

# PSYCHOLOGY, ASSOCIATE IN ARTS FOR TRANSFER

The Associate in Arts in Psychology for Transfer degree (AA-T in Psychology) program introduces students to psychology as a science, including major perspectives in historical and contemporary psychology, and exposes students to a variety of subfields in psychology. Courses may be taken to satisfy individual or professional needs, to satisfy General Education requirements, or to prepare students to transfer into the CSU system to pursue a baccalaureate degree in Psychology or related major. Students must complete the Associate Degree for Transfer requirements to earn the AA-T degree.

## Learning Outcomes

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

- Explain the major concepts, theoretical perspectives, basic research methods, and empirical findings in psychology.
- Utilize critical and creative thinking, skeptical inquiry, and when possible, the scientific approach to solve problems related to behavior and mental processes.
- Apply psychological principles to personal and social issues.

### Associate in Arts for Transfer Degree Major Requirements

Code	Title	Units
<b>Required Core</b>		
PSYC 1	General Psychology	3
PSYC 10	Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology with Lab	4
PSYC/SOCI 19 or MATH 16	Introduction to Statistics for the Social Sciences Elementary Statistics	4
PSYC 38	Biological Psychology	3
<b>List A</b>		
Select one course from the following:		3
PSYC/SOCI 3	Introduction to Social Psychology	
PSYC 25	Lifespan Development	
<b>List B</b>		
Select one course from the following:		3
Any List A course not already selected		
PSYC 6	Psychology of Women	
PSYC 35	Introduction to Abnormal Psychology	
PSYC 40	Human Sexuality	
<b>TOTAL MAJOR UNITS</b>		<b>20</b>
<b>Additional Requirements</b>		<b>40</b>
Complete CSU General Education or IGETC pattern and electives, if needed, for a total of 60 transferable units.		
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>60</b>

Please refer to the graduation requirements section of the Catalog for information about degree and certificate requirements including Reading and Writing, Mathematics, Information Competency, and General Education requirements.

The model sequence of coursework below is one pathway for students to complete the program. The information below is not an official

educational plan. An MPC Counselor can assist you with creating a personalized education plan based on your academic, career, and personal goals. Visit MPC's Counseling website for more information about Counseling and up-to-date program requirements.

## Suggested 2-Year Course Sequence

Year 1		Units
<b>Fall</b>		
ENGL 1A or ENGL 1AE	College Composition or College Composition: Enhanced	3
PSYC 19 or SOCI 19 or MATH 16	Introduction to Statistics for the Social Sciences or Introduction to Statistics for the Social Sciences or Elementary Statistics	4
PSYC 1	General Psychology	3
IGETC 3B (US-1 Course Recommended)		3
Elective (LIBR 50 or COUN 10 Recommended)		1
<b>Units</b>		<b>14</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ENGL 2	Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking	3
PSYC 10	Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology with Lab	4
PSYC 25 or PSYC 3 or SOCI 3	Lifespan Development or Introduction to Social Psychology or Introduction to Social Psychology	3
IGETC Area 5A		3
IGETC Area 5C		1
Elective (PSYC 2 Recommended)		1
<b>Units</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Year 2</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
SPCH 1 or SPCH 2 or SPCH 3	Public Speaking or Small Group Communication or Interpersonal Communication	3
PSYC 38	Biological Psychology	3
Major List B		3
IGETC Area 3A		3
Electives (CSU/UC Transferable)		3
<b>Units</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
IGETC Area 3A or 3B		3
IGETC Area 4 (US-2 & 3 Course Recommended)		3
IGETC Area 6 (UC Requirement) or Electives (CSU/UC Transferable)		5
IGETC Area 7		3
Electives (CSU/UC Transferable)		2
<b>Units</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>60</b>

MPC transfer programs are designed to enable students to complete lower-division requirements in preparation for transfer to a baccalaureate-granting institution.

The Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act (Senate Bill 1440, codified in California Education Code sections 66746-66749) guarantees

admission to California State University (CSU) system for any community college student who earns an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT), although not to a particular campus or major. Upon transferring to a CSU campus that accepts the Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) or Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T), students will be required to complete no more than 60 upper-division units to earn a bachelor's degree in a same or similar major (unless designated as a "high-unit" major).

The following Associate Degree for Transfer requirements must be completed to earn the AA-T or AS-T degree:

- a. Minimum of 60 CSU-transferable semester units;
- b. Minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in all CSU-transferable coursework (while a minimum of 2.0 is required for admission, some majors may require a higher GPA);
- c. Completion of a minimum of 18 semester units as detailed in the Major Requirements;
- d. Completion of all courses in the major with a grade of C or better (or a "P" if the course is taken on a "Pass/No Pass" basis);
- e. Certified completion of the California State University General Education-Breadth pattern (CSU GE-Breadth) pattern; OR the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) pattern.

All students should consult with a Counselor to discuss transfer pathways and specific university admission requirements. Visit MPC's Counseling website for more information about Counseling services provided by MPC and to connect with a Counselor.