



## Bachelor of Arts: Behavioural Science Major

The four-year Bachelor of Arts: Behavioural Science (BHS) Major focuses on building significant depth and breadth of understanding in the disciplines of psychology and sociology. Core to the BHS Major is a focus on developing knowledge and skill in research methods and data analysis, as well as allowing for two terms of practicum experience (6 credits) in experimental or applied areas within both disciplines. Students are able to specialize in several key areas in behavioural science, including culture and society, family and community, human development, cognitive neuroscience, and religion and social science. The BHS Major opens doors for advanced positions in fields related to behavioural science and entrance into academic graduate programs. Students intending to attend graduate school should consult the Program Head early in their studies, particularly as it pertains to completing an independent research project as part of their last 30 credits of study.

### Program Planning Guide

This program planning guide is designed to help you plan your degree program. When you have met a requirement, place a check mark beside it. When all of the requirements are checked, you should be eligible for graduation.

Please remember that this is only a guide—the Academic Calendar is the final authority on academic questions, including academic policies and program requirements. Students are responsible for the accuracy of their own programs. This is not a graduation check or an application for graduation.

#### General Requirements

- Completion of 120 credits
- Completion of core requirements
- Completion of degree requirements
- A minimum of 72 credits taken at the 200 level or higher
- A minimum of 3 credits taken in 6 different disciplines
- A maximum of 72 credits taken in any one discipline (Psychology and Sociology count together as one discipline)
- At least 102 credits in the Arts and Sciences
- A cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of at least 2.0 is required to graduate, with a GPA of at least 2.0 in Behavioural Science, Psychology and Sociology courses.

#### Core Requirements

*The following courses fulfill the requirements of the Ambrose University College core. These courses are common to all Bachelor of Arts degrees at Ambrose and reflect our approach to liberal arts education.*

- EN 110 Effective Writing
- 3 credits in English at the senior level
- HI 141 World Civilizations to 1500 **or** HI 142 World Civilizations since 1500
- PH 125 Introduction to Philosophy
- 6 credits in Science (BIO, CHE, CS, GEO, MA, PHY, SC, ZOO):
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- 3 credits in Fine Arts (ART, FA, MU, TH)
- REL 120 The Old Testament and its Interpretation (or REL 105 or REL 161)
- REL 121 The New Testament and Its Interpretation (or REL 105 or REL 161)
- 3 credits in Religion at the senior level

## **Degree Requirements**

### *Behavioural Sciences:*

- BHS 240 Research Methods (Fall year 2)
- STA 210 Quantitative Methods (Winter year 2)
- BHS 320 Practicum I (Fall year 3)
- BHS 410 Basic Multivariate Statistics (Fall year 3)
- BHS 420 Practicum II (Winter year 3)
- BHS 400 Seminar in Behavioural Science (Winter year 4)

### *Psychology:*

- PS 121 Introduction to Psychology\*
- PS 250 Social Psychology
- PS 300 Personality

### *Sociology:*

- SO 121 Principles of Sociology\*
- SO 220 Social Problems
- SO 310 Social Theory

## **Degree Electives**

3 credits in PS or SO:

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3 credits in each of the five specialties:

### *Cognitive Neuroscience*

- PS 215 Sensation and Perception
- PS 330 Brain and Behaviour
- PS 350 Cognitive Psychology
- PS 419 Visual Perception

### *Family and Community*

- PS 305 Psychology of Family
- PS 345 Interpersonal Relationships
- PS 430 Social Development
- SO 200 Sociology of Families

### *Religion and Social Science*

- PS 340 Psychology of Religion
- SO 320 Sociology of Religion
- SO 340 Religion and Culture in Canada

### *Culture and Society*

- PS 342 Culture and Psychology
- PS 400 Narrative Psychology
- SO 265 Social Stratification
- SO 300 Ethnic Relations
- SO 325 Sociology of Deviance
- SO 360 Sociology of Development
- SO 400 Socio-cultural Change

### *Human Development*

- PS 220 Child Development
- PS 230 Adolescent Development
- PS 285 Abnormal Psychology
- PS 310 Motivation and Emotion
- PS 320 Developmental Psychopathology

## **Arts and Science Electives**

18 credits required

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## **Open Electives**

18 credits required

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\* Fulfills requirement of core curriculum.

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