Caucasus University

Caucasus School of Humanities and Social Sciences

Educational Program Title	
	ფსიქოლოგიის 3-წლიანი ერთობლივი პროგრამა (ნიუ ჯერსის სითი უნივერსიტეტთან ერთად - NJCU, აშშ)

Educational Program Title in English	
	Psychology 3-Year Joint Program (with New Jersey City University – NJCU, USA)

Higher Academic Degree	
	Bachelor's

Education Program Type	
	Academic

Program Teaching Language	
	English

Degree to be Awarded, code	0313
In Georgian	1. კავკასიის უნივერსიტეტი - ფსიქოლოგიის ბაკალავრი; 2. ნიუ ჯერსი სითი უნივერსიტეტი (აშშ) - ჰუმანიტარული მეცნიერებების ბაკალავრი ფსიქოლოგიაში.
In English:	1. Caucasus University - Bachelor of Psychology; 2. New Jersey City University - Bachelor of Arts in Psychology.
Date of the program approval and date of program renewal	University President Order N01/01-88, 04.11.2025; University President Order N01/01-01, 8.01.2026.
Head of the Academic Program	Maia Machavariani-Tsereteli, PhD in Psychology, Caucasus University Affiliated Associate Professor

Academic program in ECTS	

The undergraduate Joint Program in Psychology consists of 200 ECTS credits, with 75 ECTS credits taken in each of the first two years and 50 ECTS credits in the third year. The expected duration of the program is three years. Each academic year consists of two semesters. One semester totally 19 academic calendar weeks appropriately; each academic year covers 38 weeks. 1 ECTS credit sums 25 credit hours that, along with students' contact hours (classes, seminars, practical works), includes independent working hours (for midterm and final grading and credit hours for preparing homework and presentations).

Of the total, 140 ECTS credits are allocated to professional courses (125 ECTS credits for mandatory subjects and 15 ECTS credits for optional subjects), and 60 ECTS credits are allocated to the free component. These include 25 ECTS credits for mandatory general university courses, 20 ECTS credits for mandatory general English courses, and 5 ECTS credits for a mandatory Professional English language course. Additionally, 10 ECTS credits are allocated to optional second foreign language courses.

Note: If the foreign student presents the document of general English level proficiency, which is required by the program then s/he is free of studying general English and instead will study Georgian language within the framework of these credits. If the foreign student also knows Georgian Language then s/he can study other foreign languages or just use free credits, within the framework of these credits that are required by the academic program.

The Program Goals	The program sets three principal goals that undergraduates are expected to achieve and demonstrate by the end of the program. **The first goal** is to lay a foundation for a base of knowledge in core psychological concepts, theories, and methodologies, enabling students to conceptualize and apply psychological knowledge to personal development, interpersonal relationships, and broader sociocultural contexts. This foundation is built with an explicitly international academic orientation, ensuring that students are exposed to global perspectives and contemporary interdisciplinary scholarship in psychology. **The second goal** is to provide students with more in-depth knowledge and an understanding of concepts, principles, current trends, and applications within different specialties through critical engagement with contemporary research and scientific evidence. The program fosters an interdisciplinary and cross-cultural perspective, preparing students for advanced studies or professional practice in diverse cultural environments. Opportunities such as international mobility, joint instruction, and exposure to U.S. academic standards further enrich the learning experience and broaden students' global competencies. **The third goal** is to equip students with enhanced communication, collaboration, reasoning, and necessary research skills, enabling them to engage effectively in academic, professional, and cross-cultural contexts.
Outcomes of the Program	**Learning Outcome 1** - Undergraduates demonstrate comprehensive and integrative knowledge of fundamental psychological principles, concepts, theories, historic trends, and empirically supported findings, and apply this knowledge to interpret and explain behavior and mental processes across individual, social, and diverse cultural contexts. **Learning Outcome 2** - Undergraduates conduct research (under the supervision/recommendation) by using the current methodologies and approaches to investigate psychological phenomena.

Learning Outcome 3

- Undergraduates recognize and specify the fundamental ethical principles of the discipline and accordingly apply them in professional communication, research planning and implementation, show respect for cultural diversity in professional and interpersonal contexts, and plan and propose culturally sensitive strategies that promote well-being and encourage healthy lifestyles in individuals and communities.

Learning Outcome 4

- Undergraduates develop and apply critical thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making skills to address issues related to the psychological research data, human behavior and mental processes.

Learning Outcome 5

- Undergraduates develop foundational psychological knowledge and transferable professional skills necessary for entry-level positions related to psychology.

Educational Plan of a Bachelor's Program
(With the indication of modules, subjects, relevant credits)

№	Subject Code	Precondition	Subject/Module	ECTS credits						
				I		II		III		
				Semester I	Semester II	Semester I	Semester II	Semester I	Semester II	
			Free Component (Mandatory) **General university courses**	**10**	**15**					**25**
1.	JACWR 0007	None	Academic Writing	5						5
2.	JCSC 1160	None	Information Technologies	5						5
3.	JPHIL 1260	None	Fundamentals of Modern Thinking		5					5
4.	JISOC 1260	None	Introduction to Sociology		5					5
5.	JHIST 0003	None	History of Georgia		5					5
			General English	**5**	**5**	**5**	**5**			**20**
1.	JENGL 0001	None	B2 + General English Language Skills 1	5						5
2.	JENGL 0002	JENGL 0001	B2 + General English Language Skills 2		5					5
3.	JENGL 0009	JENGL 0002	C1.0 General English			5				5
4.	JENGL 0010	JENGL 0009	C1 General English				5			5
			Professional English	**5**						**5**
5.	JENGS 0160	None	PT Professional English (Social Studies)	5						5
			Professional Subjects (Mandatory)	**15**	**15**	**25**	**20**	**25**	**25**	**125**

№	Subject Code	Precondition	Subject/Module	I		II		III		
				Semester I	Semester II	Semester I	Semester II	Semester I	Semester II	
1.	JPSYC 1160	None	Fundamentals of Psychology 1	5						5
2.	JPSYC 1161	None	History of Psychology	5						
3.	JPSYC 1162	None	Biopsychology	5						5
4.	JPSYC 1260	JPSYC 1160	Fundamentals of Psychology 2		5					5
5.	JPSYC 1261	JPSYC 1160	Psychology Research Methods 1		5					5
6.	JPSYC 1262	JPSYC 1160 JPSYC 1162	Cognitive Psychology 1		5					
7.	JPSYC 2160	JPSYC 1260	Developmental Psychology			5				5
8.	JPSYC 2161	JPSYC 1260	Introduction to Clinical Psychology			5				5
9.	JPSYC 2162	JPSYC 1262	Cognitive Psychology 2			5				5
10	JPSYC 2163	JPSYC 1261	Research methods 2			5				5
11	JPSYC 2164	JPSYC 1260	Psychology of Personality			5				5
12	JPSYC 2260	JPSYC 2164	Positive psychology				5			5
13	JPSYC 2261	JPSYC 1260	Social Psychology				5			5
14	JPSYC 2262	JPSYC 2162 JPSYC 2161	Fundamentals of Neuropsychology				5			5
15	JSPSS 2263	JPSYC 2163	Advanced Data Analysis with SPSS				5			5
16	JPSYC 3160	JPSYC 2163	Statistics for Social Sciences					5		5
17	JPSYC 3161	JPSYC 2160	Advanced Developmental Psychology					5		5
18	JPSYC 3162	JPSYC 2161	Introduction to Counseling					5		5
19	JPSYC 3163	JPSYC 2261	Cross-Cultural Psychology					5		5
20	JPSYC 3164	JPSYC 2160 JPSYC 2161	Psychopathology of Childhood & Adolescence					5		5

| № | Subject Code | Precondition | Subject/Module | ECTS credits | | | | | | |
| | | | | I | | II | | III | | |
				Semester I	Semester II	Semester I	Semester II	Semester I	Semester II	
21	JPSYC 3260	JPSYC 2163 JPSYC 3160	Senior Research Seminar						5	5
22	JPSYC 3261	JPSYC 1260 JPSYC 2163	Contemporary Issues in Psychology						5	5
23	JPSYC 3262	JPSYC 2161	Tests and Measurements						5	5
24	JPSYC 3263	JPSYC 2161	Abnormal Psychology						5	5
25	JPSYC 3264	JPSYC 1162	Psychopharmacology						5	5
			Professional Subjects (Optional)				15			15
1.	JPSO 2260	JPSYC 2160	Educational Psychology				5			5
2.	JPSO 2261	JPSYC 1162 JPSYC 1260	Evolutionary psychology				5			5
3.	JPSO 2262	JPSYC 2161	Forensic Psychology				5			5
4.	JPSO 2263	JPSYC 2161	Health Psychology				5			5
5.	JPSO 2264	JPSYC 2161 JPSYC 2164	Introduction to Psychotherapy				5			5
			Free Component (Optional)		5	5				10
6.	JESP 0001; JITA 0001; JFREN 0001; JGERM 0001	None	Second Foreign Language A1.0		5					5
7.	JESP 0002;	JESP 0001;	Second Foreign Language A1			5				5

№	Subject Code	Precondition	Subject/Module	ECTS credits						
				I		II		III		
				Semester I	Semester II	Semester I	Semester II	Semester I	Semester II	
	JITA 0002; JFREN 0002; JGERM 0002	JITA 0001; JFREN 0001; JGERM 0001								
			Semester	35	40	35	40	25	25	
			Year	75		75		50		