

Planning to Study Abroad as a Psyc Major

Frequently Asked Questions

Do I need to take the classes in the exact order as listed on the 4-year plan?

No! The 4-year plans offer examples of how to integrate a study abroad semester into your time at Winthrop. Psychology is a very flexible major in that it has very few sequenced courses. However, we do recommend taking PSYC 100, 198, 301, 302, and at least one PSYC “core” course prior to studying abroad. The semesters in which you take remaining General Education, major, and minor classes are very flexible.

Can I only study abroad during the semester listed on 4-year plan?

For most of the Winthrop study abroad programs you can swap the study abroad semester with Fall year 3, Spring year 3, or Fall year 4. We recommend Fall year 3 especially for students who are interested in applying to graduate school. Some of the programs may only be attended during the Spring semester (this is indicated on the 4-year plan for the program), for these programs we suggest that you study abroad Spring year 3.

Do I have to take the exact classes listed during the study abroad semester?

No, many of these programs offer a number of courses that meet General Education requirements. Some of the 4-year plans include footnotes indicating the other General Education requirements that may be met at the University. Additionally, electives can be taken during the semester abroad. The study abroad office will assist students in determining which courses will transfer prior to departure.

How were these programs selected? Can I choose other programs?

The sample plans are all “Winthrop programs” meaning that they are study abroad sites where tuition/room/board costs are similar to those at WU (i.e., generally most affordable). Additionally, scholarships, grants, and loans (including LIFE, Pell, etc.) transfer to these institutions. The sample plans are only a subset of the programs in this category. The most up-to-date complete list of Winthrop programs is available through the WU Study Abroad office: <http://winthrop.abroadoffice.net/index.html>

Are there additional costs associated with studying abroad through these programs?

Yes, additional costs include: airfare, passport, spending money, student visa, and CISI international travel insurance .

Can I get funding to help me pay for study abroad?

Yes, please visit the ONCA website for information about financial awards:

<https://www.winthrop.edu/onca/>

Where do I find additional information regarding the study abroad programs/applications?

Please visit the WU study abroad office website for additional information:

<http://winthrop.abroadoffice.net/index.html>

or Contact:

Study abroad program: studyabroad@winthrop.edu

Psychology Department Study Abroad Faculty Liaison (Tara Collins): collinstj@winthrop.edu

What are the deadlines for study abroad applications?

Full Academic Year abroad: March 1

Fall semester abroad: March 1

Spring semester abroad: October 1

Summer semester abroad: March 1

On the following pages you will see several suggested 4-year plans for a few of the Winthrop study abroad programs.

Study Abroad Plan of Study: Four year plan for Psychology
Including a study abroad semester at U. of Minnesota and Fundación Jose Ortega
y Gasset - **Argentina.**

Fall Year 1: Winthrop University	Spring Year 1: Winthrop University
Acad 101 (1) WRIT 101 (3) PSYC 101 (3) PSYC 198 (1) MATH 150 (3) Foreign Language 101 (4) Total: 15 credit hours	HMPX (3) PSYC Core Class (3) Language/Logic/Semiotics (3) Science without lab (3) Oral Communication (3) Total: 15 credit hours
Fall Year 2: Winthrop University	Spring Year 2: Winthrop University
CRTW 201 (3) PSYC 301 (4) Technology requirement (3) Science- with lab (4) Physical Education (1) Total: 15 credit hours	PSYC 302 (4) PSYC 303(0) PSYC Core Class (3) Minor Requirement (3) Humanities and Arts (3) Social Science (3) Total: 16 credit hours
Fall Year 3: Study Abroad in Argentina	Spring Year 3
Global Perspective (3) Minor Requirement (3) PSYC elective (3) Historical Perspective (3) Foreign Language (4) Total: 16 credit hours (transfer)	PSYC Core Class (3) PSYC elective (3) Minor Requirement (3) Constitution Requirement (if not achieved through prior course) (3) Humanities and Arts (3) Total: 15 credit hours
Fall Year 4	Spring Year 4
PSYC 400, 463, or 498; or PSYC elective (3) PSYC elective (3) Minor Requirement (3) Minor or elective (3) Elective (3) Total: 15 credit hours	PSYC 400, 463, or 498; or PSYC elective (3) Minor Requirement (3) Minor or elective (3) Minor or Elective (3) Elective (1-3) Total: 13-15 credit hours

Total: 120-122 credit hours earned

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**For psychology majors, a maximum of 42 hours of PSYC courses (36 required hours and up to 6 additional hours) may count toward the 120 required for graduation.*

**Students must have at least 12 hours in psychology electives and 40 hours in all courses above 299.*

**Psychology is a very flexible major with few sequenced courses. The study abroad semester can be swapped with Spring year 3 or Fall year 4 (with the senior capstone taken Spring year 4). We strongly recommend taking the two-semester sequence of PSYC 301 and PSYC 302 prior to studying abroad.*

**Additional touchstone requirement that is likely to be fulfilled in Argentina: Humanities and Arts.*

Study Abroad Plan of Study: Four year plan for Psychology
Including a study abroad semester at Kingston University- **United Kingdom.**

Fall Year 1: Winthrop University	Spring Year 1: Winthrop University
Acad 101 (1) WRIT 101 (3) PSYC 101 (3) PSYC 198 (1) MATH 150 (3) Foreign Language 101 (4) Total: 15 credit hours	HMXP (3) PSYC Core Class (3) Foreign Language (4) Science with lab (4) Physical Education (1) Total: 15 credit hours
Fall Year 2: Winthrop University	Spring Year 2: Winthrop University
CRTW 201 (3) PSYC 301 (4) Language/Logic/Semiotics (3) Oral Communication (3) Technology requirement (3) Total: 16 credit hours	PSYC 302 (4) PSYC 303(0) PSYC Core Class (3) Minor Requirement (3) Historical Perspective (3) Social Science (3) Total: 16 credit hours
Fall Year 3: Study Abroad at Kingston Univ.	Spring Year 3
Global Perspective (3) Humanities and Arts (3) Science- no lab required (3) Minor Requirement (3) PSYC elective (3) Total: 15 credit hours (transfer)	PSYC Core Class (3) PSYC elective (3) Minor Requirement (3) Constitution Requirement (if not achieved through prior course) (3) Humanities and Arts (3) Total: 15 credit hours
Fall Year 4	Spring Year 4
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****Additional touchstone requirements that are likely to be fulfilled at Kingston University include: Language/Logic/Semiotics, Historical Perspective, and Social Science.***

Study Abroad Plan of Study: Four year plan for Psychology
Including a study abroad semester at CIEF University of Burgundy – **France**.

Fall Year 1: Winthrop University	Spring Year 1: Winthrop University
Acad 101 (1) WRIT 101 (3) PSYC 101 (3) PSYC 198 (1) MATH 150 (3) Foreign Language 101 (4) Total: 15 credit hours	HMXP (3) PSYC Core Class (3) Language/Logic/Semiotics (3) Science without lab (3) Oral Communication (3) Total: 15 credit hours
Fall Year 2: Winthrop University	Spring Year 2: Winthrop University
CRTW 201 (3) PSYC 301 (4) Technology requirement (3) Science with lab (4) Physical Education (1) Total: 15 credit hours	PSYC 302 (4) PSYC 303(0) PSYC Core Class (3) Minor Requirement (3) Humanities and Arts (3) Social Science (3) Total: 16 credit hours
Fall Year 3	Spring Year 3: Study Abroad in France ⁺
PSYC Core Class (3) PSYC elective (3) Minor Requirement (3) Constitution Requirement (if not achieved through prior course) (3) Historical Perspective (3) Total: 15 credit hours	PSYC elective (3) Foreign Language (4) Minor or elective (3) Minor or elective (3) Elective (3) Total: 16 credit hours (transfer)
Fall Year 4	Spring Year 4
PSYC 400, 463, or 498; or PSYC elective (3) PSYC elective (3) Global Perspective (3) Minor Requirement (3) Humanities and Arts (3) Total: 15 credit hours	PSYC 400, 463, or 498; or PSYC elective (3) Minor Requirement (3) Minor Requirement (3) Minor or Elective (3) Elective (1-3) Total: 13-15 credit hours

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⁺ Students can only study at CIEF University of Burgundy during the Spring semester.