

Spartanburg Methodist College

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology



A Bachelor of Arts in Psychology prepares students for a number of careers. The study of the human mind gives graduates the tools, insights, and knowledge to pursue roles working with people. Combined with Spartanburg Methodist College's unique Camak Core professional development curriculum, students will be prepared to enter the workforce with the confidence in their academic skills and the soft skills needed to contribute and succeed right away.

Psychology

The study of psychology provides students with a more complete understanding of the inner workings of the human mind. From cognitive development to behavioral science to personality studies, psychology graduates will have a number of career options available to them. With the concepts learned in this degree, graduates can go on to roles in therapy, management, child development, and more.

PREPARING YOU FOR A CAREER . . .

A psychology degree prepares students for a variety of careers and corporate opportunities, including company executive, child development specialist, recruiter, and human resources representative, among others.

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.*



The Bachelor of Arts in Psychology degree trains individuals in the inner workings of the human mind to assume roles in working with people in various industries. Students will be prepared to go on to master's programs or take positions as manager, human resources representatives, case workers, and psychiatric aides. They will learn the concepts of behavior, development, human interaction, and cognitive psychology to better understand how the mind works.

Course Requirements

Psychology

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 or 415 Semester Internship or	
PDEV 411, 412, 413 Internships I, II, III (1 hour each)	3
PDEV 430 Capstone	3

Psychology Core – 24 Hours Required

PSYC 300 Social Psychology	3
PSYC 310 Abnormal Psychology	3
PSYC 320 Theories of Personality	3
PSYC 330 Research in Behavioral Science	3
PSYC 331 Research II	3
PSYC 350 Health Psychology	3
PSYC 355 Community Psychology	3
PSYC 365 Cognitive Psychology	3

Psychology Specializations – Choose 4 of the following – 12 Hours Required, at least 9 Hour at 400 level

PSYC 305 Theories of Development	3
PSYC 313 Organizational Behavior	3
PSYC 315 Drugs, Rehab, and Treatment	3
PSYC 335 Theories of Counseling	3
PSYC 340 Expressive Therapies	3
PSYC 400 Behavior Modification	3
PSYC 410 Psychology of Learning and Memory	3
PSYC 415 Psychology of Attachment	3
PSYC 420 Early Childhood Mental Health	3
PSYC 425 Psychology of Child Maltreatment	3
PSYC 430 Psychology of Child Pathologies and Disorders	3
PSYC 435 The Psychology of the Exceptional Child	3

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).

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.