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To: Don Betz, Chancellor  
116 North Hall  
University of Wisconsin-River Falls

From: David Rainville, Chair  
Faculty Senate  
University of Wisconsin-River Falls

RE: UW-RF Faculty Senate Motion 2007/2008/47

At the April 9, 2008 meeting of Wisconsin-River Falls Faculty senate, motion 2007-2008/47 was passed. This motion is forwarded for your action

A motion from the AP&P to adopt a minor revision in the Psychology major.


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Approved

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Disapproved

  
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Don Betz, Chancellor

  
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Date

**TRANSMITTAL for UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS: Changes or Proposals**

**I. INFORMATION:**

- A. Check all that apply:      New Program       Existing Program   
Name Change       Credits Change   
Substantial Major / Minor Content Change       Emphasis/Option Change

B. Program Title: Psychology

C. Department(s) (Originating): Psychology

D. College(s) (Originating): College of Arts and Sciences

E. Other Programs / Departments Consulted (Requires letters of support from all Departments or Programs substantially affected):

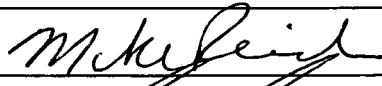
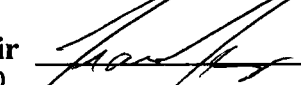
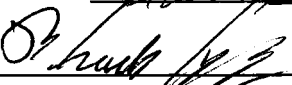
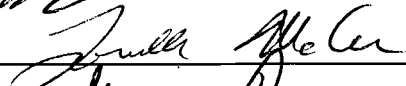

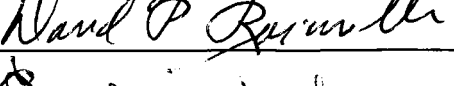

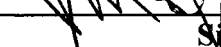
- 1) not affecting other programs      2)  
3)      4)

F. Date of Implementation: Fall Semester      08-09 Year

G. Have all courses in this program been approved? Yes  No  If "No", which ones?

H. Attach Request Narrative

**II. UNIT APPROVALS:** Requires signatures of all Department Chairs and Deans whose programs will be substantially affected by the changes or proposal. Signature lines for the affected Departments and Colleges (noted in "E" above), are on the back of this form. These signatures should be obtained prior to review by all other shared governance levels.

	Signature	Date
Department Curriculum Committee Chair (optional)	_____	_____
Department Chair		1/31/08
College Curriculum Cmtt. Chair		2/21/08
Dean of College		2/31/08
University Curriculum Cmtt. Chair		2/25/08
Academic Policy & Program Cmtt. Chair		3/25/08
Faculty Senate Chair		4/9/08
Provost / Vice Chancellor		_____
Chancellor		4/18/08

\*NOTE: The master copy of this transmittal & accompanying documents must be filed in the Provost's office upon final approval. The Provost's office will notify all appropriate administrative offices [Registrar, Dean(s), & Department Chair(s)] of approvals & necessary actions to implement changes

## **Psychology Major Curriculum Reorganization (Rev. 3/11/08)**

Effective Fall Semester 2008

Consistent with the psychology department planning documents and goals, the psychology faculty has discussed the organization and requirements for the psychology major. Based on our deliberations, consideration of other programs, the perceived needs of our students, and anticipated developments in the field, we have reorganized the courses that are required for the psychology major. The number of required credits remains at 36. With the exception of a course number change (Advanced Research Methods 275-3cr), we are not proposing any new courses. The revised curriculum attempts to ensure students receive a sound background in the traditional areas of psychology, provide some degree of choice within those areas, and encourage the development of research skills. We believe this modification will provide students with course options and also allow the department additional flexibility in course scheduling for our large number of majors. It is our intention to initiate these changes in the fall semester, 2008.

The minor course requirements will remain unchanged. Twenty-four credits are required for the minor program.

### **Current Requirements**

#### **General Education Requirements**

General Psychology 101-3cr  
Behavioral Statistics 201-3cr

#### **Required Courses-18 credits**

Research Methods 205-3cr  
Social Psychology 265-3cr  
Psyc Meas and Eval 315-3cr  
Learning and Motivation 305-3cr  
Physiological Psychology 355-3cr  
History and Systems 401-3cr

#### **Required Area Options-9 credits**

Child and Adoles Dev 236-3cr or  
Adult Dev and Aging 336-3cr

Memory and Thinking 310-3cr or  
Sensation and Perception 350-3cr

Psychology of Personality 320-3cr or  
Abnormal Psychology 325-3cr

#### **Additional Course Work-9 credits**

Various Psychology Electives

### **Proposed Requirements**

#### **General Education Requirements**

General Psychology 101-3cr  
Behavioral Statistics 201-3cr

#### **Required Courses-6 credits**

Research Methods 205-3cr  
History and Systems 401-3cr

#### **Required Area Options-21 credits**

*Psychological Methods*-3 credits  
Adv Research Methods 275-3cr or  
Psyc Meas and Eval 315-3cr

*Psychological Development*-3 credits  
Child and Adoles Dev 236-3cr or Adult  
Dev and Aging 336-3cr

*Learning and Cognition*-3 credits  
Learning and Motivation 305-3cr or  
Memory and Thinking 310-3cr

*Individual Differences*-6 credits (2 of 3)  
Social Psychology 265-3cr and/or  
Psychology of Personality 320-3cr  
and/or Abnormal Psychology 325-3cr

*Biological Bases*-6 credits (2 of 3)  
Animal Behavior 340-3cr and/or  
Sensation and Perception 350-3cr and/or  
Physiological Psyc 355-3cr

**Applied Psychology Options-3 credits**

Psychology of Adjustment (160)-3cr  
Sex Differences, Gender Roles, and  
Sexual Orientation (225)-3cr  
Industrial and Organizational  
Psychology (250)-3cr  
Behavior Modification (260)-3cr  
Psychology of Prejudice and Racism  
(285) \*fulfills the University diversity  
requirement-3cr  
Psychological Foundations of Employee  
Selection (361)-3cr  
Psychological Foundations of Employee  
Training (362)-3cr  
The Psychology of Human Sexuality  
(375)-3cr  
Introduction to Clinical Psychology  
(425)-3cr

Curriculum Reorganization

Approved:

Psychology Dept. 9/07/07

CAS Curriculum Committee

2/21/08

Academic Policy and Program

Committee

3/11/08

**Elective Psychology Courses: 6 credits**

In addition to completing the course area requirements, the student must take additional psychology courses to achieve the required 36 credits for the major. These courses may be selected from any of the required areas listed above or from the following:

Psychology Colloquium I (110) \*for all incoming first-year students only-1cr

Special Topics in Psychology (289)-3cr

Psychology Semester Abroad (378)-3cr

Internship in Psychology (379)-1 to 3cr

Seminar in Psychology (480)-3cr

Independent Study in Psychology (490)-

1 to 3cr

If 101 and/or 201 are not used in General Education, they may be used as elective courses in the psychology major.