The Ideal Path of a Psychology Major

Freshman
- Take Psych 1100, a course from Core Area B, C, or D, Begin Math Sequence including 2220 prerequisites and other General Education Requirements (GE’s)
- Get involved in Psychology Club (Introspect)
- Start keeping track of all activities and accomplishments on a resume or vita

Sophomore
- Take Psych 2220 and 2300, courses from Core Area B, C, and D, and GE’s
- Continue Introspect involvement
- Start thinking about graduate school
- In Spring, start working as a Research Assistant in a faculty lab (Psych 4998; Positions are limited)
- Submit Honors contract in Spring (based on eligibility)

Junior
- Finish All Core Area Courses, start Advanced courses including Sequenced Course, and finish GE’s
- Continue working as a Research Assistant
- Present research (poster) at local, regional, or national forum
- Communicate with faculty member early on if you are interested in completing a Thesis (honors or regular; Psych 4999) which you should start this Spring
- Consider completing an internship (Psych 3191, based on eligibility)
- Potential Psi Chi Membership (based on eligibility) & Leadership role in Introspect
- Apply for Panek Memorial Scholarship (must have presented research)
- Start researching Psychology graduate programs & prepare to take the GRE over the summer

Senior
- Complete Advanced courses, Psych 3321 (for BS) and Advanced Research Course 4510 or 4520 (for BS), and take electives
- Complete thesis project & present own research poster at local, regional, or national forums
- Apply to graduate programs (many have Fall or early Winter deadlines) and/or post-graduate employment
- Leadership role in Psi Chi or Introspect
- Apply for Scott-Staats Award (must have presented research)
- Graduate in Spring 😊

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