

# DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY AND SOCIOLOGY

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The Department of Psychology and Sociology (<https://una.edu/psychology-and-sociology/>) offers two undergraduate degree programs with the option of earning a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology or Sociology. Included within each program are also minors, tracks, and certifications. Undergraduates in the Department of Psychology and Sociology who meet specific requirements can also earn dual undergraduate and graduate credit hours if accepted to the Accelerated Master's Programs (AMP) (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/#programsofferedtext>) in Counselor Education and Family and Community Services.

## Psychology

The Psychology program offers a major in Psychology leading to the Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree; a minor program in psychology, a minor program in human-computer interaction/user experience - evaluation (HCI/UX), and a minor in applied behavior analysis. The Psychology program also offers coursework applicable to the General Education component requirements in all university programs and a variety of courses required or recommended in other programs.

Programs in the department are designed to prepare students for employment in a variety of fields and for graduate study in psychology and in related fields calling for concentrations or courses in psychology.

Psychology majors must pursue at least one academic minor. The following minors are recommended: applied behavior analysis, HCI/UX, sociology, foreign language, criminal justice, family studies, criminology, global studies, political science, communications, and marketing. Prospective majors should consult with the chair of the department in the selection of advanced psychology electives, personal educational objectives, and career objectives.

Successful completion of an exit examination is required of all students completing a major in Psychology prior to graduation.

## Sociology

The Sociology program offers a major in Sociology leading to a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree. Also available are tracks that highlight careers in sociology, which include: Family Life Education Track, Non-Profit Management Track, and Organizational and Industrial Leadership Track. Students can earn a traditional or online degree. Minor programs are offered in sociology, criminology, and family studies. There is also coursework leading to a certification as a family life educator (CFLE) and courses are applicable to the General Education component.

The Sociology program aims to prepare students for the many occupations in government, the justice system, health care, personnel management and human services for which preparation in sociology, criminology, and family studies are appropriate; or for advanced study in graduate and professional schools leading to teaching and research positions. Students should consult the department chair concerning personal educational objectives, programs, career objectives and options for online/distance learning education.

Sociology majors must pursue at least one academic minor. The following minors are recommended: criminal justice, family studies, criminology, foreign languages, geography, geographic information science, international studies, management, marketing, political science, psychology and public relations.

Successful completion of an exit examination is required of all students completing a major in Sociology prior to graduation.

## Majors

- BA/BS Major in Psychology (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/school-humanities-social-sciences/psychology-sociology/ba-bs-psychology/>)
- BA/BS Major in Sociology (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/school-humanities-social-sciences/psychology-sociology/ba-bs-sociology/>)

## Certificates

- Certificate in Family Life Education (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/school-humanities-social-sciences/psychology-sociology/cert-family-life-ed/>)

## Minors

- Applied Behavior Analysis Minor (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/school-humanities-social-sciences/psychology-sociology/minor-aba/>)
- Criminology Minor (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/school-humanities-social-sciences/psychology-sociology/minor-criminology/>)
- Family Studies Minor (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/school-humanities-social-sciences/psychology-sociology/minor-family-studies/>)
- HCI/UX Evaluation Minor (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/school-humanities-social-sciences/psychology-sociology/minor-hci-ux-eval/>)
- Psychology Minor (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/school-humanities-social-sciences/psychology-sociology/minor-psychology/>)
- Sociology Minor (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/school-humanities-social-sciences/psychology-sociology/minor-sociology/>)