# **Welcome to PBS!**

### **Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences (PBS)**

Psych East 1814, Building 251

#### Meet your undergraduate PBS Advisors! 😊 🔆 🌴









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#### **How to Contact Us for Advising:**

- Walk-in Advising Hours
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### **Drop-in Advising Hours:**

- Monday & Thursday | 9-11:45am, 1-3:45pm
- Closed in observance of ALL campus holidays

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# Advising Contact

### **Contacting PBS Advising**

Please read over carefully to ensure timely responses!

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  - Advising office = closed for ALL UCSB observed holidays
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#### **Sending Emails to PBS – Ensure to Include:**

- Please make sure to include:
  - Full name & Perm #
  - Any current / desired major(s)

#### CHECK YOUR UCSB EMAIL

STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO CHECK UCSB EMAIL INBOX REGULARLY

ONLY WAY TO COMMUNICATE WITH ALL STUDENTS = MASS EMAILS

PBS Advisors will not be held responsible when students fail to read emails!!

#### Accessing the PBS Website: Click here to access!

- Students can locate info about the majors, department, grad school, etc.
- Please note: necessary updates have not been completed yet!
  - o Current information is potentially out-of-date
  - Students will be notified via email once the website is up-to-date :)

#### **Pro Tips for Undergrads (from Your Local PBS Advising Team)!:**

- Create a gmail signature: our team strongly encourages students to create automatic personalized sign offs at the bottom of each message (<u>steps</u> <u>here</u>)
- Double check first for answers to FAQs: the PBS website & UGA Policy Doc



# How to Best Prepare

### **How to Prepare for Transfer Orientation**

- 1.) Students must fill out our <u>Incoming Transfer Google Form</u> by the deadline of Friday, July 11th 2025 (regardless of attending orientations) to help determine applicable major credit and to ensure your course registration goes smoothly!!
  - Please note that advisors may contact you to have syllabi evaluated for you.
     Major credit evaluations take several weeks, especially for courses existing outside of the department, like Chemistry, so we strongly encourage that students fill it out well before the deadline in case of a follow up from us!
  - Regularly check your UCSB email for a personalized Fall schedule based on our incoming transfer evaluations described above, which will also include additional, important relevant information regarding Transfer Orientation!

We cannot make recommended Fall 25 schedule plans without you submitting that google form to us & your transcripts submitted to Admissions!

- 2.) Before attending UCSB Orientations, students must send official documents to the Office of Admissions at UCSB. As outlined in <u>Transfer Conditions of Admission</u>, official transcripts are due **July 1st** and test scores **July 15th**. It is crucial to request official transcripts, test scores, and IGETC certifications in advance of these dates.
  - Missing transcripts and/or test scores can result in blocked registration and withdrawal of admission offers. Submit now by clicking <u>here</u> to view steps!

#### What to Bring to Transfer Orientation

Please come prepared with questions and perhaps a schedule plan. Students can submit questions to <u>this google form</u> beforehand to possibly address at sessions.

They can use our schedule planning worksheet to make tentative schedule plans.

We recommend that students come with notebooks and such for taking notes! 2



# Pre-Major vs. Full Major

### Pre-Major vs. Full Major

Students pursuing PBS / BIPSY must earn "full-major" status in the department by satisfying pre major rules for GPAs in addition to with \*successful\* completion of each of the 9 pre-major courses required (refer to next tab for courses) – so, thus...

ALL new incoming students are "pre-PBS" majors or "pre-BIPSY" majors once admitted to UCSB!

#### What are the Pre-Major Rules?

Maintaining specific GPAs and certain earned grades in a provided set of courses. Successful completion permits advancing into the full major. Therefore, enabling students to enroll in the previously restricted upper division (PSY 110+) courses.\*

#### Admission to the major is contingent upon fulfilling the following requirements:

- 1.) At least a 2.7 UC GPA in Area I.
- 2.) At least a 2.0 UC GPA in Area II.
- 3.) All courses must be completed on a letter grade basis.
- 4.) No courses with a grade lower than C- in Area I & II.
- 5.) Not more than one course with a C- in Area I & II.
- 6.) Submit Change of Major paperwork to declare full major status

**Reminder:** Your AP & ccc/non-UC courses do <u>not</u> count towards UCSB GPAs.

\*\* STUDENTS MUST BE ADMITTED TO BE ABLE TO REGISTER FOR \*\*
UPPER DIVISION (PSY 110+) COURSES – **ZERO** EXCEPTIONS FOR THIS POLICY!



# Pre-Major Courses

### **Specific Pre-Major Courses Required**

What particular courses are required? What are the GPAs required?

Notice that Area 1 + 2 on major sheets = the "pre-major" courses

#### Majors (refer to website dropdowns – "Major Course Requirements")

- Psychological & Brain Sciences (B.S.) click here
- Biopsychology (B.S.) click here

Note: Area III (Prep for the Major) is **not required** to declare full major status!

So, among pre-major requirements for Psychological & Brain Sciences major and Biopsychology major are very specific courses with particular GPA requirements:

#### Area I: Pre-Major Requirements (Part 1 of 2)

The following courses require a **2.7 UC GPA** before admittance to the full major:

- PSY 1 Introduction to Psychology (5 units)
- MATH 34A (or 3A or 2A) Calculus I (4 units)
- PSY 10A + PSY 10B = only at UCSB!
- PSTAT 5A (or 5LS or COMM 87) Statistics (5 units)
- PSY 10A Research Methods in Psych & Brain (5 units)
- PSY 10B Statistical Methods in Psych & Brain (5 units)

#### **Area II: Pre-Major Requirements (Part 2 of 2)**

The following courses require a **2.0 UC GPA** before admittance to the full major:

- CHEM 1A-B (or CHEM 2A-2B) General Chemistry (7 units)
- MCDB 6 or 1A\* and EEMB 7 or 2 General Biology (7 units)
  - ★ CHEM 1C = pre-requisite for MCDB 1A (however can be taken concurrently)
- $\bigstar$  Please note that <u>AP exams</u> = prerequisites! Refer to GOLD  $\rightarrow$  "course info" tabs.



# Prereqs and Credits

### **Prerequisites and Transferred Credits**

Students must check to see if they are eligible to enroll by checking if they meet all prerequisites and restrictions on GOLD. For example, PSY 10A requires taking PSY 1, MATH 34A, PSTAT 5A, CHEM 1A, and CHEM 1B (or non-UCSB equivalents).

We kindly ask you to help us determine which Area I & II courses were completed. Transfer students may have prered credit, which is the reason that students must complete our <a href="Incoming Transfer Google Form">Incoming Transfer Google Form</a> with a deadline of July 11th, 2025! Also keep in mind that certain students are notified to provide syllabi via email, so please make sure to be on look out until the Orientation Week for emails from us!

Note: PSY 110+ courses are <u>restricted</u> to students eligible for the full major only. Students are eligible for courses on the next tab while completing the premajor!

Prerequisites & restrictions are listed on GOLD – <u>click here</u> for overview of GOLD. Students enroll via GOLD, and thus you're expected to learn about using it <u>NOW</u>.

#### **Lower Division vs. Upper Division Credits**

Junior/CC credits will transfer over as lower division credits, even for classes that appear to cover the same topics as upper division courses at UCSB. For example, if a student took CC Social Psychology, this will NOT be equivalent to UCSB PSY 102.

Four-year institutions (including UCs): whether a certain course transfers over as lower division or upper division credit is determined by the Admissions Office & the Office of the Registrar at UCSB. Our advisors play no role in determinations.

#### **University of California (Only):**

Every single UC uses a particular course # system:

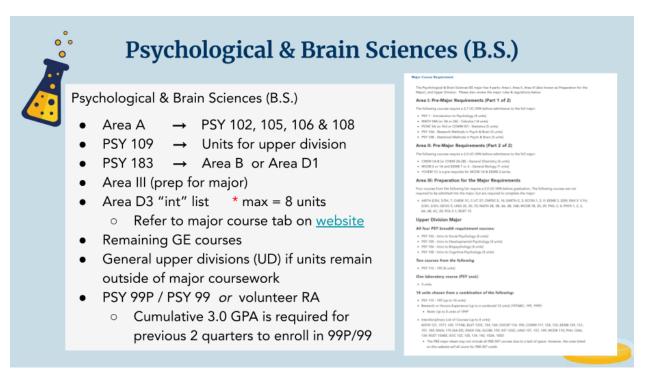
- ★ UC courses with # 100-199 = upper division units
- ☆ UC courses with # 0-99 = lower division units

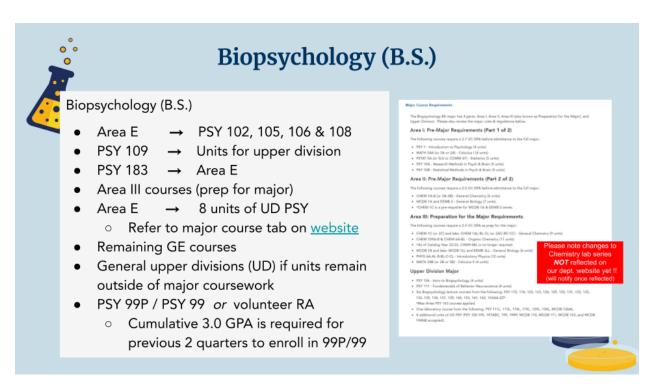
Any other four-year institution credits undergo manual review, as stated above!

# summer + Fall Courses

# POSSIBLE COURSE OPTIONS WHILE COMPLETING PRE MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Students may consider taking for upcoming Summer + Fall Quarters:







# Major Sheets (24-25)

### Psychological & Brain Sciences Major Sheet (B.S.)

#### 2024-2025

	PARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGICAL & BRAIN SCIENCES 4 PSYCHOLOGY EAST	NAME	Parm #	
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	te: The following courses are not required to be admitted into	the major, but are requir	ed to complete the	he major:
Ar	ea III courses: Four courses from the following: ANTH 2, 5, 7; CHEM 1C; 1, 2, 9; EEMB 3; ENV S 1, 2, 3; GEOG 5; LING 20, 50, 70 34B (or 2B or 3B); PHIL 3, 4; PHYS 1, 2, 3, 6A, 6B, 6C, 74	; MCDB 1B, 20; MATH		
UP	PER-DIVISION MAJOR			
	UD units are required, distributed as follow:			
	All four breadth requirement courses: PSY 102, 105, 106, 1	08		16
	Two courses from PSY 110-195			8
C.	At least one laboratory course from the following: PSY 113L, 117L, 118L, 119L, 120L, 129L, 138L, 150L	, 155L, 156L		5
D.	16 additional units chosen from a combination of the follow 1. <i>PSY 110-195</i> (up to 16 units)	ing:		16
	2. Research or Honors Experience (up to 12 units): 197A-B	-C, 199, 199P		
	3. Interdisciplinary List of Courses (up to 8 units): ANTH 1 CNCSP 114; COMM 117, 124, 133; EEMB 129, 131, 157 INT 133C; LING 127, 137, 149; PHIL 124A, 134; RGST	, 180; ENV S 106; GLOI	, ,	
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### **Biopsychology Major Sheet (B.S.)**

2024-2025

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGICAL & BRAIN SCIENCES	NAME_		
1814 PSYCHOLOGY EAST	Date	Perm #	

www.psych.ucsb.edu/undergraduate-overview advising@psych.ucsb.edu College of Letters and Science University of California, Santa Barbara

Note: See Major Progress Check on GOLD for full list of all degree requirements.

#### BIOPSYCHOLOGY MAJOR, B.S. - 2024-2025

Admission to the major is contingent upon fulfilling the following requirements:

1) At least a 2.7 University of California grade-point average in Area I; 2) At least a 2.0 University of California grade-point average in Area II; 3) All courses must be completed on a letter-grade basis; 4) No courses with a grade lower than C- in Area I & II; 5) Not more than one course with a C- in Area I & II; 6) Students must submit a "Petition to Change Major" to the departmental main office (1814 Psychology East) for admission to the pre-major and major.

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PRE-MAJOR REQUIREMENTS	UNITS TO COMPLETE				
Area I courses:					
PSY 1, MATH 34A (or 2A or 3A), and PSTAT 5A or equ					
PSY 10A, 10B	10				
Note: Students must complete PSY 1, MATH 34A (or 24) CHEM 1A-B (or 2A-B) prior to enrolling in PSY 1					
Area II courses:					
CHEM 1A-B (or 2A-B) 6					
MCDB 1A and EEMB 2	7				
PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR					
Area III courses:					
Note: The following courses are not required to be admitted into the major, but are required to complete the major:					
CHEM 1C (or 2C) and labs: CHEM 1AL-BL-CL (or CH	EM 2AC-BC-CC) 9				
CHEM 109A-B and 6AL	116				
MCDB 1B and labs: MCDB 1LL and EEMB 2LL					
PHYS 6A-AL-B-BL-C-CL					
MATH 34B (or 2B or 3B) 4-					
UPPER-DIVISION MAJOR					
44-45 UD units are required, distributed as follows:					
A. PSY 106 (prerequisite for PSY 111)					
B. PSY 111	4				
C. Six courses from the following:	*				
	, 134, 135, 136, 137, 146, 153, 161, 162, 163AA-ZZ 24				
D. One laboratory course from the following:	, 134, 135, 136, 137, 146, 133, 161, 162, 163741-222 24				
PSY 111L, 113L, 118L, 119L, 120L, 129L, 138L, or MCDB 126AL*					
E. 8 additional units of UD PSY	., or MCDB 126AL* 4-58				
- Maximum of three courses in PSY 163A	is contingent upon satisfying pre-major requirements.  A-ZZ may be taken for major credit.  sent and departmental approval for enrollment.				

\*Concurrent enrollment in MCDB 126A is a prerequisite to MCDB 126AL.

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# Who to Contact?

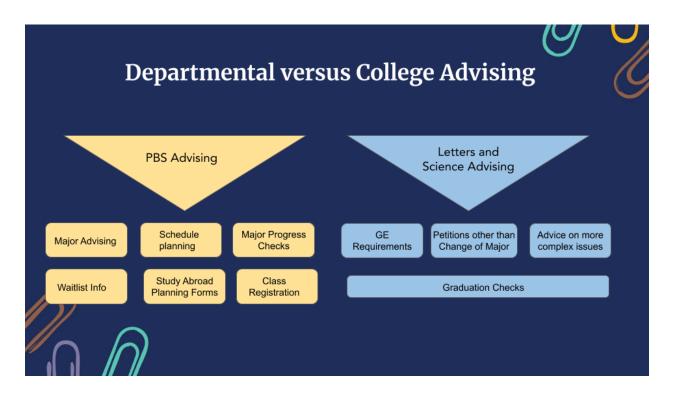
#### Who Should You Contact for Particular Questions?

Your local PBS Advising Team is pretty knowledgeable! However, department advisors do not receive training in certain areas, thus you might need to contact other departments on campus:

#### Your PBS Advising Team OR the College of L&S Team?

General Academic Advising (L&S): click here for L&S Advising

Transfer Student Advising (L&S): click here for Transfer L&S Advising



<u>Admissions</u> coordinates all aspects of undergraduate admission, including year-round outreach, comprehensive application review, and the processing of credit for any student (new and continuing) who completes transferable coursework.

<u>Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships</u> assists UCSB students and their families with student financial aid, including scholarships, grants, loans, work-study, and Veterans' benefits.

<u>Office of the Registrar</u> maintains the official academic records of all UCSB students and oversees student registration, course scheduling, California residency, graduation, and student transcripts and verification.

Please click on the name of a specific office listed above for direct contact information!

# PBS Transfer Modules

### **Transfer Modules to Watch from PBS Advising**

Students are expected to know info below upon arriving at UCSB and crucial info from UCSB modules + provided info from UCSB entities!

🚨 Please have a note system in place for taking down so much info! 🚨



#### Before attending orientation / arriving for the Fall:

You are REQUIRED to watch (regardless of whether an orientation is attended,) the entirety of these PBS transfer modules and come prepared with questions.

We will NOT be spending time going over processes described in the modules!

Module 1 - Overview and Welcome

Module 2 - City College to UC

Module 3 - PSY Course Registrations Pointers

Module 4 - How to Prepare for Orientation

★ Written script for modules: click here to view

