



**BACHELOR OF ARTS**  
**GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

THE STUDENT MUST DO THE FOLLOWING TO RECEIVE A BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE:

1. COMPLETE A MINIMUM OF 120 CREDIT HOURS OF STUDY, AT LEAST 60 OF WHICH OR AT LEAST THE LAST 30 CREDITS BEFORE GRADUATION ARE AT SOUTHERN VIRGINIA. NO MORE THAN 9 CREDIT HOURS WILL BE GRANTED FOR INTERNSHIP COURSES.
2. COMPLETE ALL REQUIREMENTS OF THE SOUTHERN VIRGINIA CORE.
3. COMPLETE ALL REQUIREMENTS OF AT LEAST ONE MAJOR.
4. EARN A MINIMUM GRADE POINT AVERAGE OF 2.00 ON ALL COURSE WORK TAKEN AT THE UNIVERSITY.
5. COMPLY WITH ALL UNIVERSITY STANDARDS, REGULATIONS, AND PROCEDURES, FROM THE DATE OF MATRICULATION THROUGH THE DATE OF FINAL GRADUATION.

**PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR**  
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**Learning Objectives**

The Learning Objectives for the psychology major at Southern Virginia are aligned with the American Psychological Association's (APA) "Guidelines for the Undergraduate Psychology Major." Graduates of the psychology program are expected to demonstrate the following:

1. Fundamental knowledge of psychological concepts and principles.
2. Understanding of scientific reasoning and problem solving, including research methods.
3. Familiarity of ethical standards and socially responsible behaviors.
4. Effective written, oral, and interpersonal communication skills.
5. Preparation for future employment and/or further education.

Program Coordinator: Dr. Alison Caldwell-Andrews

**Major Requirements (36 Credit Hours)**

**Major Core: 12 credit hours to be taken during the freshman and sophomore years:**

MAT 221 Statistics (3)  
PSY 105 General Psychology (3)  
PSY 290 Research Methods (3)  
PSY 450 History and Systems (3)

**Biological Bases of Behavior: Take 3 (9)**

PSY 330 Cognitive Psychology (3)  
PSY 333 Learning and Behavior (3)  
PSY 342 Sensation or Perception (3)  
PSY 350 Behavioral Neuroscience (3)

**Social Bases of Behavior: Take 3 (9)**

PSY 230 Lifespan Development (3)  
PSY 320 Social Psychology (3)  
PSY 345 Abnormal Psychology (3)  
PSY 355 Theories of Personality (3)

**Major Electives: 2 (6)**

PSY 310 Cultural Psychology  
PSY 320 Social Psychology (3)  
PSY 323 Industrial/Organizational Psychology (3)  
PSY 325 Psychology of Leadership (3)  
PSY 327 Psychology of Humor (3)  
PSY 330 Cognitive Psychology (3)  
PSY 333 Learning and Behavior (3)  
PSY 335 Positive Psychology (3)  
PSY 340 Performance and Sports Psychology (3)  
PSY 342 Sensation and Perception (3)  
PSY 345 Abnormal Psychology (3)  
PSY 348 Psychology of Addiction (3)  
PSY 350 Behavioral Neuroscience (3)  
PSY 355 Theories of Personality (3)  
PSY 375R Topics in Psychology (var.)  
PSY 399R Internship/Practicum (var.)  
PSY 420 Psychopharmacology  
PSY 430 Experimental Methods (3)  
PSY 440 Counseling Psychology (3)  
PSY 475R Senior Topics in Psychology (var.)  
PSY 499 Internship/Practicum (var.)