## ACADEMIC RHODE MAP BA PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR



GENERAL EDUCATION: A complete listing of General Education courses can be found at the Office of Academic Support (OASIS) **401** 456-8083 or online at <a href="http://www.ric.edu/recordsoffice/Pages/College-Catalog.aspx">http://www.ric.edu/recordsoffice/Pages/College-Catalog.aspx</a> look at catalog for year you enrolled. For Gen Ed courses, aside from Second Language requirement, which varies depending on where you are placed, you need ONE course from each category. Second Language 101/102 options are: American Sign, Arabic, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latin, Portuguese, or Spanish. For other ways to satisfy the second language requirement look under the Gen Ed. section of the catalog. Any courses marked (F) offered Fall only; (Sp) Spring only. All courses marked with an asterisk \* have a prerequisite. For information about Math Placement exam visit: <a href="http://www.ric.edu/orientation/Pages/Math-Placement.aspx">http://www.ric.edu/orientation/Pages/Math-Placement.aspx</a>. Courses with (WID) are Writing in the Discipline courses and will be writing intensive.

Course

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This map is a semester-by-semester plan to help you toward graduation in four years. Not everyone graduates in four years as it depends on how many courses you can take, and how you do in those courses. This map is not your only route; it is a suggestion. You might take additional courses over the summer (or early spring/winter) to catch up or get ahead if the courses you need are offered at these times. While many courses in your major will have prerequisites that will need you to take them in a special order, there is some flexibility in this map, but always double check you have the correct prerequisites for a course you plan to take. Maps assume a Fall start.

The column to the left on the other side of this page suggests the ideal courses for you to take each semester. There are times when those courses may be full or unavailable the semester you plan to take them, in which case consider another course from a different semester with which you can switch. The column on the right has "Checkpoints" for each semester that show where you should be by the end of that semester. You should work from this map as you plan each semester's schedule, before checking in with your advisor. The Map is designed primarily for freshmen coming to college for the first time, but transfer students may also use the Rhode Map with the understanding that they have most likely completed several requirements through transfer of credit, and will be starting further into the program.

**GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:** The following requirements must be completed by undergraduate degree candidates at Rhode Island College in order to graduate:

- General Education program, including a second language requirement, and RIC 100 or its equivalent
- College Math Competency (which is separate from the Gen Ed math requirement)
- College Writing Competency (satisfied by FYW with a minimum grade of C)
- Academic Major—see check chart.
- A minimum of 120 credit hours, with a minimum of 45 credit hours taken at RIC. Of the 45 credit hours, a minimum of 15 credit hours must be in the major (12 of which must be at the 300- or 400-level).
- A minimum overall grade point average of 2.0
- A minimum grade point average of 2.0 in your major

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SEMESTER 1	CR	SEMESTER 1 CHECKPOINTS 🗸
First Year Writing (FYW 100) or First Year	4	FYW 100P is a 6 credit option. To decide which FYW to
Seminar (FYS 100).		take, check the Directed Self-Placement test at
		www.ric.edu/firstyearwriting
RIC 100 Introduction to Rhode Island College	1	Exempt if taking COLL 101, COLL 150, or HONR 150
Gen Ed Distribution course from <b>one</b> of these GE	4	□ If Math competency is completed, consider Gen Ed-
categories: Arts (A); Math (M); History (H); Literature		MATH 139* here, if not will need to take MATH 010.
(L); or Natural Sciences (NS).		Use Mathematics placement exam to find out.
Gen EdSecond Lang 101 (based on placement, a	4	Language placement test with Dept. of Modern
course higher than 101/102 may be taken). If		Languages (optional)
language requirement already satisfied: another Gen		Complete Second Lang 101 (if needed)
Ed Distribution course.		
PSYC 110: Intro to Psychology (Gen Ed SB)	4	
		Aim for 16 earned credits (While 12 is fulltime, 16 credits
		are preferred to stay on track to graduate in 4 years)
		Math competency completed
Requirements and GPA		D Minimum 2.0 GPA
# CREDITS EARNED	17	Make appointment with advisor to discuss your
		schedule for next semester in Sept.

SEMESTER 2	CR	SEMESTER 2 CHECKPOINTS 🖌
FYW 100 or FYS 100	4	□ Complete FYS and FYW, for FYW, grade C or better
PSYC 215: Social Psychology	4	
PSYC 251: Personality*	4	
Gen EdSecond Lang 102* (if needed), other Gen Ed	4	Complete Second Lang 102* (if needed)
Distribution course		
		□ Aim for minimum of 32 earned credits
Requirements and GPA		□ Minimum 2.0 GPA
# CREDITS EARNED	16	Make appointment with advisor to discuss your
		schedule for next semester in Feb.

SEMESTER 3	CR	SEMESTER 3 CHECKPOINTS 🖌
Gen Ed course	4	Complete MATH 139 (or other Math Gen Ed)
Gen Ed course, elective, or possible second major or minor	3-4	
PSYC 221: Research Methods I: Foundations*	4	
(WID)		
PSYC 230: Human Development*	4	
		Aim for minimum of 48 earned credits,
Requirements and GPA		Minimum of 2.0 GPA
# CREDITS EARNED	15-16	□ Make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next
		semester in Sept. and discuss second major or possible minor



SEMESTER 4	CR	SEMESTER 4 CHECKPOINTS 🖌
Choose Connections course (Gen Ed-C)*	4	Prereqs are 45 completed credits and FYW and FYS.
Gen Ed course, elective, or possible second	3-4	Complete Gen Ed NS (BIOL 100 suggested)
major or minor		
PSYC 320: Research Methods II: Behavioral Sciences*	4	
Choose 1 PSYC 33X, 34X, 35X, or 42X course*,	4	<b>One</b> PSYC course from each category, but may take
or elective, or possible second major or minor		more
		Aim for minimum of 64 earned credits
		Minimum of 2.0 GPA
Requirements and GPA		Minimum GPA of 2.0 in major
# CREDITS EARNED	15-16	Make appointment with advisor to discuss your
		schedule for next semester in Feb.

SEMESTER 5	CR	SEMESTER 5 CHECKPOINTS 🗸
Choose 1 Advanced Quantitative/Scientific	4	Prereqs are Gen Ed-NS and/or Gen Ed-M
Reasoning (Gen Ed-AQSR)*		
Choose 1 PSYC 33X, 34X, 35X, or 42X course*	4	<b>One</b> PSYC course from each category, but may take more.
Choose 1 PSYC 33X, 34X, 35X, or 42X course*	4	
Elective or course in another major or a minor	3-4	
		□ Aim for minimum of 80 earned credits
		Minimum of 2.0 GPA
Requirements and GPA		Minimum GPA of 2.0 in major
# CREDITS EARNED	15-16	Make appointment with advisor to discuss your
		schedule for next semester in Sept.

SEMESTER 6	CR	SEMESTER 6 CHECKPOINTS 🗸
Choose 1 PSYC 33X, 34X, 35X, or 42X course*	4	
Elective or course toward minor/major	3-4	
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		registered for this with the relevant department prior
		to audit
		Aim for minimum of 96 earned credits
		Minimum of 2.0 GPA
		Minimum GPA of 2.0 in major
Requirements and GPA		Apply for degree audit online through MyRIC
# CREDITS EARNED	13-16	Make appointment with advisor to discuss your
		schedule for next semester in Feb.

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SEMESTER 7	CR	SEMESTER 7 CHECKPOINTS 🗸
Choose 1 PSYC 33X, 34X, 35X, or 42X course*	4	□ Completed at least one course from each of PSYC 33X,
(as needed)		34X, 35X, and 42X
Choose 1 PSYC 47X course*, or elective, or	3-4	Make sure the necessary PSYC 33X, 34X, 35X, and 42X
course toward minor/major		prerequisites have been completed. See catalog.
Elective or course toward minor/major	3-4	□ If elective courses are 3 credits, need one additional
		course for full-time status (12 credits).
		□ All ten Gen Ed courses and second lang. req. completed
		Aim for minimum of 108 earned credits
		Minimum of 2.0 GPA
Requirements and GPA		Minimum GPA of 2.0 in major
# CREDITS EARNED	12-13	Make appointment with advisor to discuss your
		schedule for next semester in Sept.

SEMESTER 8	CR	SEMESTER 8 CHECKPOINTS 🗸
Choose 1 PSYC 47X course* (as needed) (WID)	4	
Elective or course toward minor/major	3-4	
Elective or course toward minor/major	3-4	□ If elective courses are 3 credits, need one additional course for full-time status (12 credits).
		Need minimum of 120 earned credits
		□ Minimum of 2.0 GPA
Requirements and GPA		Minimum GPA of 2.0 in major
# CREDITS EARNED	12-13	Attend Gradfest and Commencement

For more detailed Prerequisite information, check the PSYC courses listed in the college catalog at:

http://www.ric.edu/recordsoffice/Pages/College-Catalog.aspx

For other information, check the Psychology Department website:

http://www.ric.edu/psychology/Pages/default.aspx

The total credit count for the major is 44 credits, and 40 credits for General Education, although 4 of those may be offset against one Gen Ed. course (SB), which leaves 36 more credits of Gen Ed. (and possibly 9 more depending on secondary language needs and RIC 100), but the minimum total is 80 credits. This leaves 40 credits that may need to include two secondary language courses and RIC 100, but could also include a second major or a minor, or just taken as electives.