

# Psychology

## MAJOR @ VITERBO UNIVERSITY



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### Overview

Study in this exciting and growing field will lead to an array of opportunities to perform critically important work in many directions. Some students move in the counseling direction, working with children, adolescents, and adults with behavioral problems and substance use disorders. Others pursue careers in psychological research in the unfolding field of brain function and genetic interactions that underlie behavioral problems. Still others use their background in psychology as their pathway into the business world and the service world of non-profit agencies.

### Why Viterbo?

We offer a unique mix of “heads up” and “hands on” to your education. The Viterbo psychology program:

- offers all of the classes needed to become a licensed drug and alcohol counselor; you can be employed after the first three courses in the field while gathering the supervised hours for licensure.
- offers a state-of-the-art digital video interviewing laboratory and science and laboratory facilities.
- features opportunities to engage in research with faculty.
- offers advanced course work not typically available at the undergraduate level.

### Career Options

- director of youth organizations
- in-home family counselor
- psychology graduate student
- psychometrist
- research training/teaching assistant
- substance abuse counselor

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## Psychology course requirements

General education requirements – see the general education section of the catalog.

Sample four-year sequence.

<b>Freshman</b>			
<b>Fall (15–18 credits)</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring (15–18 credits)</b>	<b>Credits</b>
PSYC 100 - Effective Behavior	3	PSYC 149 - Seminar I	3
PSYC 171 - General Psychology	4	MATH	3
ENGL 103 - Composition	3	ENGL 104 - Composition and Literature	3
Select 1–2 Gen Ed(s) from History, Philosophy, or Religious Studies	3	SOCL 125 - Introduction to Sociology	3
Elective	2–5	Gen Ed/Elective	3–6
<b>Sophomore</b>			
<b>Fall (15–18 credits)</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring (15–18 credits)</b>	<b>Credits</b>
PSYC 220 - Lifespan Developmental Psychology	3	PSYC 249 - Seminar II	1
PSYC 230 - Research Methods I	3	Advanced Developmental Psychology	3
PSYC 270 - Interviewing and the Helping Relationship	3	Psychology Elective	3
Substance Use and Society	3	BIOL 203 - Human Biology for Social Services	4
Elective	3–6	Elective	4–7
<b>Junior</b>			
<b>Fall (15–18 credits)</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring (15–18 credits)</b>	<b>Credits</b>
PSYC 340 - Behavior Disorders	3	PSYC 330 - Research Methods II	3
PSYC 349 - Seminar II	1	PSYC 351 - Psychological Testing	4
Biological Basis of Behavior	3	Comparative Theories	3
RLST 410 - World Religions	3	SOCL 320 or 330	3
Elective	3–6	Electives	2–5
<b>Senior</b>			
<b>Fall (15–18 credits)</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring (15–18 credits)</b>	<b>Credits</b>
PSYC 449 - Senior Seminar	3	Comparative Theories	3
Psychology Elective	3	From Theory to Practice	3
Capstone Experience	2	Electives	9–12
PSYC 499 - Capstone	1		
Electives	6–9		

In order to graduate in four years, three 18-credit semesters OR summer school must be taken.

**This is an unofficial course outline. For complete degree requirements, refer to the course catalog.**