

Psychology Department Course Offerings 2026-27

Introduction to Psychology

Block 2: Greg Peters

Block 3: Christina Ducat

Block 5: Kristi Erdal

Block 6: Greg Peters

Block 7: Christina Ducat

Block 8: John Horner

Elective Courses

Block 1: (First Years ONLY) CC100
—— (Kristi Erdal)

Block 2: (First Years ONLY) CC120
—— (Lori Driscoll)

Block 3: PY130 Gazing in Italy
—— (Tomi-Ann Roberts)

Block 5: PY123 Identity and Incarceration
—— (Jason Weaver)

Block 6: PY178 Perceiving and Interpreting Visual Art
—— (John Horner)

Methods Courses

PY205: Methods I

Block 2: Evan Orticio

Block 4: John Horner

Block 5: Marcela Fernandez-Peters

Block 6: Evan Orticio

Block 8: Lori Driscoll

PY301-309: Methods II*

Block 1: PY305
Survey Methods
(Jason Weaver)

Block 5: PY305
Bayesian Data Analysis
(Ryan Maloney)

Block 7: PY305
Methods in Costa Rica
(Marcela Fernandez-Peters)

Block 7: PY301
Mediation & Moderation
(Jason Weaver)

* Can get credit for multiple sections

Half Block Courses

PY363: Science and Pseudoscience in Clinical Psychology
—— (Kristi Erdal)

Introduction to Psychology (1 unit) one of the following

- PY100 Intr. Bases
- AP (4 or 5)
- PY105 Intr. Sci
- IB (HL 5, 6, 7)

Elective Psych. Course (1 unit) Any PY100-400 level course excluding PY251 & PY451 100-level options listed below

- CC100/CC120 Taught by Psych Faculty
- PY110/178 Crit. Inq. of Mental Illness
- PY112 Feminist Psych. of Embodiment
- PY116 Cultural Psychology
- PY123 Japanese Americans WWII
- PY130 Gazing in Italy
- PY135 Intro to Behavioral Game Theory
- PY160 Women and Madness
- PY178 Contextual Influences
- PY178 Designing a Brain
- PY178 From Pearl Harbor to Honouliuli
- PY182 Prejudice and Intergroup Relat.
- PY183 Psychology of Envir. Conserv.

Psychology Major Requirements

Core Courses (4 units)

Must include one from each area and two at 300-level
* has PY205 as prerequisite; ** has MB131 as prerequisite

Brain and Mind

- PY197 Principles of Neuroscience**
- PY296 Functional Neuroscience
- PY297 Systems Neuroscience
- PY315 Advanced Neuroanatomy
- PY318 Computational Neuroscience
- PY321 Perception*
- PY332 Learning & Adaptive*
- PY344 Cognition*

Health and Pathology

- PY260 Positive Psychology
- PY300 Hormones & Behavior*
- PY300 Children in the System*
- PY362 Abnormal Psychology*
- PY364 Emotion*

Person and Society

- PY270/ED311 Educational Psych
- PY281 Personality
- PY300 Community Psychology
- PY374 Lifespan Development*
- PY382 Social Psychology

Methods & Statistics (2 units)

One PY205 and One PY30x Topical
(can receive multiple credits for multiple different PY30x courses)

- PY205 Intro to Methods and Stats
- PY301 Adv. Methods: Mechanisms
- PY305 Adv. Methods: Bayesian Stats
- PY305 Adv. Methods: Survey Design

Research Experience (1 unit) One of the following

- PY251 Psychological Investigations
- PY451 Final Project (Thesis)

400-level Seminar (2 unit) Two of the following

- PY408 Animal Personality
- PY408 Neurophysiology
- PY408 Prefrontal Cortex
- PY408 Psychology of Belief
- PY408 Psychology and the Law
- PY412 Human Neuropsychology
- PY413 Developmental Psychopathology
- PY418 Psychology of Aesthetics
- PY419 Neuroscience Methods
- PY426 Sport Psychology
- PY430 Adolescence
- PY433 Neuropharmacology
- PY435 Behavioral Game Theory
- PY437 Evolutionary Psychology

Research Experience (PY251 or PY451)

- Complete Application in Block 6
- Requires Consent of Instructor (COI)
- See the PY251/451 Section of the Dept. Website
- Questions? Ask faculty or Mark Saviano (msaviano@coloradocollege.edu)

400-Level Seminars

Block 1: PY408 Psychology and the Law
—— (Christina Ducat)

Block 2: PY426 Sport Psychology
—— (Kristi Erdal)

Block 3: PY408 Animal Personality
—— (Ryan Maloney)

Block 4: PY408 Psychology of Belief
—— (Evan Orticio)

Block 5: PY437 Evolutionary Psychology
—— (John Horner)

Block 6: PY412 Human Neuropsychology
—— (Kristi Erdal)

Block 7: PY433 Neuropharmacology
—— (Lori Driscoll)

Block 8: PY419 Neuroscience Methods
—— (Ryan Maloney)

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Core Courses

Brain and Mind

Block 1: PY344 Cognition
—— (John Horner)

Block 2: PY197 Principles of Neuroscience
——(Marcela Fernandez Peters & Ryan Maloney)

Block 3: PY296 Functional Neuroscience
—— (Marcela Fernandez Peters)

Block 3: PY297 Systems Neuroscience
—— (Lori Driscoll)

Block 5: PY315 Advanced Neuroanatomy
—— (Lori Driscoll)

Block 6: PY318 Computational Neuroscience
—— (Ryan Maloney)

Health and Pathology

Block 2: PY364 Emotion
—— (Tomi-Ann Roberts)

Block 6: PY300 Children in the System
—— (Christina Ducat)

Block 8: PY362 Abnormal Psychology
—— (Kristi Erdal)

Person and Society

Block 3: PY382 Social Psychology
—— (Jason Weaver)

Block 4: PY300 Community Psychology
—— (Christina Ducat)

Block 7: PY374 Lifespan Development
—— (Evan Orticio)