

FRESHMAN

SOPHOMORE

JUNIOR

SENIOR

COURSE SELECTION

- Get acquainted with the various subfields of psychology: PSYC 2010 Intro to Psychology
- Introduction to fundamental courses in Psychology
- STAT 2010 Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences
- PSYC 2140 Research Methods in Psychology
- PSYC 2020 Orientation to Major
- Foundational Courses in Applied (Group A courses) and Basic (Group B courses) Psychological Science
- Opportunities for Research (PSYC 3910) and Outreach (PSYC 3940) Courses
- Specialty Courses (Group C courses) and Electives.
- Opportunities for Research (PSYC 3910) and Outreach (PSYC 3940) Courses.

ASK FOR ASSISTANCE

- Meet regularly with your academic advisor and consult them when you have concerns about admission to particular classes or need more information about class requirements.
- Academic Support provides several *free* resources to improve performance including Study Partners, Supplemental Instruction and academic coaching. (auburn.edu/academicsupport)
- Receive individualized assistance by meeting with someone in the Career Center to explore B.A. and graduate degree career options.
- If you are thinking of going to grad school, junior year is the time to start planning for graduate school so begin exploring program options and prep for the Graduate Record Examinations (GRE).
- Start exploring career options with a B.A. in psychology
- Ask the Career Center for help in preparing your curriculum vitae (CV) and statement of intent.
- Also, you want to identify your reference letter writers early and provide plenty of notice.



Tichenor Hall, home of the College of Liberal Arts student advising.

GAIN EXPERIENCE

- Start looking early to gain experience in research, an integral part of a potential applicant's curriculum vitae.
- Use the Career Center to help search for related experiences.
- This is the perfect time to obtain a shadowing experience.
- Shadowing is an excellent way to observe your potential career in action.
- You should also consider conducting an informational interview.
- Little H.A.P.I.E. Tree could serve as great practicum experience for you.
- Contact the practicum coordinator to begin gaining experience in this area.
- If you have not already, you will need to gain research experience for graduate school applications.
- Contact the Office of Undergraduate Research for additional information (auburn.edu/undgres).



GET INVOLVED

- Psi Chi is the International National Honor Society in Psychology and is a great way to look for potential research opportunities and meet people in your major with similar interests.
- SONA is the system used by Auburn University to sign up for research studies.
- Participating in research is a great way to familiarize yourself with the field and identify research opportunities.
- The APA is one of the major professional bodies of the field of psychology, and if you haven't already, consider obtaining student membership to stay current in field developments and networking opportunities.
- Pursue a leadership role in at least one of the organizations in which you participate.



CAREER PLANNING

AUBURN UNIVERSITY CAREER CENTER
303 MARY MARTIN HALL | [AUBURN.EDU/CAREER](http://auburn.edu/career)



Mary Martin Hall, home of the Auburn University Career Center

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Entry into the applicant pool for many positions in the field of psychology, requires some form of advanced education. Masters level work in counseling/social work may be sufficient for some, but a Ph.D. is required to become a clinical psychologist.

CLINICAL/COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGIST MINIMUM EDUCATION: Psy.D., Ph.D. ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$38k - \$67k	INDUSTRIAL/ORGANIZATIONAL PSYCHOLOGIST MINIMUM EDUCATION: M.S., Ph.D. ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$48.8k - \$83.6k	CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELOR MINIMUM EDUCATION: M.S., M.A., M.Ed. ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$25.4k - \$40.1k
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These are just three options out of many that psychology majors pursue. For more career options be sure to check out "What Can I Do With a Major In..." on auburn.edu/career.