

COGNITIVE SCIENCE

This interdisciplinary major focuses on the mind and cognition from a variety of perspectives and approaches. The core and elective courses draw from Computer Science, Linguistics, Philosophy, and Psychology. Since this degree includes a wide variety of subjects, students can mold this major to fit their particular interests within Cognitive Science.

BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) GENERAL OVERVIEW

Four core courses:

- Introduction to Psychology
- Statistics
- Cognitive Processes
- Foundations of Cognitive Science

Five elective core courses. Examples include:

- Introduction to Linguistics
- Sensation and Perception
- Introduction to Artificial Intelligence
- Origins and Evolution of Human Behavior
- Child Language Acquisition
- Psycholinguistics
- Neuroeconomics
- Human Judgement and Decision Making
- Language and Law
- Philosophy of Mind

Three elective core courses. Examples include:

- User Experience
- Learning and Memory
- Music, Mind, and the Brain

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Directed Research: Students work directly with a faculty member studying topics such as how physical activities like dance change the brain; how observers segment and make sense of events; and the neural correlates of moral reasoning.

Study Abroad: Students may earn credit toward their major by immersing themselves in linguistics, psychology, and other related fields while taking courses in universities on five continents.

Omega Psi National Honor Society of Cognitive Science: Omega Psi aims to raise awareness and engagement in the field of Cognitive Science through research, networking, and community outreach. The organization connects students, faculty, and professionals for the advancement of the study of Cognitive Science and its related fields. USC's chapter holds networking events, career panels, and professional development opportunities for students