC 360 PSYC 428 PSYC 339 PSYC 421 PYSC 450 PSYC 341 PSYC 422 PSYC 451 PSYC 344 PSYC 423 PSYC 453 PSYC 345 PSYC 425 PSYC 454	4	Need THREE from this group. Prereqs vary—see catalog. All can also be taken with consent of department chair.
Elective or course in another major or a minor	3-4	
Requirements and GPA		<i>Aim for minimum of 80 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
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SEMESTER 6	CR	SEMESTER 6 NOTES
Choose ONE: PSYC 331 PSYC 347 PSYC 426 PSYC 332 PSYC 350 PSYC 427 PSYC 335 PSYC 360 PSYC 428 PSYC 339 PSYC 421 PSYC 450 PSYC 341 PSYC 422 PSYC 451 PSYC 344 PSYC 423 PSYC 453 PSYC 345 PSYC 425 PSYC 454	4	Need THREE from this group. Prereqs vary—see catalog. All can also be taken with consent of department chair.
Elective or course toward minor/major	3-4	
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Requirements and GPA		<i>Aim for minimum of 96 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major. Apply for degree audit online through MyRIC</i>
# CREDITS EARNED	13 -16	<i>By March, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

SEMESTER 7	CR	SEMESTER 7 NOTES
Choose ONE: PSYC 331 PSYC 347 PSYC 426 PSYC 332 PSYC 350 PSYC 427 PSYC 335 PSYC 360 PSYC 428 PSYC 339 PSYC 421 PSYC 450 PSYC 341 PSYC 422 PSYC 451 PSYC 344 PSYC 423 PSYC 453 PSYC 345 PSYC 425 PSYC 454	4	Need THREE from this group. Prereqs vary—see catalog. All can also be taken with consent of department chair.
PSYC 474W Research Methods III: General Psychology Lab OR PSYC 476W Research Methods III Applied Lab or elective, or course toward minor/major	3-4	PSYC 474 prereq = PSYC 320; At least TWO from PSYC 215, PSYC 230, PSYC 249, PSYC 251 or PSYC 254 At least ONE course from PSYC 331, PSYC 332, PSYC 335, PSYC 339, PSYC 341, PSYC 344, PSYC 345, PSYC 347, PSYC 351, PSYC 355, or PSYC 421 PSYC 422, PSYC 423, PSYC 424, PSYC 425, PSYC 426, PSYC 427, PSYC 428, PSYC 249, PSYC 451, PSYC 453, or PSYC 454, or consent of department chair
Elective or course toward minor/major	3-4	If elective courses are 3 credits, need one additional course for full-time status (12 credits).
Requirements and GPA		<i>Aim for minimum of 108 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
# CREDITS EARNED	≥12	<i>By October, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

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SEMESTER 8	CR	SEMESTER 8 NOTES
PSYC 474W Research Methods III: General Psychology Lab OR PSYC 476W Research Methods III Applied Lab or elective, or course toward minor/major	3-4	PSYC 476W prereq = PSYC 320 And at least one course from PSYC 351, PSYC 354, PSYC 356, PSYC 421, PSYC 422, PSYC 423, PSYC 424, PSYC 425, PSYC 453, or PSYC 454, or consent of department chair
Elective or course toward minor/major	3-4	
Elective or course toward minor/major	3-4	If elective courses are 3 credits, need one additional course for full-time status (12 credits) .
Requirements and GPA		<i>Need minimum of 120 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
# CREDITS EARNED	≥12	<i>Attend Gradfest and Commencement</i>

NOTES:

- The total number of credits needed for the major, general education, and other requirements may be less than the 120 required for graduation. Those remaining credits can be satisfied with electives, or they can be used toward a second major or minor which could be very useful.
- Along with your advisor, this Rhode Map can help you determine if a second major or minor could fit into your plan

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