

PSYCHOLOGY – ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE FOR TRANSFER

Top Code:

2001.00

Psychology is the scientific study of human and animal behavior and mental processes, including cognition, emotion, sensation, perception, and interaction. In pursuing the Associate in Arts in Psychology for Transfer Degree, students acquire skills in research, information gathering, and analytic thinking. Students majoring in psychology develop their critical thinking, problem solving, and written and verbal communication skills. As psychology majors, students have learning opportunities that are relevant to many types of careers, including business, education, government, nonprofit organizations, and within health and human services, etc.

Associate Degree for Transfer Requirements

- 60 semester or 90 quarter CSU-transferable units.
- Completion of the California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC); or students with rights to former general education patterns can complete California State University-General Education-Breadth pattern (CSU GE-Breadth) or the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC-CSU) pattern.
- A minimum of 18 semester or 27 quarter units in the major or area of emphasis as determined by the community college district.
- Obtainment of a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
- All courses in the major must be completed with a grade of "C" or better, or P if the course is graded on a P/NP basis.

PLEASE NOTE: The courses that universities and colleges require for transfer vary. *When selecting courses for transfer purposes, students should consult with an Academic Counselor to determine the particular transfer requirements of specific institutions.*

Program Outcomes

- Applying basic terms, facts, principles, and theories, demonstrate the understanding of behavior and cognitive processes, drawing from historically important, relevant cross-cultural, and contemporary perspectives, including biological, cognitive, behavioral, psychodynamic, and socio-cultural approaches.
- Compare and distinguish between scientific and non-scientific approaches to the study of behavior, and evaluate the strength of evidence offered in support of a given hypothesis, theory or conclusion, using terminology and elements of the scientific method.
- Research and apply psychological concepts and theories to scientific and/or popular media in a written or oral report given a topic in psychology.
- Explain ethical principles in psychological research and practice in an increasingly diverse world.

- Explain career alternatives within the field of psychology, and an awareness of how a background in psychology relates to various careers outside of psychology, toward making informed career choices.

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Code	Title	Units
REQUIRED CORE		
PSYC C1000	INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY	3
	or PSYC C1000 INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY - HONORS	
PSYC 005	RESEARCH METHODS IN PSYCHOLOGY	4
STAT 018	STATISTICS FOR BEHAVIORAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES	4
	or STAT 015 STATISTICS FOR BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS	
	or STAT C1000 INTRODUCTION TO STATISTICS	
	or STAT C1000I INTRODUCTION TO STATISTICS - HONORS	
LIST A - SELECT ONE		3-4
PSYC 002	INTRODUCTORY BIOLOGICAL PSYCHOLOGY	
BIOL 003	HUMAN BIOLOGY	
BIOL 011	INTRODUCTION TO BIOLOGY WITH LAB	
	or BIOL 011I INTRODUCTION TO BIOLOGY WITH LAB - HONORS	
LIST B - SELECT ONE COURSE OR ANY COURSE NOT USED IN LIST A		3
PSYC 003	PSYCHOLOGICAL DISORDERS	
PSYC 021	DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY: THE CHILD	
	or PSYC 021I HONORS DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY: THE CHILD	
PSYC 022	DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY: THE ADULT	
PSYC 024	LIFESPAN DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY	
LIST C - SELECT ONE COURSE OR ANY COURSE NOT USED IN LIST A OR B		3
PSYC 023	SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY	
PSYC 025	HUMAN SEXUALITY	
PSYC 062	AFRICAN AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGY	
	or ETH 062 AFRICAN AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGY	
PSYC 072	PSYCHOLOGY OF THE ASIAN AMERICAN	
	or ETH 072 PSYCHOLOGY OF THE ASIAN AMERICAN	
PSYC 082	CHICANO/A PSYCHOLOGY	
	or ETH 082 CHICANO/A PSYCHOLOGY	
Required Subtotal		20-21
Cal-GETC ¹		34
Transferable Electives (as needed to reach 60 transferable units)		
Degree Total		60

¹ Students with rights to former general education patterns are able to use the CSU GE or IGETC-CSU in lieu of Cal-GETC to complete the general education requirement of this degree. Students should consult with an Academic Counselor to help determine which general education pattern to complete.

General Education Requirements for the Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer

- General Information (<https://curriculum.pasadena.edu/academic-programs-leading-degree-certificate/>)
- Cal-GETC (<https://curriculum.pasadena.edu/degree-certificate-requirements/#calgetctext>)
- Students with rights to the former general education patterns can complete IGETC-CSU or CSU GE in lieu of Cal-GETC. Students should consult with an Academic Counselor to determine which general education pattern to complete and may refer to an appropriate archived College Catalog (<https://curriculum.pasadena.edu/previous-catalogs/>) or www.assist.org (<https://www.assist.org/>) for more information.

Visit the Program Mapper (<https://pasadena-city.programmapper.ws/academics/interest-clusters/679da697-6b16-49ad-b2d5-fd769f23be0d/programs/0738deec-fc06-b5e1-ef31-2e8334d39139>) for a suggested sequence of courses.