Minor in Cognitive Neuroscience

Cognitive Neuroscience is an interdisciplinary field with a focus on a fundamental mystery of science: how the mind arises from the brain. A minor in Cognitive Neuroscience will strengthen the academic record of students who plan to apply for graduate programs. For example, in Psychology this minor will strengthen applicants’ records for specializations such as Behavioral Neuroscience, Clinical Neuropsychology, Cognitive Psychology, or Psychophysiology. Students might also go into General Neuroscience or Cognitive Science. Pre-med students with a Cognitive Neuroscience minor would present distinctive profiles to medical school admissions offices.

Students in the College of Liberal Arts (including Psychology majors) as well as students in other colleges, schools, and departments may choose to minor in Cognitive Neuroscience. Only the following courses can be double-counted for the Psychology major and the Cognitive Neuroscience minor:

- PSY 1001 Introduction to Psychology
- PSY 1003 Statistics for Psychology
- PSY 1004 Critical Thinking in Psychology

Minors are awarded only at the time of completion of the bachelor’s degree and cannot be awarded either as a stand-alone program of study or after completion of the first bachelor’s degree.

Requirements

Students must complete successfully the following courses with a grade of C- or better:

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Cognitive Neuroscience Elective Courses

Select two of the following:

- CSCD 2049 Language and the Brain
- CSCD 2219 Psycholinguistics
- NSCI 2001 Functional Neuroanatomy
- NSCI 2121 Development/Plasticity/Repair
- NSCI 2222 The Neurobiology of Disease
- NSCI 3005 Affective Neuroscience
- NSCI 3087 Techniques in Neuroscience
- PHIL 2144 Introduction to the Philosophy of Mind
- PHIL 4244 Philosophy of Mind
- PSY 2501 Foundations of Behavioral Neuroscience
- PSY 2101 Foundations of Cognitive Psychology
- PSY 3002 Evolutionary and Comparative Psychology
- PSY 3100 Topics: Brain, Behavior and Cognition
- PSY 3131 Problem Solving and Creative Thinking
- PSY 3132 Human Memory
- PSY 3141 Neurobiology and Evolution of Social Behavior
- PSY 3162 Visual Recognition
- PSY 3305 Cognitive and Language Development
- PSY 3306 Neuroscience of Development and Aging
- PSY 3411 Social Cognition
- PSY 3561 Psychopharmacology
- PSY 3566 Neurobiology of Learning and Memory
- PSY 3602 Clinical Neuropsychology
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**Total Credit Hours**: 21

$^1$ Check for prerequisites