

PSYCHOLOGY (AA-T DEGREE A0324)

Humanities and Social Sciences Division Degree A0324

The Associate in Arts in Psychology for Transfer introduces students to the psychological principles and methodologies used in the scientific study of mental processes and behaviors. Students will acquire the foundational knowledge necessary to pursue post-secondary degrees in psychology and a variety of specialization in the field. The goals of this degree are to prepare students to identify research and statistical methods appropriate to psychology, to compare and contrast the major theoretical perspectives in psychology, and synthesize the relationships between biological and behavioral functions.

To earn an associate degree for transfer, a student must complete 60 semester units that are eligible for transfer to CSU that consist of: IGETC pattern or CSU GE breadth and a major of at least 18 units. Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 in all CSU-transferable coursework to receive an associate degree for transfer and all courses in the major must be completed with a C or better. Students earning an associate degree for transfer will not be required to complete any other local graduation requirements.

Required Courses

Course Prefix	Course Name	Units
Core Courses		
PSYC 1A or PSYC 1AH	Introduction to Psychology Introduction to Psychology - Honors	3
PSYC 3 or PSYC 3H	Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology - Honors	4
Choose one of the following:		3-4
PSYC 10	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences	
MATH 110 or MATH 110H	Elementary Statistics Elementary Statistics - Honors	
List A		
Choose one from the following:		3-4
BIOL 1	General Biology	
BIOL 4 or BIOL 4H	Biology for Majors Biology for Majors - Honors	
PSYC 1B	Biological Psychology	
List B		
Choose one course from the following or any course not already selected from List A:		3-4
BIOL 13	Human Reproduction, Development and Aging	
CHLD 11	Child and Adolescent Development	
ENGL 1C or ENGL 1CH	Critical Thinking and Writing Critical Thinking and Writing - Honors	
PHIL 3 or PHIL 3H	Introduction to Logic Introduction to Logic - Honors	
PHIL 8	Critical Thinking	
PHIL 9 or PHIL 9H	Critical Thinking and Writing Critical Thinking and Writing - Honors	
PSYC 14	Developmental Psychology	
SOC 1 or SOC 1H	Introduction to Sociology Introduction to Sociology - Honors	
List C		

Choose one course from the following or any course not already selected from List A or List B: 3

PSYC 5	Psychology of Reasoning and Problem Solving	
PSYC 15	Introduction to Child Psychology	
PSYC 19	Abnormal Psychology	
PSYC 20	Introduction to Social Psychology	
PSYC 25	The Psychology of Women	
PSYC 26	Psychology of Sexuality	
PSYC 33	Psychology for Effective Living	
Total Units for Major		19-22
CSU General Education or IGETC Pattern ¹		39-42
Total Units		60

¹ Courses may be double-counted with either CSU-GE or IGETC.

Psychology Website (<http://www.mtsac.edu/psychology/>)

Program Learning Objectives

Upon successful completion of this program, a student will be able to:

- Matriculate to a Bachelor's program in psychology or a related discipline.
- Describe research and statistical methods appropriate to psychology.
- Compare and contrast major theoretical perspectives in psychology.
- Synthesize relationships between biological and behavioral functions.

Review Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) (<http://www.mtsac.edu/instruction/outcomes/sloinfo.html>) for this program.