Researchers in this interdisciplinary field seek to understand such mental phenomena as perception, thought, memory, the acquisition and use of language, learning, concept formation, and consciousness. Some investigators focus on relations between brain structures and behavior, some work with computer simulation, some use experimental methodology, and others work at more abstract theoretical levels.

Bachelor’s Program

- Bachelor of Arts (BA) Degree with a Major in Cognitive Sciences
  (ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/social-sciences/cognitive-sciences/cognitive-sciences-ba)

Cognitive Sciences does not currently offer an academic program at the graduate level.

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Cognitive Sciences (CSCI)

CSCI 390 - SUPERVISED RESEARCH IN COGNITIVE SCIENCES
Short Title: SUPERV RESRCH COGNITIVE SCI
Department: Cognitive Sciences
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Research
Credit Hours: 1-3
Restrictions: Graduate level students may not enroll.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: Supervised research on topics relevant to the cognitive sciences. Limited to majors in Cognitive Sciences. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.

CSCI 481 - HONORS PROJECT
Short Title: HONORS PROJECT
Department: Cognitive Sciences
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Research
Credit Hours: 1-3
Restrictions: Graduate level students may not enroll.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: Independent directed research toward preparation of an undergraduate honors project or thesis. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.

Description and Code Legend
Note: Internally, the university uses the following descriptions, codes, and abbreviations for this academic program. The following is a quick reference:

Course Catalog/Schedule
- Course offerings/subject code: CSCI

Program Description and Code
- Cognitive Sciences: CSCI
Undergraduate Degree Description and Code
• Bachelor of Arts degree: BA

Undergraduate Major Description and Code
• Major in Cognitive Sciences: CSCI