

# PSYCHOLOGY, AA-T

## 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
<b>Core Courses</b>		
PSYC 1A	Introduction to Psychology	3
or PSYC 1AH	Introduction to Psychology - Honors	
PSYC 3	Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology	4
Choose one of the following:		3-4
PSYC 10	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences	
MATH 110	Elementary Statistics	
MATH 110H	Elementary Statistics - Honors	
<b>List A</b>		
BIOL 1	General Biology	3-4
or PSYC 1B	Biological Psychology	
<b>List B</b>		
Choose one course from the following or any course not already selected from List A:		3-4
PSYC 14	Developmental Psychology	
BIOL 13	Human Reproduction, Development and Aging	
CHLD 10	Child Growth and Lifespan Development	
CHLD 10H	Child Growth and Lifespan Development - Honors	
ENGL 1C	Critical Thinking and Writing	
ENGL 1CH	Critical Thinking and Writing - Honors	
PHIL 3	Introduction to Logic	
PHIL 3H	Introduction to Logic - Honors	
PHIL 8	Critical Thinking	
PHIL 9	Critical Thinking and Writing	
SOC 1	Introduction to Sociology	
SOC 1H	Introduction to Sociology - Honors	
SOC 15	Child Development	

### List C

Choose one course from the following or any course not already selected from List A or List B: 3-4

PSYC 5 Psychology of Reasoning and Problem Solving

PSYC 14 Developmental Psychology

PSYC 15 Introduction to Child Psychology

PSYC 19 Abnormal Psychology

PSYC 25 The Psychology of Women

PSYC 26 Psychology of Sexuality

PSYC 33 Psychology for Effective Living

**Total Units for Major** 19

**CSU General Education or IGETC Pattern**<sup>1</sup> 39-42

**Total Units** 60

<sup>1</sup> 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 \(SLOs\)](#) for this program.