

## Program Viewbook

### Bachelor of Arts in Psychology (BAPSY)

#### Program Description

The Bachelor of Arts in Psychology provides students with a broad understanding of the scientific study of thought, behavior, and emotion. The program introduces major domains of psychology, including cognitive, developmental, social, and clinical perspectives, and situates them within historical and contemporary contexts. Students learn key concepts, methodological and statistical techniques, and the diversity of research practices that inform psychological knowledge. Training emphasizes designing and executing research, interpreting data, and applying scientific reasoning to explain psychological phenomena. The curriculum highlights ethical standards, social responsibility, and the relevance of psychology to education, health, organizations, and community settings. Students develop skills in oral and written communication and are encouraged to consider the complexity, limitations, and societal impact of evidence-based practices.

Graduates are prepared for roles such as Behavioral Therapist, Mental Health Worker, Youth Counselor, Child and Family Social Worker, Rehabilitation Counselor, Case Manager in Mental Health or Social Services, Health Educator, Educational Therapist, School Counselor Assistant, Psychological Wellbeing Practitioner, Research Assistant in Psychology or Neuroscience, Community Support Worker, Developmental Disabilities Specialist, and Learning Support Assistant.

#### Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs)

- PLO 1: Demonstrate a developed knowledge and critical understanding of the key concepts, methodologies, current advances, historical contexts, theoretical approaches, and overarching themes in Psychology
- PLO 2: Demonstrate an in-depth understanding of methodological and statistical techniques and practices
- PLO 3: Describe the diversity of research practices, methods of inference, and practical/professional implications of Psychology
- PLO 4: Design and execute empirical research (e.g., formulate researchable questions/hypotheses, select appropriate methodologies, situate research within the scientific literature, and disseminate it in discipline-appropriate manners)
- PLO 5: Apply scientific reasoning and analysis to interpret and evaluate psychological phenomena based on major theories, concepts, and methods germane to the discipline
- PLO 6: Relate psychological knowledge to personal, professional, and societal concerns
- PLO 7: Effectively communicate ideas, critiques, and research findings in oral and written forms appropriate to academic, professional, and public audiences.
- PLO 8: Articulate ethical standards and social responsibilities assumed by psychologists in their professional and scientific roles and envisage the potential impact of psychological research for treatment and prevention interventions
- PLO 9: Appreciate the ambiguity, complexities, and limits associated with evidence-based psychological research methods, findings, and knowledge by participating in scholarly activities that address community needs at all levels.

PLO 10: Recognize how the changing nature of social, cultural, and interdisciplinary influences impact research practices in contemporary psychology and utilize acquired skills to address community needs at all levels.

### Program Completion Requirements

The BAPSY degree shall be awarded to a student upon fulfillment of the following requirements:

- Successful completion of 123 credit hours.
- Achievement of a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Completion of at least 50% of the total program credit hours at CUD.
- Completion of the Internship and Graduation Project while enrolled at CUD.

### Program Structure

<b>University Requirements Courses</b>	<b>27 Cr. Hrs.</b>
<b>Core Courses</b>	<b>51 Cr. Hrs.</b>
<b>Major Courses</b>	<b>45 Cr. Hrs.</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>123 Cr. Hrs.</b>

### List of Courses

I. University Requirement Courses				
Course Code		Course Title	Prerequisite	Cr. Hrs.
<b>Compulsory Courses</b>				<b>24</b>
LNG	171	English I	None	3
LNG	172	English II	LNG 171	3
GED	150	Foundations for Community Engagement and Social Work	None	3
GED	190	Emirati Studies	None	3
ENT	141	Fundamentals of Innovation and Entrepreneurship 1	None	2
ENT	142	Fundamentals of Innovation and Entrepreneurship 2	ENT 141	1
ENT	241	Entrepreneurship 1	ENT 142	2
ENT	242	Entrepreneurship 2	ENT 241	1
MTH	105	Introduction to Statistics	None	3
GED	102	AI in Modern Life	None	3
<b>Elective (Humanities - 03 Credits): Students are required to select one course from the following:</b>				
GED	103	Head Anatomy Sculpture	None	3
GED	106	Smart Decisions: Data Literacy and Visualization	None	3
GED	110	Modern Art Appreciation	None	3
GED	111	Music Appreciation and Communication	None	3
GED	125	Ecosystems and Human Health - I	None	3
GED	132	Science and Technology in Society	None	3
GED	191	Islamic Studies	None	3
GED	196	Communication Skills in Arabic 1	None	3
GED	255	Critical Thinking and Problem Solving	LNG 172	3
BIO	100	Unifying Life Processes	None	3

## II. Core Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Prerequisite	Cr. Hrs.
<b>Compulsory Courses</b>			<b>51</b>
PSY 101	Psychology I	None	3
PSY 102	Psychology II	PSY 101	3
PSY 211	Research Methods: Design & Statistics	MTH 105	3
PSY 212	Introduction to Cognitive Psychology	PSY 102	3
PSY 222	Perception	PSY 212	3
PSY 223	Developmental Psychology	PSY 212	3
PSY 224	Abnormal Psychology	PSY 102	3
PSY 230	Personality	PSY 102	3
PSY 240	Introduction to Learning	PSY 102	3
PSY 250	Biopsychology	PSY 102	3
PSY 310	Neuropsychology	PSY 212, PSY 250	3
PSY 311	Applied Social Psychology	GED 150	3
PSY 313	Educational Psychology	PSY 223	3
PSY 321	Organizational and Industrial Psychology	PSY 311	3
PSY 322	Psychotherapy	PSY 224, PSY 312	3
PSY 324	Psychological Counselling and Interventions	PSY 312	3
ENV 201	Principles of Environmental Sciences	None	3

## III. Major Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Prerequisite	Cr. Hrs.
<b>Compulsory Courses</b>			<b>39</b>
PSY 221	Psychological Measurement and Testing	PSY 211	3
PSY 312	Clinical Psychology	PSY 212	3
PSY 323	Psychology of Exceptional Children, Youth & Adults	PSY 223, PSY 224	3
PSY 400	Internship	81 Cr. Hrs. & ≥ CGPA 2.0	3
PSY 410	Drugs and Behaviour	PSY 310, PSY 312	3
PSY 411	Environmental Psychology	PSY 250, ENV 201	3
PSY 412	Experimental Psychology	PSY 221, PSY 313	3
PSY 413	Health Psychology	PSY 224, PSY 250	3
PSY 420	Applications of Human Behavior Modification	PSY 230	3
PSY 421	Cognitive & Behavioral Neuroscience Research	PSY 211, PSY 212	3
PSY 422	Psychometrics	81 Cr. Hrs.	3
PSY 450	Graduation Project	PSY 211 & 81 Cr. Hrs.	6
<b>Elective Courses (06 Credits):</b> Students are required to select two courses from the following courses			
PSY 331	History of Psychology	PSY 102	3
PSY 332	Positive Psychology	PSY 102	3
PSY 333	Psychology, Media and Communication	PSY 102	3
PSY 334	Psychology and Business	PSY 102	3
PSY 335	Careers, Tasks, and Challenges in Psychology	60 Cr. Hrs.	3

### Eight Semesters Study Plan

Semester	Course Code		Course Title	Prerequisite	Cr. Hrs.
1	LNG	171	English I	None	3
	PSY	101	Psychology I	None	3
	ENT	141	Fundamentals of Innovation and Entrepreneurship 1	None	2
	GED	150	Foundations for Community Engagement & Social Work	None	3
	GED	190	Emirati Studies	None	3
	<b>Total</b>				<b>14</b>
2	LNG	172	English II	LNG 171	3
	PSY	102	Psychology II	PSY 101	3
	GED	102	AI in Modern Life	None	3
	MTH	105	Introduction to Statistics	None	3
	ENT	142	Fundamentals of Innovation and Entrepreneurship 2	ENT 141	1
	ENV	201	Principles of Environmental Sciences	None	3
	<b>Total</b>				<b>16</b>
3	PSY	211	Research Methods: Design & Statistics	MTH 105	3
	PSY	212	Introduction to Cognitive Psychology	PSY 102	3
	PSY	230	Personality	PSY 102	3
	PSY	240	Introduction to Learning	PSY 102	3
	ENT	241	Entrepreneurship 1	PSY 102	2
	<b>Total</b>				<b>14</b>
4	PSY	221	Psychological Measurement and Testing	PSY 211	3
	PSY	222	Perception	PSY 212	3
	PSY	223	Developmental Psychology	PSY 212	3
	PSY	224	Abnormal Psychology	PSY 102	3
	PSY	250	Biopsychology	PSY 102	3
	ENT	242	Entrepreneurship 2	ENT 241	1
	<b>Total</b>				<b>16</b>
5	PSY	310	Neuropsychology	PSY 212, PSY 250	3
	PSY	311	Applied Social Psychology	GED 150	3
	PSY	312	Clinical Psychology	PSY 212	3
	PSY	313	Educational Psychology	PSY 223	3
	XXX	XXX	Humanities Elective	None	3
	<b>Total</b>				<b>15</b>
6	PSY	321	Organizational and Industrial Psychology	PSY 311	3
	PSY	322	Psychotherapy	PSY 224, PSY 312	3
	PSY	323	Psychology of Exceptional Children, Youth & Adults	PSY 223, PSY 224	3
	PSY	324	Psychological Counselling and Interventions	PSY 312	3
	PSY	XXX	Program Major Elective (1)		3
	<b>Total</b>				<b>15</b>
7	PSY	410	Drugs and Behavior	PSY 310, PSY 312	3
	PSY	411	Environmental Psychology	PSY 250, ENV 201	3
	PSY	412	Experimental Psychology	PSY 221, PSY 313	3
	PSY	413	Health Psychology	PSY 224, PSY 250	3
	PSY	450	Graduation Project	PSY 211 & 81 Cr. Hrs.	6
	<b>Total</b>				<b>18</b>
8	PSY	450	Graduation Project (Cont'd)	PSY 211 & 81 Cr. Hrs.	-
	PSY	420	Applications of Human Behavior Modification	PSY 230	3
	PSY	421	Cognitive & Behavioral Neuroscience Research	PSY 211, PSY 212	3
	PSY	422	Psychometrics	81 Cr. Hrs.	3
	PSY	XXX	Program Major Elective (2)		3
	<b>Total</b>				<b>12</b>
Summer	PSY	400	Internship (Between semesters 6 to 8)	81 Cr. Hrs.	3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>					<b>123</b>