

CORBAN ONLINE: BACHELOR'S IN PSYCHOLOGY

As a Corban Online psychology student, you will study the fundamentals of psychological theory, research and practice. Your course of study is consistently informed by a biblical worldview to give you an education that combines your faith and your career. You will graduate from the psychology program equipped as a professional and as a Christian leader.

CONVENIENT

With accelerated eight-week courses and a rolling course calendar, you can adjust your schedule of coursework to fit your needs at any given time. During each eight-week session, you will have the ability to choose a part-time or full-time schedule.

ACCELERATED

Corban allows you to earn credits toward your degree from prior schools or trainings, CLEP tests and military credit. Whether you have previous college credit or are just starting your college experience, the eight-week courses will allow you to finish your degree more quickly than a traditional program.

RELEVANT

The program features concentrations in Family Studies and Counseling Psychology, providing coursework which will prepare you to take on responsibilities as a leader in your chosen career field or to make a successful career change.

A degree in **Counseling Psychology** prepares you to make a difference in any people-oriented career. Students often continue to graduate school for training as a licensed professional counselor, marriage and family therapist, psychologist, trauma therapist, or social worker, or step immediately into careers with the Department of Human Services, community action agencies, non-profits, or any people-helping organization.

Family Studies graduates are prepared to work in human services, ministries and non-profit organizations. Within these fields, students are qualified for a wide variety of positions such as case manager, rehabilitation specialist, career counselor, and family ministries staff. Family Studies students often go on to graduate school.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES

General education courses are those required by the University for all bachelor's degree programs. As a Corban University student, you will complete a minimum of 60 semester credits of general education that can be taken at Corban or transferred from another accredited university.

These requirements include courses in Bible, communications, history, math, writing, science, humanities and other general education electives. Elective credits within the general ed requirement give you greater flexibility in what courses will make up your degree. You may want to take additional Bible courses for an optional Bible minor, or you may transfer in an art class from your previous school. How you use these credits is up to you.

PSYCHOLOGY CORE COURSES

These are the courses that are a part of your psychology degree requirements, including psychology, sociology and social science courses. See below for a breakdown of the psychology major.

CONCENTRATION COURSES

Concentrations are your opportunity to focus your degree in an area that is relevant to your interests and career goals. Elective options within the concentrations also allow you to further customize your degree.

PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR

PSYCHOLOGY CORE (9 COURSES)

PSY105	General Psychology	PSY305	Personality Theories
PSY205	Lifespan Development		OR
PSY215	Social Psychology	PSY335	Counseling Theories
PSY235	Social Science Research Methods	PSY415	Internship
PSY275	Abnormal Psychology		OR
PSY307	Human Sexuality	SSC403	Family Facilitation Programming
PSY495	Psychology & Christianity		

FAMILY STUDIES CONCENTRATION (5 COURSES)

PSY207	Counseling Skills
PSY328	Family Systems
SOC343	Marriage & Family
SOC363	Ethnicity, Social Class & Family
PSY/SOC/SSC/CJU	Elective 300+

COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY CONCENTRATION (5 COURSES)

PSY307	Human Sexuality
PSY407	Issues in Pre-marriage, Marriage & Divorce
PSY/SOC/SSC/CJU	Electives 200+
PSY/SOC/SSC/CJU	Elective 300+
PSY/SOC/SSC/CJU	Elective 300+

PSYCHOLOGY, SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

PSY105 GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY (3 CREDITS) This course is an introduction to the scientific study of human behavior and will introduce students to many of the problems, methods, and findings of modern psychology, as well as provide a historical and Christian worldview perspective for these findings. *This introductory course is a three credit prerequisite for all advanced psychology courses.*

PSY205 LIFESPAN DEVELOPMENT (3 CREDITS) This course offers students a lifespan approach to the physical, cognitive, psycho-emotional and spiritual/moral development of humans at throughout the lifespan. Major developmental theories are examined in the light of a biblical perspective for human growth.

PSY207 COUNSELING SKILLS (3 CREDITS) This course introduces students to theory and skills essential to effective interpersonal relations. Emphasis is placed on interviewing strategies for the analysis and assessment of family life issues for the purpose of appropriate educational recommendations. The outcomes are intended to enhance personal and professional growth.

PSY215 SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY (3 CREDITS) This course is a study of human thought, emotion, and behavior in an interpersonal context.

PSY225 STATISTICS FOR THE BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (3 CREDITS) A study of basic statistical procedures for psychological research, including correlation, bivariate regression, t-tests, analysis of variance (one-way and factorial), and several nonparametric procedures.

PSY275 ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY (3 CREDITS) This course introduces students to the theoretical and practical aspects of abnormal behavior. Students will become familiar with the vocabulary, major classifications, major theoretical frameworks, differential diagnosis, and practical aspects of mental illness.

PSY305 PERSONALITY THEORIES (3 CREDITS) This course is the study of classical theories of personality. These theories are critiqued from both a scientific and biblical perspective. Prerequisite PS201

PSY307 HUMAN SEXUALITY (3 CREDITS) This course investigates the biblical basis of sexuality. A basic introduction to human sexuality, counseling for sexual issues, and a theology of sex will be addressed. Special issues in sexuality will be discussed, as well as, the basics of sexual biology and psychology, sexual development, and sexual dysfunction. Students will also be challenged in their biblical analysis of special issues in sex research.

PSY325 SENSATION & PERCEPTION (3 CREDITS) A survey of the current scientific models, concepts, and integrative theories that encompass the field of human sensory and perceptual studies, with a special emphasis on the neurological and cognitive features of vision.

PSY328 FAMILY SYSTEMS (3 CREDITS) This course introduces the student to various models of family therapy used today. Structural and strategic family therapies will be presented, as well as multigenerational family therapy and experiential family therapy. Each approach will highlight key figures in the field and their models will be discussed from a Christian counseling perspective. Specific issues of working with families will be highlighted.

PSY407 MARITAL & PREMARITAL COUNSELING (3 CREDITS) This course will consider the dynamics of the marital relationship as well as the premarital. The dynamics of these relationships will be explored and considered in the counseling process and discussed from a Christ-centered perspective. It will encompass the varying strategies and techniques that are utilized in the counseling process. A premarital counseling model will be developed by each student. Biblical counseling models as well as alternatives to traditional therapy approaches will be discussed.

PSY408 TRAUMA THERAPY (3 CREDITS) This course introduces various theories of crisis counseling and trauma therapy, such as critical incident stress management (CISM) and debriefing (CISD). A second emphasis is trauma models of

therapy: trauma and dissociation, assessments, treatments, and therapies. Special cases will focus on grief, sexual assault, sexual abuse, and relational trauma.

PSY415 INTERNSHIP (3 CREDITS) This course integrates the undergraduate major's experience in a real-world, supervised employment or volunteer work setting with the student's best effort to reflect on that experience in the context of their academic discipline. The successful experience will also position the student more favorably for graduate study or a professional career following graduation. *Family Studies students may substitute SS403 Family Facilitation Programming for this course.*

PSY438 PSYCHOLOGY OF DEATH & DYING (3 CREDITS) This course will introduce lifespan development and the final stages of the process of Death and Dying. Students will compare and contrast historical and modern attitudes toward death and dying found in literature, rituals, religion, philosophy, film, medico-legal issues, and in the process of clarifying the attitudes and values of diverse peoples.

PSY495 PSYCHOLOGY & CHRISTIANITY (3 CREDITS) This course is an overview of some basic approaches to the integration of psychological science with Christian truth. This interdisciplinary integration is explored through various models that scholars have attempted to use. Students will engage in thoughtful discussion on difficult integrative topics and develop their own perspectives and convictions regarding integration. *Requires Senior status.*

SOC333FV FAMILY VIOLENCE & DYSFUNCTION (3 CREDITS) This course involves an examination of the nature and consequences of violence that occur within the family setting. Issues to be studied include but are not limited to dating violence, stalking, sexual assault, spousal abuse and elder abuse. This social phenomenon will be studied using theory and research, as well as past and present case studies.

SOC335CA CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT (3 CREDITS) This course involves an examination of the nature and consequences of violence that occurs within the family setting, specifically to children birth through age 17. Issues to be studied include child physical abuse, sexual abuse, emotional abuse and neglect. Prevention and treatment for offenders and victims will also be covered.

SOC343 MARRIAGE & THE FAMILY (3 CREDITS) This course addresses human relationships and the dynamics of marital and family relationships using secular and biblical principles. Students learn to analyze personal interactions and the characteristics of strong families. The module also evaluates singleness as an alternative to marriage.

SOC353 PARENTING & FAMILY SKILLS (3 CREDITS) This course is designed to assist the student in establishing a foundation for understanding the dynamics of parent-child relationships. Parenting is presented as a process that changes over time as both child and parent develop across the life span. Topics covered are areas of concern to parents and to professionals working with parents.

SOC363 ETHNICITY, SOCIAL CLASS & FAMILY (3 CREDITS) The focus of this course is on the effect of cultural and ethnic diversity in human development and family issues. Students examine cultural and ethnic diversity in the definition of family and family patterns. The main goal is the development of sensitivity and awareness so that students can identify important questions related to ethnicity and family patterns.

SSC303 SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH METHODOLOGY/LIBRARY RESEARCH (3 CREDITS) The Research Methods course illustrates data gathered through qualitative and quantitative study concerning health and behavior. Students are given information on how to use library resources in researching their project topics.

SSC403 FAMILY FACILITATION PROGRAMMING (3 CREDITS) The purpose of this course is to acquaint the student with the essential principles for developing and delivering programs for families. Through class exercises the student will gain some experience in all phases of program implementation. This will include the actual development and demonstration of a family wellness program. *Family Studies students may substitute this course for PS415 Internship.*

SSC413 ETHICS & POLICIES IN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH (3 CREDITS) This course introduces the student to legal, ethical and professional concerns in the behavioral health field.

CJU413 JUVENILE DELINQUENCY (3 CREDITS) This course provides a study of juveniles and how they affect and are affected by the current juvenile justice system. The causes and treatment of delinquency will be reviewed, along with the procedures utilized at the county and state level, as well as the issues of prevention and intervention. Employment opportunities in the field of juvenile corrections will also be discussed and explored.

CORBAN ONLINE UNDERGRADUATE TUITION & FEES

TUITION

Online Undergraduate

COST PER CREDIT

\$440

CREDITS

120 (may vary if you transfer credits in)

FEES

Tuition Deposit

COST

\$100

Technology Fee

\$40 each semester

Graduation Fee

\$150

Course Fees

Varies (some courses may have fees to cover the cost of provided materials)

ESTIMATED PER SEMESTER COST

Part-time Semester: \$2,680 (6 semester credits, including technology fee)

Full-time Semester: \$5,320 (12 semester credits, including technology fee)

FINANCIAL AID RESOURCES

TUITION REIMBURSEMENT: Many companies believe in personal development and are willing to offer financial assistance. Ask your employer to see if you qualify. Often students find that they can receive as little as \$1,000 or up to 100% reimbursement.

FINANCIAL AID: Most students who apply for financial aid qualify. As a bachelor's degree student, you can receive up to \$6,250 per semester in Direct Student Loans. Bachelor's degree students may also qualify for government grants. Start by filling out your FAFSA at fafsa.ed.gov. Corban's school code is **001339**.

MILITARY EDUCATION BENEFITS: If you have served in the military, there may be financial assistance waiting for you. If you don't take advantage of your benefits, you can lose them. For instance, 10 years after the date of your last discharge GI Bill programs expire. If you are currently in the military, ask your education officer about tuition assistance.

PAYMENT PLANS: If you want to make monthly payments toward your tuition, we're here to help. Corban's Student Financial Services Office can work with you to set up a monthly payment plan each semester. There is a \$55 fee per semester to use the payment plan option.

**Tuition and fees are subject to change each new academic year.*

CORBAN ONLINE UNDERGRADUATE: APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Complete and submit the following items in order for your application packet to be reviewed for acceptance. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis and should be completed at least 4 weeks prior to the start of classes.

- **APPLICATION**
Begin your application at corban.edu/apply
- **CHRISTIAN CHARACTER REFERENCE (INCLUDED ON THE APPLICATION)**
Provide the name of an individual who can serve as a Christian Character Reference. This should be an individual who is familiar with your Christian walk, professional conduct and potential as a student. The individual should be someone who is not a relative and preferably someone who has known you for at least a year.
- **OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS**
To be requested from all previously attended colleges and universities. If you have less than 30 credits of college coursework, you will also be required to submit official high school transcripts. Official transcripts should be sent to the Office of Admissions at Corban University.

AFTER ACCEPTANCE

- **PAY ENROLLMENT DEPOSIT (\$100)**
The enrollment deposit reserves your place in class and is applied directly toward your tuition.
- **LOG INTO POPULI**
Your Admissions counselor will create your account and send you information on how to use our online learning platform, Populi, before classes start.