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Our online degree completion program is best suited for a student who has completed an Associate's degree (or at least some college), Introductory Psychology, and College Algebra (or a higher-level math course).

NOTE: Although the psychology courses required for the online degree completion program are all online, additional non-psychology courses required for graduation may or may not be available online. In some cases, courses required for graduation could be taken at other institutions (online or face-to-face) and transferred to EIU. Your advisor will help you plan coursework tailored to your career goals.

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# DEGREE PLAN: ONLINE BA IN PSYCHOLOGY

## SAMPLE TWO-YEAR PLAN OF STUDY FOR THE ONLINE B.A. DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY

Complete Introductory Psychology with a C or better and the math requirement\* prior to pursuing the online psychology major degree. We recommend that incoming students have an Associate's degree prior to admission at EIU. This sample plan shows only psychology major requirements. Additional non-psychology courses needed for graduation will be planned in consultation with your advisor.

\* At EIU, MAT1271 or a higher math course or an ACT math score of at least 26 will fulfill this requirement. Although not required, MAT 2250G (Elementary Statistics) will fulfill the EIU math general education requirement and the psychology major requirement at the same time, and is a good choice to help prepare students for PSY 2610 (Statistical Methods in Psychology).

1	FALL	CREDIT HOURS	SPRING	CREDIT HOURS	SUMMER	CREDIT HOURS
	PSY 2610	4	PSY 3805	4	PSY Elective	3
	PSY 2999	1	PSY Group A	3		
	PSY Group C	3	PSY Group D	3		

2	FALL	CREDIT HOURS	SPRING	CREDIT HOURS	
	PSY Group A	3	PSY Group B	3	
	PSY Elective	3	PSY 4590	3	
			Take Psych Comprehensive Exam		

All PSY courses have PSY 1879G<sup>†</sup> (Intro Psych) as a prerequisite.

### CORE REQUIREMENTS:

- MAT1271 or higher level math course (with a C or better), or ACT math score of 26 or higher\*
- PSY1879G Introductory Psychology
- PSY2610 Statistical Methods of Psychology (prereq: Must meet math requirement above), 4 Credits
- PSY2999 Orientation to the Psychology Major, 1 Credit
- PSY3805 Research Methods (prereq: PSY2610), 4 Credits
- PSY4590 Psychology Seminar (prereq: PSY2610, PSY3805, and senior standing)
- Complete the Psychology Comprehensive Exam at least 10 days prior to the closing date of the term of graduation. (It will be made available to you in D2L during the semester in which you've applied to graduate.)

### ELECTIVES:

- Six credits from any of the following online courses. Electives may also be completed by taking courses from Groups A, B, C & D above the minimum requirement. Please read the catalog for course descriptions and prerequisites.
- PSY3518 Language Development
  - PSY3690 Controversial Topics in Psychology
  - PSY3760 Judgment and Decision Making
  - PSY4265 Methods in Behavior Management
  - PSY4585 Special Topics in Psychology
  - PSY4590 Psychology Seminar

### GROUP A:

- Abnormal/Social Group* – Minimum of 2 from:
- PSY3590 Theories of Personality
  - PSY3780 Abnormal Psychology<sup>†</sup>
  - PSY3870 Social Psychology<sup>†</sup>

### GROUP B:

- Biopsychology Group* – Minimum of 1 from:
- PSY3310 Biological Psychology
  - PSY3680 Sensation & Perception
  - PSY3820 Cognitive Neuroscience<sup>‡</sup>

### Group C:

- Cognitive/Learning Group* – Minimum of 1 from:
- PSY3620 Psychology of Learning
  - PSY3830 Cognitive Psychology<sup>‡</sup>

### GROUP D:

- Developmental Group* – Minimum of 1 from:
- PSY3515 Child Psychology<sup>†</sup>
  - PSY3521 Adolescence & Young Adulthood<sup>†</sup>
  - PSY3525 Maturity & Old Age<sup>†</sup>

<sup>†</sup> Part of the IL Articulation Agreement. Accepted as direct course transfer from IL Community Colleges to EIU

<sup>‡</sup> Not currently available online, but could be taken elsewhere and transferred to EIU.

**MAJOR TOTAL: 36-39 CREDITS**

## GENERAL EIU DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Students must complete all EIU requirements for the Bachelor's degree, summarized below.

120 or more semester hours, with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher. In the process of completing these 120 hours you must:

- Complete all general education requirements, including the Senior Seminar or Study Abroad Capstone
- Complete:
  - ◆ 40 or more semester hours in upper-division courses (3000-4000 numbered courses)
  - ◆ 42 or more semester hours at EIU; 32 or more in the junior and senior years, and 12 at EIU during the senior year
  - ◆ 12 or more semester hours in Psychology at EIU
  - ◆ 2 courses in a single foreign language (or 2 years of foreign language in high school)
- Earn a "C" or better in English 1001G, English 1002G, and Communication Studies 1310G, or in accepted substitutions
- Submit three Electronic Writing Portfolio submissions
- Earn a C or better in all courses counting toward the major

## INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

You must first successfully complete PSY 4274 Orientation to Internship. This is a 1 credit online course that is offered every semester.

PSY4275 Internship is an individually-planned work experience in a business or agency appropriate to the student's chosen career path, graduate school plans, and/or professional goals. Students completing the Online BA in Psychology are welcome to complete an internship, even if you live far away from the EIU campus!

A 3-credit internship requires 135 hours of work at the internship site, which is 9 hours per week in a 15-week semester.

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