Earlham College
OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

Declaring/Changing a Major, Minor, or Applied Minor

Section A: Policies and Instructions

Declaring a Major:

1. Students are required to file a declaration of major at the Registrar's Office no later than the end of their fourth semester.
2. A late fee of $25.00 will be charged if the petition is submitted after the deadline.
3. A declared major may be changed at any time up to the add/drop deadline of the student's final semester by submitting a new major declaration form.

Declaring a Minor:

1. Minors are optional programs, you are not required to have a minor to graduate.
2. The deadline for declaring a minor is the 5th day of classes of the spring semester of the senior year.
3. Students must declare their Major Field of concentration before declaring a minor.

Declaring an Applied Minor:

1. Applied minors are optional programs, they are not required for graduation.
2. The deadline for declaring an applied minor is the 5th day of classes of the spring semester of the senior.

Progress towards completion of a major, a minor, and an applied minor will be tracked in DegreeWorks.

Complete Section B below and the relevant program section. Next to each requirement, indicate which semester (e.g. Fall 2023) you have taken or will take that course.

Your form must be signed by the Department/Program and your academic advisor (must be in your field of study for your major).

Section B: Student Information

Student Name _____   ID# _____

Email _____   Date _____

Planned Date of Graduation: May _____ December _____ Year: _____

Select one:

_____ I wish to declare my primary Major
_____ I wish to declare a Minor
_____ I wish to declare a second Major
_____ I wish to declare an Applied Minor
_____ I wish to change my Major

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Psychology

Use this form to declare a major or a minor in [Psychology](#) .

Declaration/Change of Major

To earn a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, you must complete a total of 38-40 credits, made up of the following courses:

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours	Semester
☐ PSYC 115 Introduction to Psychological Perspectives OR PSYC 116 Behavior, Health Care and Society		3-4	
☐ PSYC 210	Social Psychology	3	
☐ PSYC 220	Adult Psychopathology	3	
☐ PSYC 230	Human Development	3	
☐ PSYC 245	Research Methods & Statistics	4	
☐ PSYC 250	Brain & Behavior	4	
☐ PSYC 486	Comprehensive Research Project	3	
☐ PSYC 488	Senior Capstone Experience	0	
☐ One psychology course from those numbered 351-359		3	
☐ Three additional psychology courses from those numbered 340-379, 481		9	

Psychology courses with a primary focus on basic research in psychology are numbered 351-359. Other courses offer depth in a specialized area, integrate psychological research and theories with other disciplines, focus on applications of psychology, or some combination.

Courses 300-339 are cross-listed from other departments, which may be of interest to psychology majors. Courses cross-listed from other departments do not count toward the major. These courses help to engage in scientific psychological research; utilize psychological theory, methods and data in addressing applied questions; and think richly, systematically and critically about the personal experiences, interpersonal interactions, social issues and problems they will encounter throughout their lives.

Minor/Applied Minor Declaration Form

Declared Major(s) _____

To earn a minor in psychology, you must complete:

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours	Semester
☐ PSYC 115 Introduction to Psychological Perspectives OR PSYC 116 Behavior, Health Care and Society		3-4	
☐ PSYC 245	Research Methods & Statistics	4	

☐ One psychology course from those numbered
340-379

Three of the following courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours	Semester
☐ PSYC 210	Social Psychology	3	
☐ PSYC 220	Adult Psychopathology	3	
☐ PSYC 230	Human Development	3	
☐ PSYC 250	Brain & Behavior	4	

This student is hereby approved to pursue a major _____ / minor
_____ in accordance to the above plans (please enter your full name below).

Academic advisor _____ Date _____

Department/Program Convener _____ Date _____

This completed form must be emailed to registrar@earlham.edu for processing. Your adviser and the Department/Program Convener must be copied on the email.

Registrar _____ Date _____