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2009-2010 CURRICULUM CHECK SHEET is a guide to the requirements of this major. **It is NOT necessary to take these courses in the order given.** Please consult the online Bulletin for specific details (<http://www.lasierra.edu/academics/bulletin>).

		FALL	WINTER	SPRING
<b>FIRST YEAR</b>	* General Psychology (PSYC 104 & Lab)(5 units) <i>PSYC 104 without lab meets Theme IA</i>	_____	_____	_____
	* Psychology Colloquium (PSYC 219)(0.5 unit)	_____	_____	_____
	** General Biology (BIOL 111 & Lab)(5 units) <i>Meets Theme IVA</i>	_____	_____	_____
	First Year Seminar (UNST 101/100)(2-6 units)	_____	_____	_____
	College Writing (ENGL 111, 112, 113)(9 units) OR (ENGL 124)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Math Foundational Studies requirement.			
	MATH 115, 121, 155, CPTG 117 (4 units)(CPTG 117 recommended, not required)	_____	_____	_____
	World Language Foundational Requirement ( <i>Proficiency through 153</i> )	_____	_____	_____
	Lifetime Fitness (PEAC 120)(2 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Theme IC: Globalization, Identity, & Citizenship. <i>Choose 1 course from:</i>			
	SSCI 104, 105, 106, 107 (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Theme III: Religious Beliefs and Practice (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	<b>SECOND YEAR</b>	* Psychology Colloquium (PSYC 219)(0.5 unit)	_____	_____
* Physiological Psychology (PSYC 261 & Lab)(5 units)		_____	_____	_____
* Methods & Statistics I, II, III (PSYC 321, 322, 323 & Labs)(14 units)		_____	_____	_____
* Major Electives with Lab (minimum of 2 courses)(8-10 units) <i>Select from:</i>				
PSYC 234 & Lab, PSYC 251 & Lab, PSYC 374 & Lab, PSYC 414 & Lab, PSYC 435 & Lab, PSYC 456 & Lab, PSYC 464 & Lab		_____	_____	_____
Theme IIA: Arts Appreciation or History (4 units)		_____	_____	_____
Theme IIC: Exploring American Culture. <i>Choose 1 course from:</i> HUMN 204, 205 (4 units)		_____	_____	_____
Theme III: Religious Beliefs and Practice (4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
<b>THIRD YEAR</b>	* Career Colloquium (PSYC 319)(1 unit)	_____	_____	_____
	* Major Electives PSYC (18-20 units, total electives 28 units) <i>Select from:</i>			
	PSYC 275, 314, 344, 356, 364, 385, 392, 401, 434, 452, 454, 474, 478, 482A-Z, 484 A-Z, 486, 495	_____	_____	_____
	Upper Division Rhetorical Course (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Theme IIB: Historical or Contemporary Culture and Context (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Theme III: Religious Beliefs and Practice. <i>Choose 1 course from:</i> RLG N 304, 305 (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Theme IVB: Physical Science (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
Electives	_____	_____	_____	
<b>FOURTH YEAR</b>	* Psychology Colloquium (PSYC 219)(0.5 unit)	_____	_____	_____
	* Seminar in Psychology (PSYC 488)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Theme III: Religious Beliefs and Practice (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	<i>Must be in Scripture, Theme IIIC, unless previously taken</i>	_____	_____	_____
	Theme IVC: Scientific Foundations. <i>Choose 1 course from:</i> NSCI 404, 405, 406, 407 (4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Theme V: Religious, Moral & Social Aspects of Psychology (UNST 404M)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____
	Electives to complete 190 quarter units	_____	_____	_____
* Major Requirements (66-67.5 units)				
** Cognate Requirements				

# PSYCHOLOGY

## *B.A. Degree*

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND RELATED OCCUPATIONS:** The Bachelor's of Arts degree in Psychology is a broad program and represents a variety of interests. The requirements are organized around a core set of courses with additional breadth and depth courses from which the students may select based on their interests.

A major in Psychology may prepare the student for a career in psychology, marriage and family therapy, teaching, special education, medicine, dentistry, social work, psychiatric, social work, speech therapy, ministry, personnel administration, or residence hall deanship. While most of these career areas require advanced study at the graduate level, graduates may also directly enter the job market in some of these fields.

**EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:** A Doctoral degree is often required for employment as a psychologist, particularly in the academic world. People with Doctorates in Psychology qualify for a wide range of responsible research, clinical, and counseling positions in universities, private industry and government. A Bachelor's degree in Psychology is appropriate for careers in management and social work.

**JOB OUTLOOK:** Employment of psychologists is expected to grow faster than average for all occupations through 2014, because of increased demand for psychological services in schools, hospitals, social service agencies, mental health centers, substance abuse treatment clinics, consulting firms, and private companies. Among the specialties in this field, school psychologists—especially those with a specialist degree or higher—may enjoy the best job opportunities.

**SALARY:** Salaries are determined by experience, professional preparation, employment setting and economic conditions.

According to the 2009 issue of the Enhanced Occupational Outlook Handbook, the median annual earnings of wage and salary specialists in the field are **\$59,440**.

## SOURCES OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### *Websites:*

#### **La Sierra University**

<http://www.lasierra.edu/>

#### **Department of Psychology**

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### *Professional Organizations:*

American Psychological Association,

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Psychology and Accreditation Offices

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<http://www.apa.org>

National Association of

School Psychologists

4030 East West Highway, Suite 402

Bethesda, MD 20814

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