

Bachelor of Arts Degree (BA)

PSYCHOLOGY CONCENTRATION



SMC offers a customizable, multidisciplinary studies Bachelor of Arts Degree that allows you to choose two concentrations (similar to majors) to focus your studies on, without adding time or coursework to your degree. When you customize your degree for your interests, you get a broader education and skill set that prepares you for more jobs today and new career paths in the future. Our customizable Bachelor of Arts Degree provides you with a quality liberal arts education and discipline-specific coursework.

Psychology

Completing a psychology concentration provides students a curriculum focused on the inner workings of the mind, including cognitive, abnormal, and personality development. Learning these critical skills will open doors for bachelor's degree graduates in a number of fields, including counseling, health services, social work, human resources, and more.

CHOOSE ANOTHER CONCENTRATION

With SMC's customizable Bachelor of Arts Degree, students choose two concentrations to complete their degree program. Combining psychology with either business, criminal justice, English, history, or religion will expand your career options.

CAMAK CORE

Every four-year degree at Spartanburg Methodist College includes our unique Camak Core professional development program. The Camak Core is a required set of courses that focus on teaching students professional skills such as leadership, teamwork, problem-solving, and professional communication. Students graduate better prepared to interview for jobs and enter the workforce.



START HERE
*to begin your higher
education journey.*



FINISH HERE
*with the skills you
need to succeed.*



Spartanburg Methodist College

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The Bachelor of Arts Degree is designed to be transferred into from an associate degree or its equivalent (60 credit hours). In addition to a core of Professional Development courses (18 hours), which all students will take, the student then selects two concentrations (18 hours each) from business, criminal justice, English, history, psychology, or religion.

TRANSFER PATHWAY

The transfer pathway into all of SMC's bachelor's degrees includes the following elements: the student must have earned an Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree or have earned 60 credit hours of transferable general education coursework with a minimum 2.00 GPA from a regionally accredited college or university.

TUITION & FEES

The tuition and fees below apply to the 2024-2025 school year. Please note that all tuition and fees are subject to change at any time when circumstances warrant.

Tuition (per academic year)	\$17,400*
Room & Board (per academic year)	\$10,200
Fees (per academic year)	\$3,250

*Tuition rate for full-time students is based on an hourly rate of \$725 per credit hour up to the 12-credit-hour, full-time requirement.

Course Requirements

Subject/Course Requirement

Semester Hours

Associate Degree* – 60 Hours Required

Associate degree or equivalent (60 credit hours of general education courses & 2.0 GPA)

Camak Core – 18 Hours Required

Professional development coursework to include leadership, communications, applied technology, and career-based experiences.

PDEV 301 Professional Communication	3
PDEV 310 Professional Development and Leadership	3
PDEV 320 Community Discovery and Engagement	3
PDEV 400 Applied Technology	3
PDEV 410 Semester Internship or	
PDEV 411, 412, 413 Internships I, II, III (1 hour each)	3
PDEV 430 Capstone	3

Psychology Concentration – 18 Hours Required

Concentration Prerequisites and Corequisites: Students who enter the Psychology concentration must have passed the following courses: Prerequisite: PSYC 101; PSYC 201 and MATH 112 as prerequisites or corequisites to all 300-level Psychology courses.

Students must take the following course:

PSYC 330 Research Methods in the Behavioral Sciences.

Students will choose five of the following courses:

PSYC 300 Social Psychology
PSYC 305 Theories of Development
PSYC 310 Abnormal Psychology
PSYC 313 Organizational Behavior
PSYC 315 Drugs, Rehab, and Treatment
PSYC 320 Theories of Personality
PSYC 330 Research Methods in the Behavioral Sciences
PSYC 331 Research Methods in the Behavioral Sciences II
PSYC 335 Theories of Counseling
PSYC 340 Expressive Therapies
PSYC 350 Health Psychology
PSYC 355 Community Psychology
PSYC 365 Cognitive Psychology
PSYC 400 Behavior Modification
PSYC 410 Psychology of Learning and Memory
PSYC 415 Psychology of Attachment
PSYC 420 Early Childhood Mental Health: How Children Develop
PSYC 425 Psychology of Child Maltreatment
PSYC 430 Psychology of Child Pathologies and Disorders
PSYC 435 The Psychology of the Exceptional Child

Second Concentration – 18 Hours Required

Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Arts – Psychology Concentration must select a second concentration from Business, English, History, Criminal Justice, or Religion.

Electives – 6 Hours Required

Competency in Foreign Language at the 102 (SPAN 140 for heritage Spanish speakers) or higher level is required. Up to six elective hours may be used to achieve Foreign Language competency; otherwise, elective hours must be taken at the 300 level or higher.

Total 120 Credit Hours

*Associate degree (not Applied Science) or equivalent from a regionally accredited college or university (60 credit hours of general education courses & 2.0 GPA).