# Psychology

☐ ONLINE | ♥ ON CAMPUS | ★ BLENDED

Mercer University's **Bachelor of Science in Psychology** prepares individuals to think critically about the science and practice of psychology in preparation for careers in a variety of fields or for graduate school. Students engage in the scientific study of human behavior and mental processes in the field of psychology by learning to interpret, design, and conduct basic psychological research, while also developing effective written communication and presentation skills. Students completing the degree program will be able to apply psychological content and skills to their career goals, refine projectmanagement skills, enhance their teamwork capacity, and develop meaningful professional direction.



The B.S. in Psychology is offered fully online and at Mercer's Atlanta campus. Students have the flexibility to enroll in a blended combination of online and in-person evening classes. Courses are structured in eight-week terms. On-campus classes meet one night per week, and students can comfortably take two classes per week while maintaining a work-life balance.

## **Career Opportunities**

Earning a bachelor's degree in psychology does not mean graduates can work as psychologists, as that requires a master's or doctoral degree, as well as professional licensure. However, Mercer University's B.S. in Psychology does prepare those who choose to pursue a graduate degree for advanced study. A bachelor's degree in psychology can easily translate into jobs in a variety of fields, including social work, human resources, teaching, and probation and corrections, in roles such as:

- Behavioral Support Technician
- · Career/Employment Counselor
- · Case Manager
- · Child Development Specialist
- · Health Technician

- Occupational Analyst
- · Probation/Parole Officer
- Psychiatric Technician
- $\cdot$  Psychological Stress Evaluator
- Psychosocial Rehabilitation
  Specialist (PSR)
- · Sales Representative
- · Social Service Specialist



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#### **PROGRAM OF STUDY**

### **B.S. in Psychology**

#### Foundations in Major (27 hours)

PSYC 210 History and Systems of Psychology

PSYC 215 Cognitive Psychology

PSYC 227 Lifespan Development

PSYC 299 Careers in Psychology

PSYC 315 Research Methods I

PSYC 316 Research Methods II

PSYC 333 Social Psychology

PSYC 360 Psychopathology

PSYC 498 Capstone Research Project

#### **Electives in Major (12 hours)**

Students will choose four electives from a selection of psychology course options.

**Total major requirements: 39 hours** 

**General education: 39 hours** 

**Electives: 42 hours** 

**Total degree requirements: 120 hours** 

Students with prior professional experience may have the opportunity to apply to complete a portfolio assessment. Upon completion, review, and approval of the assessment, students may receive a maximum of 12 semester hours of credit.

## **Admission to Program**

Candidates must have a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.25 (on a 4.0 scale). The program admits students five times per year in January, March, May, August, and October. Applicants may be eligible to transfer credits toward the degree. Learn more and apply at **workingadults.mercer.edu**.

#### REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS INCLUDE:

- · High school or GED transcript (if applicable)
- $\cdot \ \text{Completed application for admission} \\$
- \$25 non-refundable application fee (\$50 for international students)
- · Official transcripts from all previously attended institutions

International applicants should consult the University catalog for additional requirements.

## **A Top-Ranked Leader in Education**

Founded in 1833, Mercer University is one of America's most distinctive universities. *U.S. News & World Report* has ranked Mercer among the leading universities in the nation—including a **"Best Value"**—and The Princeton Review consistently ranks Mercer in the **Top 15%** of colleges and universities nationwide.

Students are taught by expert professors who combine class instruction with relevant work experience. Through personal attention and support, students are empowered to achieve their educational and career goals.

Mercer University's College of Professional Advancement continues the University's long-standing commitment to serving professional students seeking advancement into leadership roles in their careers. Distinctive interdisciplinary undergraduate, graduate, and workforce development programs merge theory and practice to help students solve problems and add value in the workplace.











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