MINOR REQUIREMENTS:
To receive a minor in psychology an undergraduate student must complete the following coursework:

- **Psychology 1000**: General Psychology (3 hours)
- **Four more psychology courses** (minimum of 12 hours)
- **At least two of the four courses** (at least 6 of the 12 hours) must be 3000- or 4000-level regularly-scheduled on-campus OR online courses. "Regularly-scheduled" courses include all on-campus AND online 3000- and 4000-level psychology courses EXCEPT for Psych 4940/4950/4960/4976 and 4977.
- A minimum of 15 credit hours is required for the psychology minor.
- To earn the psychology minor, students must have at least a 2.00 GPA in the required courses. Grades of "C-" will not be accepted. Pass/fail graded courses will not be accepted except for approved study abroad coursework.
- A total of 6 hours of transfer credit will be accepted toward the minor. Note: Psych 1000 AP credit is counted as transfer credit.
- A&S majors cannot "double count" psychology minor coursework toward other A&S minor and/or major requirements. Minor coursework cannot also be used in the Foreign Language Alternative.
- Students can count applicable psychology minor coursework to meet general education foundation requirements.
- A minor must be completed and awarded at the same time as the MU undergraduate degree – minors cannot be claimed after graduation. Once a psychology minor is awarded, a student cannot return to MU to complete a second undergraduate major in psychology. Students cannot earn a major and a minor in psychology.

COMPLETING THE MINOR FORM:
- Only students who have completed at least three psychology courses may fill out the minor paperwork. Students who have at least 9 hours of psychology completed can drop the form off at 203 McAlester Hall anytime between 9am and 4pm. As soon as possible, a psychology advisor will sign the form, make two copies, and contact the student to let them know the signed forms are ready to be picked up. Students can complete the minor form at any time before graduation -- the remaining two courses (6 credit hours) do NOT have to be completed before a student can turn in the minor form.
- Once a student picks up the two copies of the minor forms from our office, she or he must take both signed minor forms to the A&S Advisement Center in 107 Lowry Hall to officially file the minor. A&S will dean’s stamp both copies, and give one to the student. In a few days, the student will see the minor noted on myZou.
- If a student completes different courses than those noted on the minor form, she or he does NOT need to complete a second minor form; at graduation the course changes will be noted on the original form turned in to A&S. Students do NOT need to contact our office they take different courses toward the minor unless they need help confirming the course(s) will count toward the minor requirements.

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ABOUT THE PSYCHOLOGY MINOR

When can students fill out the paperwork for the psychology minor?
Students who have **completed** at least three psychology courses (at least 9 credit hours) may fill out the minor paperwork. Students who have completed at least 9 hours of psychology courses may drop the form off at the Psychology Advising Office in 100 McAlester Hall anytime between 9am and 4pm. As soon as possible, a psychology advisor will sign the form, make two copies, and then contact the student to let them know the signed forms are ready to be picked up. Students may complete the minor form at any time before graduation -- the remaining two courses (6 credit hours) do NOT have to be completed before a student can turn in the minor form.

After the student picks up the two copies of the signed minor form, how and where do students turn in the forms to officially claim the psychology minor?
- Students need to take both copies of the signed forms to the A&S Advisement Center in 107 Lowry Hall to OFFICIALLY claim the psychology minor. The A&S staff will dean’s stamp the minor forms and give one copy back to the student. Within a few days, the student will be able to see the minor noted on myZou.
- Students must claim the psychology minor **BEFORE** graduation – minors cannot be added to transcripts after A&S submits the final official graduation list.
- Upon graduation, A&S staff will verify that the minor requirements have been completed, and the psychology minor designation will be added to the final MU transcript. Minors are not noted on diplomas.

What if students take different courses than the courses they indicated on the minor form?
If a student completes different courses than those noted on the minor form, she or he does **NOT** need to complete a second minor form; at graduation the course changes will be noted on the original form turned in to A&S. Students do **NOT** need to contact our office they take different courses toward the minor unless they need help confirming the course(s) will count toward the minor requirements.

Are there any psychology courses that non-majors are NOT allowed to take?
Yes. Non-psychology majors cannot enroll in the on-campus lectures of Psych 3010, Psych 3020, and Psych Capstone Labs. They also cannot enroll in Writing Intensive Psychology courses.

When can psychology minors register for psychology courses?
Most (but not all) psychology courses are restricted to psychology majors only during the first four weeks of Early Registration for currently enrolled students each semester. This means that psychology minors are not able to add restricted psychology courses to their schedules until the restrictions are lifted. The restriction is lifted by 5pm on the last day of the Early Registration appointment times. Check the online Schedule of Courses each semester to find out which psychology courses are restricted to majors only and which are not restricted -- we try to have a few courses that are unrestricted each semester. Note: Psych 1000 is always unrestricted, we leave a few 2000-level courses unrestricted, and we leave at least one 3000-level course unrestricted during Early Registration each semester.

What if students need to request a permission number into a closed psychology course?
If a student is not able to register for a psychology course, they should note that permission number requests for psychology courses are accepted beginning at 8 A.M. on the Monday before classes begin each semester. We will not take requests before this date. We guarantee that in his or her graduating semester, a psychology minor will be allowed to enroll in psychology course(s) to complete the minor requirements, but we do **NOT** guarantee any first choice(s) of courses. Also note that psychology minors will **NOT** be allowed to enroll in the Writing Intensive psychology courses. Please keep in mind that most upper-level permission numbers go to graduating seniors, so please have a back-up plan in place and be ready to request as many courses as possible when we begin taking requests. As of the Monday the week before the semester begins, most psychology courses will be “frozen” and the only way to get in is via permission number request to our office.

Attention Psychology Minors! Check to see if you have completed coursework to earn a Certificate in Multicultural Studies – there are many psychology courses on the approved course list! For more information go to multicultural.missouri.edu. If you have any questions, email multicultural.certificate.mizzou@gmail.edu

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