

Psychology, BS

LAPGSBS

Explore the intersection of psychology and other STEM fields as you investigate how the brain and behavior shape human experiences. You'll learn how to use scientific data and collaborate with faculty to pursue innovative approaches to mental wellness, addiction, aging, memory, social challenges, societal issues such as climate change, and more.

Program description

The BS in psychology emphasizes the scientific study of human behavior, cognition and more. The program combines innovative learning methods with classroom and laboratory experiences for an education that encourages interdisciplinary opportunities.


Students gain a strong foundation in psychological theory and practice, honing research analysis and critical thinking skills. They engage with esteemed faculty, exploring human and animal behavior, and they learn to effectively interact with diverse groups across scientific interests and disciplines.

This program connects students to a robust support network, internships and engaged alumni. Graduates possess foundational psychology knowledge that enhances their work, relationships and family roles.

In addition to reviewing the guidelines in the Concurrent Program Options section below, students interested in pursuing concurrent or second baccalaureate degrees in The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are advised to visit [The College's website](#) for more information and requirements.

At a glance

- **College/School:** [The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences](#)
- **Location:** [Tempe](#)
- **Second language requirement:** No

- **First required math course:** MAT 119 - Finite Mathematics
or MAT 170 Pre-Calculus
- **Math intensity:** Moderate 

Required courses (Major Map)

[2024 - 2025 Major Map](#)

[Major Map \(Archives\)](#)

Concurrent program options

Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a "double major") earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

Accelerated program options

This program allows students to obtain both a bachelor's and master's degree in as little as five years. It is offered as an **accelerated bachelor's plus master's degree** with:

[Global Management, MGM](#)

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. Students typically receive approval to pursue the accelerated master's during the junior year of their bachelor's degree program. Interested students can learn about eligibility requirements and [how to apply](#).

Admission requirements

General university admission requirements:

All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

[First-year](#) | [Transfer](#) | [International](#) | [Readmission](#)

Additional requirements:

Freshman admission requirements for this program are the same as the university's freshman admission requirements.

Transfer admission requirements:

Transfer applicants must meet university transfer admission requirements.

Tuition information

When it comes to paying for higher education, everyone's situation is different. Students can learn about [ASU tuition and financial aid](#) options to find out which will work best for them.

Change of Major Requirements

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors.

Students should visit the [Change of Major form](#) for information about how to change a major to this program.

Transfer options

ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use [MyPath2ASU@](#) to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to transfer.

ASU has [transfer partnerships](#) in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and they help students save time and money in their college journey.

Global opportunities

Global experience

Through study abroad programs, students are exposed to unique differences in human behavior and the human condition, are able to improve language and cross-cultural skills for effective communication, and are challenged to adapt to new social and cultural circumstances.

The expanded education that students acquire through a [Global Education program](#) will be a valuable enhancement to their resume, helping them stand out when applying for graduate school or when pursuing their choice of careers

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences recommends [these programs](#) for students majoring in psychology.

Career opportunities

With a Bachelor of Science in psychology, students gain diverse career options. This program establishes a strong foundation for immediate entry into science-based career fields, such as health care or research and development in an academic or business environment.

It also positions students for a pathway into medical school. Graduates are well-prepared for rewarding careers in pre-med and health fields as well as research and graduate study in psychology, health sciences, law and other graduate-level degree programs.

Example job titles and salaries listed below are not necessarily entry level, and students should take into consideration how years of experience and geographical location may affect pay scales. Some jobs also may require advanced degrees, certifications or state-specific licensure.

Career	*Growth	*Median salary
<u>Addictions Counselor</u> ☀	18.4%	\$49,710
<u>Industrial Psychologist</u> ☀	5.9%	\$139,280
<u>Lawyer</u> ☀	7.5%	\$135,740
<u>Licensed Clinical Psychologist</u> ☀	11.4%	\$90,130
<u>Market Research Analyst</u> ☀	13.4%	\$68,230
<u>Mental Health Counselor</u> ☀	18.4%	\$49,710
<u>Occupational Therapist (OT)</u> ☀	11.5%	\$93,180
<u>Probation Officer</u>	2.5%	\$59,860
<u>School Psychologist</u>	1.3%	\$81,500
<u>Substance Abuse Social Worker</u> ☀	10.6%	\$51,240

* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).

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