

REQUIREMENTS TO DECLARE THE PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR

To declare a major in psychology, a student must:

- Successfully complete or be currently enrolled in PSY 301;
- Achieve a GPA at WWU of 2.70 or higher (based on at least 12 credits). A GPA of 3.0 or higher in PSY courses completed at WWU, including PSY 301, may substitute for the cumulative 2.70 GPA.

PRE-MAJOR

Students intending to take PSY 301 and declare a major in psychology must first apply to the pre-major. The psychology pre-major and major are **highly impacted**, meaning the number of students wishing to declare exceeds the space available. As a result, admission to the pre-major will be determined each quarter on a space-available basis based on GPA, ranked from high to low. The GPA used will be the highest of either a cumulative GPA or an average of PSY 210–250 courses.

PREREQUISITES

1. Completion (including current enrollment) of at least 90 credits;
2. Completion of at least 20 PSY credits by the end of the current quarter, including PSY 101 and three courses from PSY 210, 220, 230, 240, and 250, or transfer credit for those courses as indicated on the Transfer Equivalency Report. At least 5 PSY credits must be taken at Western;
3. Achieved a Western GPA (based on at least 12 credits) of 2.60 or higher. In the absence of a Western GPA, a GPA of 2.60 or higher from an equivalent four-year institution (based on at least 12 credits) or a cumulative GPA from a completed Associates degree may substitute for the Western GPA. A PSY GPA (based on an average of a minimum of TWO grades earned in PSY 210, 220, 230, 240, and 250) may substitute for a cumulative GPA.

Pre-major applicants are also required to complete the Psychology Department Pre-major Quiz prior to having their application evaluated. The pre-major application portal and pre-major quiz will be available during weeks three and four of each fall, winter, and spring quarter via <http://chss.wvu.edu/psychology>.

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To make an advising appointment visit: <https://wwupsyhadvising.youcanbook.me>