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BA in Psychology

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A great deal of effort has been expended in preparing this Handbook, in order to ensure that its content is complete and accurate.

However, changes and alterations to the information are possible. Such changes, which will be published during the course of the year via various means, such as, the handbook on the IDC Herzliya website, will obligate the entire student body.

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This Student Handbook has been specially prepared for the Raphael Recanati International School and includes translations of relevant sections of IDC Herzliya's Hebrew Student Handbook. If any discrepancies are found between the two, the Hebrew version will take precedence. Certain sections of the Hebrew version pertain specifically to law students and thus may be disregarded by students of the International School.

Introduction to the Program

The studies for an undergraduate degree (B. A.) at the School of Psychology, comprising 120 credits*, are divided into three parts:

1. Psychology Courses

2. Supplementary Cluster Courses

3. General Elective Courses

Additionally, students may be required to take up to 8 credits of English Communication Skills courses, depending on their level of English.

1. Psychology Courses**

1st Year

Mandatory Courses	36 credits
English Communication Skills for Psychologists (as required)	8 credits

2nd Year

Mandatory Courses 37 credits

3rd Year

Mandatory Courses	6 credits
Field Experience	4 credits
Theoretical Seminars	3 credits
Research Seminar	4 credits
Elective Courses in Psychology	8 credits

^{*} The number of semester-hours studied during the course of the undergraduate degree may be higher than the number of credits awarded for the degree.

2. Supplementary Cluster ***

All students are required to take one of the following Supplementary Clusters, consisting of 16 credits, during the second and third year of their undergraduate studies:

- Business Administration
- Government
- Communications

3. General Elective Courses

Psychology students must are required to take 8 General Elective credits, which can be selected from the General Studies Unit and courses from other schools at IDC Interdisciplinary Elective courses). 1st year students, beginning their studies at the 2015-16 academic year are enrolled in a mandatory 2-credits General Elective course "Networks, Cellphones, and Robots - Computers in the 21st Century" thus, are only required to complete 6 additional General Elective credits.

^{**} For students who start their studies in the 2015-2016 academic year.

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"Brain and Mind" Internships

Program coordinator: Dr. Limor Shtoots

This two year program provides outstanding 2nd and 3rd year undergraduate psychology students with the opportunity to explore the relationship between mind and body, and to participate in ground-breaking research.

The "Brain and Mind" internships take place in IDC laboratories and in Sagol Neuroscience Center of Sheba Medical Center at Tel Hashomer.

During the 2nd academic year of psychology studies, participants acquire methodical research skills in neuroscience or neuropsychology (EEG, eye-tracking, physiological markers, MRI, animal behavior, sleep studies, neuropsychological testing, psycho-pharmacology, programming and analysis in Matlab, E-prime, etc.) Guided Research course - 2 academic credits

During the final academic year, students commit 14 hours weekly to participate in a research project under the supervision of senior researchers, earning 4 academic credits in fulfillment of Psychological Skills and Field Experience, and 4 academic credits in fulfillment of Research Seminar.

Admission to the program is after Year I. Academic standing requirements are grades of 88 minimum each in: Biological Basis of Behavior, Intro to Cognitive Psychology, and Statistics. Acceptance to the program is dependent on a personal interview by the relevant researcher.

Honors Program

The Honors Program in Psychology is designed to give outstanding B.A. students who plan a career in Psychology a unique opportunity to learn about and engage in original research. The program involves participation in a seminar and requires the completion of an original, independent research project, resulting in an Honors Thesis.

Selection of students for the program takes place at the end of the first year and they are based on; 1st year grades, a written assignment and an interview.

Program of Studies

First Year

Course Code	Course Name	Lecture Hours	Recitation Hours	Total Credit Points	Prerequisites	Final Course Assignment					
Year-long Courses											
8009	School Seminar Dr. Michal Reifen Tagar	41		0							
	Fall Semester	Courses									
8910	Introduction to Statistics A Dr. Yaniv Kanat-Maymon	2	3	3.5		Exam					
8891	Biological Basis of Behavior A Dr Daniel Levy	2	2	3		Exam					
8011	English for Psychology Advanced 1## Ms. Nima Dan	4		2		Exam					
8010	English for Psychology Advanced 2## Ms. Louise Klaff	4		0	English for Psychology Advanced 1	Exam					
8000	Introduction to Psychology Prof. Gilad Hirschberger	4	2	5		Exam					
8001	Positive Psychology Dr. Dina Nir	2		2		Paper					
8093	Philosophy of Science Mr Yekutiel Shoham	2		2		Exam					
8054	Probability Dr. Sharon Riwkes Ms Lior Galili	2		1		Exam					
7485	Networks, Cellphones, and Robots - Computers in the 21st Century # Dr. Guy Hoffman Dr. Zuckerman	2		2		Paper					
	Spring Semeste	r Courses									
8911	Introduction to Statistics B Dr. Yaniv Kanat-Maymon	2	3	3.5	Introduction to Statistics A	Exam					
8006	Social Psychology Dr. Michal Reifen Tagar	4		4	Intro. to Psychology	Exam					
8002	Developmental Psychology Dr. Sarit Guttmann- Steinmetz	4		4	Intro. to Psychology	Exam					

¹ Two hours each semester

8020	Introduction to Cognitive Psychology Dr. Boaz Ben-David	2	2	3	Intro. to Psychology	Exam
8892	Biological Basis of Behavior B Dr Daniel Levy	2	2	3		Exam
8147	Practical Statistics Using SPSS Mr Ehud Levitin	2		0		Exam
	Total Credits			36(38)		

[#] This course is mandatory to the first year Psychology students and is counted as a 2 credits general elective course (out of the 8 required credits in total).

^{##} Required of students needing English instruction. English proficiency is determined based on prior studies and/or exams held at the beginning of the first year.

Second Year

Course Code	Course Name	Lecture Hours	Recitation Hours	Total Credit Points	Prerequisites	Final Course Assignment
Year-Lon	g Course					
8014	Research Methods Prof. Tamar Saguy Dr. Talia Haimovich	41	4	8	Intro. to Statistics, Intro. to Psychology	Exam
Fall Sem	ester Courses					
8130	Cognitive Processes A Dr. Boaz Ben-David	2	2	3	Intro. to Psychology Introduction to Cognitive Psychology	Exam
8924	Multivariate Statistics A Mr Alon Zivony	2	3	3.5	Intro. to Statistics, Intro. to Psychology	Exam
8889	Theories of Personality A Prof. Ora Nakash	2		2	Intro. to Psychology	Exam
8021	Brain, Cognition, and Emotion Dr. Daniel Levy	2	2	3	Intro. to Psychology, Biological Basis of Behavior	Exam
8912	Introduction to Clinical Psychology A Dr. Ben Shahar	2		2	Intro. to Psychology,	Exam
8914	Psychology and Social Change Mr. Aharon Levy	2		1		Paper
Spring S	emester Courses					
8013	Organizational Psychology Dr. Moran Anisman Razin	4		4	Intro. to Psychology Social Psychology	Exam
8131	Cognitive Processes B Dr. Daniel Levy	2	2	3	Intro. to Psychology	Exam
8890	Theories of Personality B Prof. Ora Nakash	2		2	Intro. to Psychology	Exam

¹ Two lecture hours and two recitation hours each semester

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8913	Introduction to Clinical Psychology B Dr. Ben Shahar	2		2	Intro. to Psychology, Introduction to Clinical Psychology A	Exam
8925	Multivariate Statistics B Mr Alon Zivony	2	3	3.5	Intro. to Statistics, Intro. to Psychology	Exam
	Total Credits			37		

Prerequisites for the second year

(Additional to the specific prerequisites required for each course)

- A grade of at least 60 in the course "Introduction to Psychology" (or an exemption from the course).
- The accumulation of 36 units of participation in experiments conducted in the psychology lab during the first year of studies.
- In order to register for methodological courses (Multivariate Statistics and Research Methods) during the second year, students are required to have achieved a grade of at least 60 in Statistics (or an exemption from the course).

Guided Research

In the second or third years of studies, students may conduct guided research under the direction of an academic member of the department. 2 credits will be awarded for successful completion of a guided research project. These 2 credits may be used in lieu of one psychology elective course. Details about the Guided Research framework are available with the Academic Director.

General Elective Courses

Students may take any number of General Elective courses (from the 8 general elective credits required) during the second year of their studies.

Supplementary Clusters

Students should begin to take Supplementary Cluster courses during the second year of studies. See below for details.

Third Year Mandatory Courses

Course Code	Course Name	Lecture Hours	Recitation Hours	Total Credit Points	Pre-requisites	Final Course Assignment
Year-lon	g Course					
8025	Psychological Skills II Dr. Yasmin Fulder Dr. Chantal Stern - Azachi Mr. Aylon Slater Mr. Yair Palmoni	61		4	Intro. to Psychology Psychological Skills I	Paper
Fall Sem	nester Course					
8138	Abnormal Psychology A Dr. Ben Shahar	2		2	Intro. to Psychology	Exam
Spring S	Semester Courses					
8135	Psychology, Society and Culture Prof. Tamar Saguy	2		2	Intro. to Psychology	Exam
8139	Abnormal Psychology B Dr. Ben Shahar	2		2	Intro. to Psychology	Exam
Total Cr	edits			10		

Theoretical Seminar Choose one of the following seminars

Course Code	Course Name	Lecture Hours	Recitation Hours	Total Credit Points	Pre-requisites	Final Course Assignment
Fall Sem	ester Seminars					
8106	Implicit and Explicit Processes in Psychopathology Dr. Guy Doron	3		3	Intro. to Psychology	Paper
8064	Development of Prosocial and antisocial behaviors Dr. Sarit Steinmetz	3		3	Intro. to Psychology	Paper
8082	Multidimensional Approach to Emotions Prof. Gilad Hirschberger	3		3	Intro. to Psychology	Paper
Total Cre	edits			3		

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¹ 3 hours each semester

Research Seminars

Choose one of the following seminars¹

Course Code	Course Name	Lecture Hours	Recitation Hours	Total Credit Points	Pre-requisites	Final Course Assignment
Year-lon	g Seminars (2 hours each seme	ster)				
8927	Parents and their Infants: The Study of Parenting and Development in Infancy Ms. Tahli Frenkel	4		4		Paper
8104	Social Defense Theory Prof. Tsachi Ein-Dor	4		4		Paper
8105	Self-Criticism, Self- Compassion and Emotional disorders Dr. Ben Shahar	4		4		Paper
8144	Honors Thesis Prof Eran Halperin	4		4		Paper
Total Cre	edits			4		

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ The following courses are prerequisites for all research seminars:

[•] Intro. to Psychology

[•] Intro. to Statistics

[•] Research Methods

[•] Multivariate Statistics

Elective Courses in Psychology

Choose five of the following courses*

Course Code	Course Name	Lecture Hours	Recitation Hours	Total Credit Points	Pre-requisites	Final Course Assignment
Fall Sem	ester Courses					
8050	Interpersonal Psychotherapy Dr. Anat Brunstein-Klomek	2		2	Intro. to Psychology	Exam
8919	Cognitive Interventions For People with Neuropsychological Disorders Dr Alex Bahar-Fuchs	2		2	Intro. to Psychology	Exam
8899	Sleep and Sleep Disorders Dr. Jonathan Kushnir	2		2	Intro. to Psychology	Exam
8900	Cognitive Behavior Therapy Dr. Danny Hamiel	2		2	Intro. to Psychology	Paper
Spring S	emester Courses					
8087	Parent-Infant Relationship and the Relational Self Dr. Dana Shai	2		2	Intro. to Psychology	Exam
8142	Cognitive Aging Prof. Michal Schnaider Beeri	2		2	Intro. to Psychology	Paper
8918	Being well Organizational Mr Dana Zelicha	2		2	Intro. to Psychology	Exam

Group Guided Research

A group guided research can be chosen instead of one elective course in Psychology.

Year-long Courses (2 hours each semester)

8928	Close Relationship and Sexuality: The New Era; 2015-2016 Prof' Gurit Birnbaum Dr. Yaniv Kanat-Maymon	4	2	Intro. to Psychology	Paper
8929	Guided research on social defense theory and its implication to interpersonal relationships Prof. Tsachi Ein-Dor	4	2	Intro. to Psychology	Paper
8930	Cognition & Aging Dr. Boaz Ben-David	4	2	Intro. to Psychology	Paper

8931	Research Conducted by the Members of DICE@IDC Research Center Dr. Ayal Shahar	4	2	Intro. to Psychology	Paper
8932	Guided Research on the Psychology of Intergroup Conflict Dr. Michal Reifen Tagar Prof Eran Halperin Prof. Tamar Saguy	4	2	Intro. to Psychology	Paper
8933	Group Project Course in the Advanced Reality Lab Dr. Doron Friedman	4	2	Intro. to Psychology	Paper
Total Cre	edits*		10		

General Elective Courses

The required 8 credits of General Elective courses must be completed in the third year of studies.

Supplementary ClustersThe required 16 credits of Supplementary Cluster courses must be completed during the third year of studies. See below for details.

Supplementary Cluster Studies

- > All clusters consist of **16** total credits.
- > Students are required to choose courses (<u>not including seminars and workshops</u>) from the schools of Business Administration, Government and Communications, depending on the cluster chosen by the student, and subject to the prerequisites and availability of the courses.
- > These courses can be taken during the second or third years of study.

Communications Cluster

Course Code	Course Name	Lecture Hours	Recitation Hours	Total Credit Points	Pre-requisites	Final Course Assignmen
	Cluster Mai	ndatory	Course in	the 2 nd	year	
Spring S	emester Courses					
7017	Introduction to Communications: Theories and Models Dr. Roi Estlein	2		2		Exam
	Cluster Mar	ndatory	Courses in	the 3 rd	d year	
Fall Sem	nester Courses					
7394	Family Communication and New Media Dr. Roi Estlein	2		2		Paper
7338	Face the Press - Journalism and Social Media Mr. Roy Katz	2		2		Paper

In addition to the mandatory courses listed below, the students in the Communications Cluster are required to register for 10 additional credits of the mandatory or elective courses¹ in the School of Communications.

¹ Psychology students taking communications courses as part of their Supplementary Cluster may are exempt from prerequisite requirements listed for those courses.

Business Administration Cluster

Acceptance to the Business Administration cluster is conditional upon:

- A grade of **80 or higher** in the course Introduction to Statistics.
- > A total **GPA of at least 85** for the first year.

Cluster Mandatory Course in the 2nd year

Course Code	Course Name	Lecture Hours	Recitation Hours	Total Credit Points	Pre-requisites	Final Course Assignment					
Spring Semester Course											
43	Principles of Marketing Management Mr. Coby Morvinski	4		4		Exam					
Cluster Mandatory Course in the 3 rd year											
Fall Semester Course											
7	Microeconomics Group I – Mr . Ido Eisdorfer	3		3		Exam					

In addition to the mandatory courses listed below, students in the Business Administration cluster are required to register for 9 additional credits of the mandatory or elective courses in the School of Business Administration.

Government Cluster

Students taking the Government cluster are required to take 16 credits of courses from the School of Government, including at least 2 introductory (first- or second-year) courses. Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Statistics for Government, and Research Methods for Government are not eligible courses for the cluster.

Exam Schedule

The dates of the examinations can be found on the IDC Herzliya website under Students \rightarrow Course Catalogue, Student Regulations and Syllabi \rightarrow Search Exams

A personal examinations schedule is published at the Student's Information website (My IDC).