
Pre-Creative Arts Therapy Minor

18-19 credit hours required. Closed to Psychology majors and minors.

The courses for this minor were selected from those prerequisite skills necessary to apply for graduate programs that will enable licensure as a Creative Arts Therapist in New York State as well as courses providing a background in fundamental skills in psychology (i.e., an understanding of cause and effect, reliability and validity). Creative Arts Therapy includes, art, dance, theatre, poetry or writing therapy.

Although this minor is not intended to fully train students in Creative Arts Therapy, it will prepare students for further study in this area. Students interested in music therapy should seek a concentration in Special Music Education.

This minor is for individuals who are majors in Studio Art, Dance, Theatre, English Creative Writing and English Literature. Psychology majors and minors may not take this minor, but may select the courses below to achieve a concentration in this area.

Students should consult their adviser to ensure that the courses they select will fulfill the requirements for entry into a graduate program in Creative Arts Therapy.

Required Courses:	Credits
PSYC 100 Introduction to Psychology	3
PSYC 220 Child Development	3
or	
PSYC 321 Adolescent Psychology	
PSYC 300 Research Methods in Psychology	3
or	
PSYC 322 Mental Retardation	3-4
PSYC 364 Counseling Theories & Methods	3
PSYC 370 Theories of Personality	3
PSYC 375 Abnormal Psychology	3

Required cognate if Research Methods is selected: STAT 100 or its equivalent.

Note:

If students are interested in further psychology courses, they may take Child Psychopathology, Adulthood and Aging, and Tests & Measurements. Interested students should consult their adviser for more specific recommendations. Students may opt to take courses as S/U based on the stated College policy.

Recommended Coursework Outside the Minor:

Students are urged to consult with the coordinator for this minor program, as well as the Chair and Departmental adviser of their major to ensure that educational and professional objectives are met.

Suggested Psychology Major and Minor Tracks:

The following are suggested tracks of study for those students interested in particular areas of emphasis:

Clinical/Counseling

Abnormal Psychology, Biopsychology, Counseling Theories and Methods, Tests and Measurements.

Cognitive Science

Cognitive Psychology, Human Learning and Memory, Biopsychology, Sensory Psychology

Cognitive Development

Child Maltreatment, Mental Retardation, Child Development, Cognitive Psychology

Developmental

Advanced Child Psychology, Psychology of Adolescence, Adulthood, Middle-age and Aging

Graduate Directed

Students are advised to involve themselves in: Advanced Statistics, Psychology Honors Program, Seminars in Psychology, Research in Psychology Courses, Individual Research

School Psychology

Tests and Measurements, Educational Psychology, Abnormal Psychology, Advanced Child Psychology

Sport Psychology

Abnormal Psychology, Drugs and Behavior, Counseling Theories and Methods, Biopsychology.