Biopsychology
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Faculty & Staff List (https://www.mills.edu/faculty/biopsychology)

Biopsychology is an interdisciplinary major applying the perspectives and techniques of biology and psychology to understand interactions between mind and body, environment, and behavior. Biopsychology is a rapidly expanding discipline with exciting advances in areas such as psychoneuroimmunology (the exploration of brain, behavior, and immune function) and behavioral genetics (the exploration of genetic and environmental effects on behavior, personality, and mood).

The biopsychology major is an excellent choice for students who have interests in both the biological and psychological sciences. The majority of course work comes from the two main disciplines of the major, psychology and biology, and includes courses from chemistry. The combination of courses across disciplines provides students with a foundation for understanding the intersection of biology and psychology at an optimal level. Students may also gain research experience working with faculty in the Psychology and Biology Departments. Students in this major will be prepared to pursue graduate studies in psychology, biology, or related fields.

Students interested in graduate studies in biology should complete the full organic chemistry series and are urged to obtain additional laboratory research experience in the biological sciences. Some students may wish to use this major in their preparation for health-related careers. Students who are interested in medicine and nursing should expand their course work by completing the organic chemistry series, physics, and calculus.

Program Goals
Possess knowledge of general biological and psychological principles to understand interactions between mind/body, environment, and human behavior.

Majors

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