

Neuroscience

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The Neuroscience major offers a diversity of courses that allows students to specialize in brain science, while integrating Saint Louis University course requirements.

A Neuroscience degree is a rigorous program that will serve as outstanding preparation for students interested in pursuing graduate school in neuroscience, medical school, or careers in industry.

General Requirements

Neuroscience Major (Bachelor of Science)

Required Courses in Neuroscience (10 credits)

NEUR 3400	Introduction to Neuroscience 1	3
NEUR 3500	Introduction to Neuroscience 2	3
NEUR 3550	Neuroscience Lab	1
NEUR 4900	Neuroscience Seminar	3

Required Courses in Biology (24 credits)

BIOL 1240	Principles of Biology I	3
BIOL 1245	Principles of Biology I Laboratory	1
BIOL 1260	Principles of Biology II	3
BIOL 1265	Principles of Biology II Laboratory	1
BIOL 3020	Cellular Biochemistry & Molecular Biology	3
BIOL 3040	Cellular Structure & Function	3
BIOL Electives (10 credits from the Biology Elective Courses list below; must include one lab course)		

Biology Elective Courses (lab courses indicated in italic)

BIOL 3010	Evolution	3
BIOL 3030	Principles of Genetics	3
<i>BIOL 3060</i>	<i>Cell Structure & Function Laboratory</i>	1
<i>BIOL 3100</i>	<i>Experiments in Genetics Lab</i>	1
<i>BIOL 3420</i>	<i>Comparative Anatomy of the Vertebrates</i>	5

<i>BIOL 3470</i>	<i>General Physiology Laboratory</i>	2
BIOL 3480	Exercise Physiology	3
BIOL 4010	Sex, Evolution, and Behavior	3
BIOL 4030	Introduction to Genomics	3
<i>BIOL 4050</i>	<i>Molecular Technique Laboratory</i>	2
BIOL 4070	Advanced Biological Chemistry	3
BIOL 4080	Advanced Cell Biology	3
BIOL 4150	Nerve Cell Mechanisms in Behavior	3
BIOL 4250	Neurobiology of Disease	3
BIOL 4360	Animal Behavior	3
<i>BIOL 4370</i>	<i>Animal Behavior Lab</i>	1
BIOL 4410	Comparative Animal Physiology	3
<i>BIOL 4440</i>	<i>Vertebrate Histology: Structure and Function of Tissues</i>	4
BIOL 4500	Introductory Endocrinology	3
BIOL 4510	Behavioral Endocrinology	3
BIOL 4540	Human Cellular Physiology I	3
BIOL 4600	Developmental Biology	3
<i>BIOL 4610</i>	<i>Developmental Biology Lab</i>	2
BIOL 4630	Foundations of Immunobiology	3
BIOL 4700	Molecular Biology	3

Required Courses in Psychology (19 credits)

PSY 1010	General Psychology	3
PSY 2050	Foundations of Research Methods & Statistics with Lab	4
PSY 3100	Brain, Mind & Society	3
PSY Elective (9 credits from the Psychology Elective Courses list below)		

Psychology Elective Courses

PSY 3120	Cognitive Psychology	3
PSY 3160	Learning and Memory	3
PSY 3210	Developmental Psychology: Child	3
PSY 3230	Developmental Psychology: Adolescence	3
PSY 3300	Social Psychology	3
PSY 3310	Personality Theory	3
PSY 4140	Psychopharmacology	3
PSY 4150	Science of Sleep	3
PSY 4350	Health Psychology	3
PSY 4390	Abnormal Psychology	3

Courses in Chemistry (8 credits)

CHEM 1110	General Chemistry 1 Lecture	3
CHEM 1115	General Chemistry 1 Laboratory	1
CHEM 1120	General Chemistry 2 Lecture	3
CHEM 1125	General Chemistry 2 Laboratory	1

Courses in Mathematics (4 credits)

MATH 1510	Calculus I	4
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Courses in Philosophy (3 credits)

PHIL 4280	Biology & Mind	3
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Courses in Physics (4 credits)

PHYS	1310	Physics I	3
PHYS	1320	Physics I Laboratory	1

Capstone/Inquiry/Honors Project (1-3 credits)

All neuroscience majors must complete a capstone or equivalent project (e.g., Psychology Capstone course, Biology Senior Inquiry, Honors Thesis, etc.). The rationale for this requirement is to provide the opportunity to integrate coursework with an active learning experience, such as research. Courses that meet this requirement include, but are not limited to, the following:

BIOL	4890	Senior Inquiry: Comprehensive Examination	
BIOL	4970	Library Project	
BIOL	4980	Advanced Independent Study	
PSY	4010	Advanced Statistics and Research Methods	
PSY	4880	Capstone Research Project	
PSY	4900	Critical Thinking about Psych	

Mentoring

All majors are required to enroll and participate in first and second year mentoring.

NEUR	1950	First-Year Mentoring	0
NEUR	2950	Second-Year Mentoring	0

Residency

Majors are required to enroll in NEUR 4950 during their final semester.

NEUR	4950	Senior Residency	0
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Pre-Professional Health

Students taking a Pre-Professional Health curriculum will be required to complete additional course requirements for medical or other professional schools as outlined by the Pre-Professional Health Studies Program.

Neuroscience Major Continuation Standards

Students must have a minimum of a 3.0 GPA in the following required major courses by the conclusion of two semesters at Saint Louis University: PSY 1010, BIOL 1240/1245, BIOL 1260/1265, CHEM 1100/1115, CHEM 1120/1125. Students that fall below a 3.0 GPA will be placed on program probation. In order to continue as a Neuroscience major after four semesters at Saint Louis University, students must obtain at least a 3.0 GPA in the following required major courses: PSY 1010, PSY 2050, BIOL 1240/1245, BIOL 1260/1265, BIOL 3020, BIOL 3040, CHEM 1100/1115, CHEM 1120/1125, NEUR 3400. Transfer students will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.