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**GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

**Minimum Graduation Requirements**

1. 120 credit hours
2. 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
3. 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
4. Residency: Last 30 credit hours of degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences at UCCS

**Student Responsibilities**

Students are required to know and follow:

1. All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: [catalog.uccs.edu](http://catalog.uccs.edu)
2. All course prerequisites designated by the University. Failure to meet course prerequisites may result in an administrative drop of the course from a student's schedule. See degree audit for course prerequisites within the academic major.

**MAJOR INFORMATION**

Psychology opens the door to one of the most challenging and rewarding professional fields today. Psychology students learn the necessary skills to assist people in improving their mental health; they also gain knowledge and abilities that are valued in many other fields, such as business and politics. Psychology degree programs provide graduates with the skills and tools they need to be successful in a variety of challenging careers. Students who choose to obtain a psychology degree will be prepared for a wide variety of professional opportunities and not just in psychology. Those with an educational background in psychology can apply their knowledge and skills to many different professional specializations.

Women's and Ethnic Studies (WEST) is an interdisciplinary program that brings together faculty from across the campus. The WEST major centers on the histories, experiences, and cultural expressions of women and racial or ethnic groups not only in the United States but also across the world. Our approach is intersectional in that it explores the connections among race, class, gender, sexuality, disability, and other socially constructed hierarchies. WEST emphasizes cultural responsiveness, critical and cross-disciplinary thinking, creative and innovative teaching, community engagement, and local and global awareness. We aim to create an equitable and sustainable world by analyzing structural inequality from a historical and cultural perspective and exploring strategies to achieve these goals.

<b>Major Requirements</b>				
<b>Psychology/WEST Double Major</b>	<b>Course/Area</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>	
<p><b>Psychology Major</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requires a minimum of 33 credit hours of PSY course work and a minimum of 18 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) PSY course work.</li> <li>• A grade of at least C- in the four required foundation courses, the four core content courses, and the one Advanced Seminar is required.</li> </ul> <p><b>Women's and Ethnic Studies Major</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Women's and Ethnic Studies major requires a minimum of 30 credit hours of WEST course work and a minimum of 21 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) WEST course work.</li> <li>• All WEST courses must have a grade of "C" or better.</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> If students choose to take WEST 4950 as a WEST elective, then they will need to take WEST 3300 prior to taking 4950.</p>		<b>PSYCHOLOGY REQUIREMENTS</b>		
		PSY 1000	General Psychology	3
		PSY 1100	The Profession of Psychology	1
		PSY 2100	Introduction to Psychological Statistics	4
		PSY 2110	Introduction to Psychological Research and Measurements	4
		Core Content Courses	<i>Complete four courses from those listed below with no more than one course from any given area:</i> <b>Abnormal Psychology:</b> PSY 3280, <b>Biopsychology:</b> PSY 3270, <b>Cognition &amp; Learning:</b> PSY 3130, PSY 3140, or PSY 3200, <b>Developmental Psychology:</b> PSY 3620, <b>Social Psychology:</b> PSY 3400	12-13
		Advanced Seminar	<i>Complete one of the following:</i> PSY 4060, 4110, 4130, 4240, 4270, 4280, 4400, 4430, 4510, 4620	3
		Psychology Electives	<i>Complete 6 additional hours of PSY courses to meet total and upper-division credit hours.</i>	5-6
		PSY Senior Exam	<i>Complete the Psychology Senior Accountability Exam.</i>	0
			<b>WOMEN'S &amp; ETHNIC STUDIES REQUIREMENTS</b>	
		WEST 1010	Introduction to Social Justice Studies	3
		WEST 3400	Advanced Theory: An Intersectional Approach	3
		Substantive Area Requirement	Choose 1 course from each of the following 3 substantive areas. For a complete, current list of courses, please refer to the WEST website: <a href="http://www.uccs.edu/west/current_students/substantive.html">www.uccs.edu/west/current_students/substantive.html</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transnational/Global Studies - PSYC 3560 can be used to fulfill this requirement in addition to the current list</li> <li>• Creative and Artistic Expression</li> <li>• Social Movements, Communities and History</li> </ul>	9
		Upper-Division WEST Electives	Additional upper-division (3000+ level) WEST courses <b>NOTE:</b> PSY/WEST cross-listed courses can count towards this requirement; additionally, the following PSY courses can count towards this requirement: PSY 3400, 3450, 3480 (depending on topic), 3620, 3660	15

General Education and Elective Requirements																					
<b>Composition</b> (3 hours)	1. ENGL 1310 2. ENGL 1410 3. PORT 3000 (0 Credits) – Writing Portfolio																				
<b>Reasoning Skills</b> (4 hours)	MATH 1040																				
<b>Area Requirements</b> (27 hours) • Maximum 2 courses from any one discipline may be applied to the area requirements • Courses may not be taken pass/fail	1. Humanities – 9 credit hours of which 3 credits must be HUM 3990. 2. Social Sciences – 9 credit hours 3. Natural Sciences – 9 credits hours, of which at least 1 credit must be from a lab course  <b>NOTE:</b> Cannot select courses from primary major courses for area requirements.																				
<b>Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity, and Global Awareness Requirements</b>	One course from each list (see degree audit). <i>All courses that fulfill these requirements may also count towards other general education or major requirements.</i>																				
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<b>General Electives</b> (9 hours)	Complete additional courses to meet total and upper-division requirements for your degree program.																				

### Four-Year Degree Plan

Please note that this is an *example* degree program and your program may vary. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.**

Year One	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			ENGL 1310	3		ENGL 1410
		PSY 1000	3		PSY 1100	1
		GPS 1010	3		WEST 1010	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		MATH 1040	3
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		Humanities Elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	15		<b>TOTAL</b>	13

Year Two	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			PSY 2100	4		PSY 2110
		WEST Substantive Area Course	3		WEST 3400	3
		Explore – Society, Behavior & Health Course	3		WEST Substantive Area Course	3
		Natural Science Elective	3		Oral Communication	3
		General Elective	3		Humanities Elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	16		<b>TOTAL</b>	16

Year Three	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			PSY Core Content Course	3		PSY Core Content Course
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		WEST Substantive Area Course	3		WEST UD Elective	3
		WEST Upper-Division (UD) Elective	3		HUM 3990	3
		Natural Science Elective (w/lab)	4		Social Science Elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	16		<b>TOTAL</b>	15

Year Four	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			PSY Advanced Seminar	3		UD PSY Elective
		WEST UD Elective	3		UD PSY Elective	3
		WEST UD Elective	3		WEST UD Elective	3
		Social Science Elective	3		Natural Science Elective	2
		General Elective	3		Social Science Elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	15		<b>TOTAL</b>	14