

**Recommended Academic Plan for Psychology ([PSHBS](#) at Penn State Erie, The Behrend College)
Effective Summer 2001**

Semester 1	Credits	Semester 2	Credits
First-Year Seminar	1	CMPSC 100 Computer Fundamentals and Applications or CMPSC 203 Introduction to Spreadsheets and Databases (See Program Notes)	1-3
ENGL 015 (GWS) Rhetoric and Composition <i>or</i> ENGL 030 (GWS) Honors Freshman Composition	3	PSYCH 200-level +	3
PSYCH 100 (GS) Introductory Psychology	3	Arts (GA), Humanities (GH), or Social & Behavioral Science (GS)*	3
Quantification (GQ)** MATH 110 Techniques of Calculus I or MATH 140 Calculus with Analytic Geometry I	4	General Education (GA, GH, or GS)*	3
Natural Science (GN)**	3	Natural Science (GN)**	3
Total Credits:	14	Total Credits:	13-15
Semester 3	Credits	Semester 4	Credits
PSYCH 200-level +	3	PSYCH 200-level +	3
PSYCH 200-level +	3	PSYCH 200 (GQ) Elementary Statistics in Psychology or STAT 200 (GQ) Elementary Statistics	4
General Education Selection*	3	General Education Selection*	3
CAS 100 (GWS) Effective Speech	3	Natural Science if General Option Business Course if Business Option	3
Natural Science (GN)**	3	ENGL 202A (GWS) Effective Writing: Writing in the Social Sciences or ENGL 202C (GWS) Effective Writing: Technical Writing	3
Health and Physical Activity (GHA)	1.5		
Total Credits:	16.5	Total Credits:	16
Semester 5	Credits	Semester 6	Credits
PSYCH 301W Basic Research Methods in Psychology	4	PSYCH 406W Advanced Research Projects in Psychology	4
PSYCH 400-level	3	PSYCH 400-level	3
Natural Science if General Option Business Course if Business Option	3	Natural Science if General Option Business Course if Business Option	3
General Education Selection*	3	Elective	3
PSYCH any level	3	Elective	3
Total Credits:	16	Total Credits:	16
Semester 7	Credits	Semester 8	Credits
PSYCH 400-level	3	PSYCH 494 Research Projects, PSYCH 495 Internship, PSYCH 496 Independent Studies, or other PSYCH course	3
Natural Science if General Option Business Course if Business Option	3	Natural Science if General Option Business Course if Business Option	3
Natural Science if General Option Business Course if Business Option	3	Natural Science if General Option Business Course if Business Option	3
Electives	6	General Education Selection*	3
Health and Physical Activity (GHA)	1.5	Elective	3
Total Credits:	16.5	Total Credits:	15

- **Bold type** indicates courses requiring a quality grade of C or better.
- *Italics* indicate courses that satisfy both major and General Education requirements.
- GWS, GHA, GQ, GN, GA, GH, and GS are codes used to identify General Education requirements.
- *Students need 6 credits in GA, 6 credits in GH, and 6 credits in GS. Courses may not be taken in the area of the student's primary major.
- **Students need 6 credits in GQ and 9 credits in GN; one Natural Science (GN) course must include a laboratory component.
- US, IL, and US:IL are codes used to designate courses that satisfy University United States/International Cultures requirements.
- Both US (United States Cultures) and IL (International Cultures) must be completed within the degree requirements.
- W and Y are codes used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirements.

Scheduling patterns for courses not taught each semester: CMPSC 100 & STAT 200 are offered only in the spring.

Program Notes: Recommended: [CMPSC 203](#) (GQ) Introduction to Spreadsheets and Databases as substitution for CMPSC 100 (if CMPSC 100 is taken for 1.0 credit, at least 2 credits of electives will need to be taken).

Academic Advising Notes: The course series listed above is only one of many possible ways to move through this curriculum. The number of electives required varies per student. Please be sure to consult with an adviser about your intended plan.

+ Refer to the [check sheet](#) for categories