

## Department of Psychology Assessment Plan

Student Learning Outcome	Course(s)	Outcome Measure(s)	Comparative External Measures	When Measured	Who Collects and Analyzes	How data are used for annual reporting and improvement.
<b>Graduates will demonstrate:</b>						
1. Understanding of experimental and non-experimental approaches used to study behavior and cognition.	PSY 200,300, 301, 303	PSY 200, 301 exams, 303 project	ETS MFT methodology indicator	During semester; senior year	Dept. faculty and Chairperson	Annual Strategic Plan Unit Report and department's assessment of curriculum
2. Understanding of statistical concepts and reasoning used in psychological research	PSY 200, 300, 301, 303, 419	PSY 300 Final Exam, 303 project	ETS MFT methodology indicator	During semester; senior year	Dept. faculty and Chairperson	Annual Strategic Plan Unit Report and department's assessment of curriculum
3. Knowledge of the basic concepts and theories of psychology, to include cognitive, biological, developmental, social, and clinical/abnormal psychology.	PSY 101,200, 335,340,360, 345,350,355, 310,325,365, 319,321,309, 400, 430	Course exercises and exam items	ETS MFT content area indicators	During semester; senior year	Dept. faculty and Chairperson	Annual Strategic Plan Unit Report and department's assessment of curriculum
4. Understanding of the basic ethical issues in psychology.	PSY 101, 200,301,303	PSY 301 exam items, 303 IRB quiz and project	None	During semester	Dept. faculty	Annual Strategic Plan Unit Report and department's assessment of curriculum
5. Competence in scientific communication, including the skills for both written and oral presentation of psychological ideas.	PSY 230, 301, 303, 490	301 APA quiz and paper,303 and 490 papers & presentations	None	During semester	Dept. faculty	Annual Strategic Plan Unit Report and department's assessment of curriculum
6. Competence in the skills necessary to think clearly and critically about psychological information.	PSY 101, 200, 301,490	PSY 101,200, 301 exam items and homework exercises	Psychological Critical Thinking Exam	Senior Year	Dept. faculty and Chairperson	Annual Strategic Plan Unit Report and department's assessment of curriculum
Applied Learning Experiences	PSY 420,421, 303, 490	ALAT*: Project presentations	Conference papers	During semester	Dept. faculty and Chairperson	Annual Strategic Plan Unit Report
External Partnerships	PSY 420,421, 319,321,490	Partnerships Questionnaire	N/A	During semester	Dept. faculty	Annual Strategic Plan Unit Report
Graduation rate trends**	N/A	Graduation rate	N/A	Senior year	Chairperson	Strategic Plan Unit Report
Retention trends*	N/A.	Graduation rate	N/A	Senior year	Chairperson	Strategic Plan Unit Report

\* Applied Learning Assessment Tool

\*\*These data are tracked in the Psychology Major Applicant Database.