

Syllabus for B.Sc., Psychology (Major & Minor) in consonance with Curriculum framework

w.e.f. AY 2025-26

Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati

Psychology Programme Course Structure

SEM	Core / Elective Course	MAJOR	HRS	CREDITS	TOTAL	MINOR	HRS	CREDITS
I	Core-I	Introduction to Psychology	3+2	3+1=4	8	No		
	Core-II	Bio- Psychology	3+2	3+1=4		No		
II	Core-III	Cognitive Psychology	3+2	3+1=4	8	No		
	Core-IV	Child Psychology	3+2	3+1=4		No		
III	Core-V	Social Psychology	3+2	3+1=4	12	Introduction to Psychology	3+2	3+1=4
	Core-VI	Adolescent Psychology	3+2	3+1=4				
	Core-VII	Psychology of Personality	3+2	3+1=4				
IV	Core-VIII	Abnormal Psychology	3+2	3+1=4	12	Cognitive Psychology	3+2	3+1=4
	Core-IX	Statistics in Psychology	3+2	3+1=4				
	Core-X	Applied Social Psychology	3+2	3+1=4				
V	Core-XI	Psychological Disorders and Treatment	3+2	3+1=4	12	Social Psychology	3+2	3+1=4
	Elective-XII	Counseling Psychology	3+2	3+1=4		Abnormal Psychology	3+2	3+1=4
	Elective-XIII	Industrial and Organizational Psychology	3+2	3+1=4				
VI	Elective-XIV	Educational Psychology	3+2	3+1=4	8	Applied Social Psychology	3+2	3+1=4
	Elective-XV	Health Psychology	3+2	3+1=4		Psychology of Personality	3+2	3+1=4
TOTAL Hours =75 (Theory=45 & Practicals.=30)				Total Credits = 60		Theory=18&Prac.=12=Credits=24 30		

Semester-II Core Course-III: COGNITIVE PSYCHOLOGY (Major)
(Minor Course in Semester-IV)

Hours-3/week

Credits-3

Unit-I: Introduction

- a) Definition, nature and scope of cognitive psychology
- b) History of Cognitive Psychology

Unit-II: Memory and Forgetting

- a) Types of Memory- Iconic, Echoic, Episodic memory; Methods of measuring memory- Recall, Recognition, Relearning or Savings method
- b) Models of memory- Information processing model of memory- LTM and STM,
- c) Forgetting- Causes of forgetting, Methods of improving memory,

Unit-III: Learning

- a) Meaning, Definition and Nature of Learning,
- b) Types of learning- Conditioned Learning-Classical and Operant, trial & error, insight, Observational learning
- c) Efficient methods of learning- Massed vs Spaced, Whole vs Part, Meaningful learning

Unit-IV: Thinking and Reasoning

- a) Definition and Types of thinking, Tools of thinking - Images, Concepts and Language
- b) Reasoning - Problem Solving- Stages of problem solving, Mental set.
- c) Creative Thinking- Definition, Characteristics of creative people, Stages in creative thinking

Unit-V: Intelligence

- a) Definitions and Nature, Measurement of intelligence - Concept of IQ
- b) Classification of Intelligence, Types of intelligence tests
- c) Theories of Intelligence- Spearman's two factor theory, Thurston's theory of Primary Mental Abilities

Practicum: Hours: 2/Week Credits: 1

Any 4 practicum pertaining to the syllabus

1. Span of memory
2. Memory recognition
3. Maze learning
4. RPM
5. Any other relevant experiments

Reference Books

1. Eysenck & Kean-Cognitive Psychology (2014). Psychology Press, New York
2. Solso- Cognitive Psychology (2017). Pearson Education India
3. Atkinson & Hilgard (2003). Introduction to Psychology, Henson Woodworth, 14th Edition.
4. Baron. R.A. psychology (2001). Pearson Educational Inc. New Delhi.

Sri venkateswara University
B.A./B.Sc., Degree Major Programme in Psychology
I year, Semester-I & II
Core Course-I: Introduction to Psychology (Major)
(Effective from the Academic Year 2025-2026)
Model Question Paper

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 75

SECTION-A

Answer any **FIVE** questions

(5X3=15 Marks)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.

SECTION-B

Answer **ALL** questions

(5X12=60 Marks)

11. (a)

Or

(b)

12. (a)

Or

(b)

13. (a)

Or

(b)

14. (a)

Or

(b)

15. (a)

Or

(b)

Note : For the courses from 1 to 15 in UG Psychology Major Programme
The Model question paper is the same as above.

- For the courses from 1 to 6 in UG Psychology Minor Programme
The Model question paper is the same as above.