BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PSYCHOLOGY IN ADDICTIONS

Description and Outcomes
The Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Addictions provides you with content knowledge of the major concepts, values, theories, psychological studies, research methods, and historical trends in psychology as they apply to the many aspects of addiction science, assessment, prevention, intervention, treatment, and case management. Courses are designed to help you understand the nature of addiction and clinical disorders to help in your professional work with clients. Courses focus on using the scientific approach to problem solving to evaluate behavior and mental processes while applying psychological principles to personal, social, and organizational issues.

Upon completion of specific program requirements, and if you meet the organization's additional requirements, you may be eligible to obtain the National Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals (NCCAP) National Certified Peer Recovery Support Specialist (NCPRSS) Certification. See the Certification, State Board, and National Board Exams (p. 1) section for additional information.

If you have already completed an associate’s or bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution, you may be eligible for degree requirements to be waived and replaced with advanced start credit. Refer to Advanced Start Credit in Bachelor’s Degrees (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/prior-learning/advanced-start-credit-bachelors-degrees/) for details.

Accelerated Master’s Degree Option
If you are interested in earning a master’s degree in human services, legal studies, psychology, or public administration, consider an accelerated master’s degree option. Refer to the Progression Requirements (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/social-behavioral-sciences/) section for details.

Program Length
The Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Addictions program consists of a minimum of 180 quarter credit hours. Upon successful completion of the program, you will be awarded a bachelor of science degree.

Program Outcomes

Discipline-Specific Outcomes
1. Knowledge Base: Discuss the major concepts, theoretical perspectives, enduring conflicts, empirical findings, and historical trends in psychology.
2. Research Methods: Explore basic methodology in psychology including research design, data analysis, and the interpretation and evaluation of findings.
3. Critical Thinking Skills: Assess problems related to behavior and mental processes using analytical thinking, skeptical inquiry, and/or the scientific approach.
4. Application: Apply the appropriate psychological principles, theories, and concepts to personal, social, and organizational issues and problems.
5. Values in Psychology: Examine the underlying ethical standards, values, and considerations in theory and practice in the disciplines of psychology.
6. Information and Technological Skills: Use contemporary tools and technologies to screen, assess, treat, and evaluate client progress in real world situations.
7. Global Awareness: Explain how academic and applied psychology can improve interpersonal relationships across cultural boundaries in a variety of treatment settings.

General Education Literacies and Professional Competencies
In addition to the discipline-specific outcomes, general education literacies and professional competencies are integrated throughout your academic program. You can review the general education literacies and professional competencies associated with your academic program in the General Education and Professional Competency Requirements (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/general-education-professional-competency-requirements/) section of this Catalog.

Program Availability
For program availability, please refer to the U.S. State and Other Approvals (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/university-information/accreditation-approvals-memberships/) section and Program Availability Information (https://www.purdueglobal.edu/catalog-program-availability-info.pdf).

Policies
Progression Requirements
You may not use transfer credit to replace the following courses:

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You must complete these courses at the University.

Certification, State Board, and National Board Exams
Certain state certification and licensure boards have specific educational requirements for programs to lead to a license or certification that is a precondition for employment in a recognized occupation. Prospective and current students must review Purdue Global's State Licensure and Certifications (https://www.purdueglobal.edu/about/accreditation/licensure-state-authorizations/) site to view program and state-specific licensure information.

Unless otherwise specified, Purdue Global's programs are not designed to meet any specific state's licensure or certification requirements. Licensure-track programs may limit enrollment to students in certain states; please see Purdue Global's Program Availability Information (https://www.purdueglobal.edu/catalog-program-availability-info.pdf) to determine enrollment eligibility.
You are responsible for understanding the requirements of optional certification exams. Such requirements may change during the course of your program. You are not automatically certified in any way upon program completion. Although certain programs are designed to prepare you to take various optional certification exams, Purdue Global cannot guarantee you will be eligible to take these exams or become certified. Your eligibility may depend on your work experience, completion of education and/or degree requirements, not having a criminal record, and meeting other certification requirements.

The professional practice of psychology is regulated by each state, and the degree requirements in Purdue Global's Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Addictions program do not guarantee or prepare you for state licensure in any state upon graduation.

The Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Addictions is accredited by the National Addiction Studies Accreditation Commission (NASAC). The NASAC can be contacted at:

44 Canal Center Plaza, Suite 301
Alexandria, VA 22314
Tel: 703.562.0211
Website: http://nasacaccreditation.org (http://www.nasacaccreditation.org)

The NAADAC (Association for Addiction Professionals) has designated Purdue Global as an Approved Education Provider for meeting nationally approved standards of education for the alcoholism and drug abuse counseling field. Students who complete the Bachelor of Science in Psychology in Addictions will meet the coursework requirements to take the NCAC Level I and II certification exams.

Note that additional requirements must also be completed to take the NCAC Level I and II examinations, including degree, field experience, and licensure requirements. Refer to http://www.naadac.org/ncc-ap (http://www.naadac.org/ncc-ap/) for full eligibility requirements.

The NAADAC can be contacted at:

44 Canal Center Plaza, Suite 301
Alexandria, VA 22314
Tel: 703.741.7686
Website: http://naadac.org (http://www.naadac.org)

Upon completion of the following courses in your program, and if you meet the organization's additional requirements, you may be eligible to apply for the National Certification Commission for Addiction Professionals (NCC AP) National Certified Peer Recovery Support Specialist (NCPRSS) Certification.

- PS124 Introduction to Psychology
- PS311 Ethical Practice in a Diverse World
- PS375 Psychology of Addiction
- PS377 Models of Peer Recovery
- PS450 Case Management in Clinical Settings
- PS452 Psychopharmacology of Alcohol and Drugs

Please visit https://www.naadac.org/ncprss (https://www.naadac.org/ncprss/) for full eligibility requirements.

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### Degree Plan

The icon appears in the title of traditional courses that are also available as a set of module courses. Module course availability may be limited to certain academic calendars. See Course Types (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/university-information/approach-to-learning/) for information about module courses.

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#### Major Requirements

- CJ101 Introduction to the Criminal Justice System ² | 5
- CM206 Interpersonal Communications ² | 5
- HN144 Human Behavior and the Environment ² | 5
- HN200 Survey of Social Problems ² | 5
- PS115 Psychology Program and Profession ² | 5
- PS200 Introduction to Cognitive Psychology ² | 5
- PS215 Neuroscience | 5
- PS220 Child and Adolescent Psychology ² | 5
- SC121 Human Anatomy and Physiology I ² | 5
- PS300 Research Methods I | 6
- PS311 Ethical Practice in a Diverse World | 6
- PS330 Personality Development | 6
- PS370 Health Psychology | 6
- PS375 Psychology of Addiction | 6
- PS377 Models of Peer Recovery | 6
- PS380 Clinical Psychology | 6
- PS440 Abnormal Psychology | 6
- PS450 Case Management in Clinical Settings | 6
- PS452 Psychopharmacology of Alcohol and Drugs | 6
- PS497 Bachelor's Capstone in Addiction | 6

Total Major Requirements 111

#### Open Electives

Open Electives ³ | 24

Total Open Electives 24

**TOTAL CREDITS** 180

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¹ For options to fulfill this requirement, see the corresponding literacy in General Education and Professional Competency Requirements (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/undergraduate/general-education-professional-competency-requirements/).
These degree requirements can be waived for students who are eligible for advanced start credit with a prior degree. See Advanced Start Credit in Bachelor’s Degrees (https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/policy-information/prior-learning/advanced-start-credit-bachelors-degrees/) for details.

Eligible students who choose to complete the accelerated master’s degree option will take four graduate-level courses in addition to selected undergraduate electives.