
Psychology provides a solid overview of the field's major domains: methods, biopsychology, cognitive and developmental psychology, and variations in individual and group behavior.

By focusing on significant scientific research and on the questions that are most important to psychologists, students see psychology as an evolving science. Each topic clusters around challenge questions, such as “What is happiness?” Students answer these questions before, during, and after they interact with direct instruction.

This course is built to state standards and informed by the American Psychological Association's National Standards for High School Psychology Curricula. The teaching methods draw from the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) teaching standards.

Length: One Semester

Unit 1: Psychology as a Science

Unit 2: The Brain and the Body

Unit 3: Thinking, Feeling, and Consciousness

Unit 4: Developing throughout Life

Unit 5: Social Psychology

Unit 6: Disorders and Wellness

Unit 7: Review and Exam