

# BRAIN, BODY AND BEHAVIOR MINOR

**Banner Code: BBB**

## Academic Advising

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The courses included in this minor emphasize the behavioral consequences of both normal and abnormal neuronal and physiological processes. These in-depth courses will broaden the students' knowledge in understanding brain and behavior, specifically, but not exclusively, the cognitive aspects.

## Admissions & Policies

### Policies

Eight credits of coursework must be unique to the minor and students must complete all coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.80. For policies governing all minors, see AP5.3.4 Minors (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/#ap-5-3-4>).

## Requirements

### Minor Requirements

Total credits: 21

Students should be aware of the specific policies associated with this program, located on the Admissions & Policies tab.

### Required Courses

Code	Title	Credits
PSYC 304	Principles of Learning (Mason Core) ( <a href="http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/">http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/</a> )	4
PSYC 373	Biopsychology Laboratory	2
PSYC 375	Brain and Sensory Processes	3
PSYC 376	Brain and Behavior	3
Total Credits		12

### Electives

Code	Title	Credits
Select a minimum of 9 credits from the following: <sup>1</sup>		9
NEUR 327	Cellular Neuroscience	
NEUR 335	Developmental and Systems Neuroscience	
PSYC 309	Sensation, Perception, and Information Processing (Mason Core) ( <a href="http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/">http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/</a> )	
PSYC 460	Independent Study in Psychology <sup>2</sup>	
PSYC 461	Special Topics <sup>3</sup>	
PSYC 480	Biological Bases of Alzheimer's Disease	
PSYC 472	Current Topics in Brain and Behavior <sup>4</sup>	

Other course as approved by the undergraduate associate chair

Total Credits 9

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Students who are accepted into and successfully complete the Psychology Department Honors Program (PSYC 490 Psychology Honors I, PSYC 491 Psychology Honors II, and PSYC 492 RS: Psychology Honors III (Mason Core) (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)) with an honors thesis/project focused on cognitive and behavioral neuroscience may apply this coursework to the minor.

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With permission of CBN faculty member.

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When approved by the undergraduate associate chair and topic is *Music and the Brain*, *Neuronal Aspects of Cognitive Development*, *Animal Cognition*, or *Psychology of Stress and Health*.

4

When approved by the undergraduate associate chair and topic is *Neuronal Bases of Learning and Memory*, *Drugs and the Brain*, or *Brain in Books and Film*.