Psychology

Psychology AA-T

The Associate in Arts Degree in Psychology for Transfer (AA-T) allows students to begin preparation for careers in social services, business, and government. The degree serves as a launching point for careers in human services, journalism, politics, public relations, business, and public administration.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the program, students will be able to:

- identify various research methods used to study behavior and mental process.
- identify the basic structures of the brain and nervous system.
- apply psychological concepts and theories to everyday situations.
- identify and apply behavior modification techniques.
- identify the major components in a case study and how to use case studies as references when writing a research paper.

Associate Degree for Transfer requirements (pursuant to SB 1440):

- Complete a minimum of 18 semester units in a major or area of emphasis
- Complete IGETC or CSU General Education Breadth requirements
- Complete total of 60 CSU transferable semester units
- Complete all required courses for the major or area of emphasis with a "C" or better
- Obtain an overall minimum grade point average of 2.0

| Course # | Title | Units | | |
|-----------------------|---|-------|--|--|
| Required Core Courses | | | | |
| PSYCH-001. | Introductory Psychology | | | |
| | Abnormal Psychology | | | |
| PSYCH-003. | Developmental Psychology | | | |
| | Personal Psychology | | | |
| | Biological Psychology | | | |
| | Research Methods in Psychology | | | |
| | Introduction to Statistics | | | |
| | Total | 22 | | |
| | CSU-GE or IGETC requirements (allowing double counting) | 32-39 | | |
| | Electives (must be transferable to CSU) | | | |
| | Total | 60 | | |

This is a **recommended sequence** of courses for timely completion of this program. Entry in to transfer level English and math is required to follow this recommended sequence. Please see your counselor to formalize your personalized educational plan or for alternative planning.

| SEMESTER 1 | SEMESTER 2 | SEMESTER 3 | SEMESTER 4 |
|---------------|--------------|------------|--------------------|
| ENG-001A | PSYCH-002 | PSYCH-003 | PSYCH-005 |
| MATH-025 | PSYCH-006 | PSYCH-004 | POLSCI-001 |
| COM-001/004 3 | BIO-010/0153 | SOC-002 | Area C1/2 3 |
| IS-001 | Area C1 3 | Area B1 4 | ELECTIVE 001-049 4 |
| PSYCH-001 | HIST-017A/B3 | Area C2 3 | 13 |
| 16 | 15 | 16 | |

Psychology AA

The Psychology Associate Degree program is designed to provide entry-level skills and knowledge for the student transferring to a four-year institution with a major in psychology. The psychology major requires 18 units in psychology and related fields. Psychology is the scientific study of behavior and mental processes. Course work in this program will provide a better understanding of human behavior in the areas of biological psychology, life-span

development, states of consciousness, learning, memory, intelligence, personality, abnormal behavior, therapy and social psychology. The psychology major prepares students for four-year programs with emphasis in psychology, counseling, child development, educational psychology, education, social work, sociology, human services and nursing.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the program, students will be able to:

- identify various research methods used to study behavior and mental process.
- identify the basic structures of the brain and nervous system.
- apply psychological concepts and theories to everyday situations.
- identify and apply behavior modification techniques.
- identify the major components in a case study and how to use case studies as references when writing a research paper.

Associate Degree Requirements:

- Complete a minimum of 18 semester units in a major or area of emphasis
- Complete Local General Education and District requirements
- Complete elective units for total of 60 degree applicable semester units
- Complete all required courses for the major or area of emphasis, English, and math with a "C" or better
- Obtain an overall minimum grade point average of 2.0

| Course # | Title | Units | | | |
|-----------------------|--|-------|--|--|--|
| Required Core Courses | | | | | |
| PSYCH-001 | General Psychology | | | | |
| PSYCH-002 | Abnormal Psychology | | | | |
| | Developmental Psychology | | | | |
| PSYCH-004 | Personal Psychology | | | | |
| PSYCH-005 | Biological Psychology | | | | |
| | BIO 032, 035, CIS 007, MATH 025, PSYCH 008, SOC 001, 002 | 3-4 | | | |
| | Total | 18-19 | | | |

This is a **recommended sequence** of courses for timely completion of this program. Entry in to transfer level English and math is required to follow this recommended sequence. Please see your counselor to formalize your personalized educational plan or for alternative planning.

| SEMESTER 1 | SEMESTER 2 | SEMESTER 3 | SEMESTER 4 |
|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| ENG-001A | PSYCH-002 | PSYCH-004 | Elective 001-049 15 |
| MATH-025 | PSYCH-003 | PSYCH-005 | 15 |
| IS-001 | Area B3 | PSYCH Elective 3 | |
| PSYCH-001 | Area C3 | ELECTIVE 001-049 6 | |
| ELECTIVE-001-0492 | ELECTIVE 001-049 3 | 15 | |
| 15 | 15 | | |