Psychology

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Degree(s)

Transfer:
A.A.-T in Psychology for Transfer
32472 AA.PSYC.OPTBAAT or
32472 AA.PSYC.OPTCAAT
(using General Education Requirements Option B or C)

See: also
A.A. in Liberal Arts - Social & Behavioral Science Emphasis

Non-Transfer:
None

See:
A.A. in Social/Behavioral Sciences

Certificate(s)
None

Employment Concentration Certificate(s)
None

Program Description

The Psychology program at MSJC is designed to develop skills and knowledge consistent with the study of psychology in a multicultural, global context. Successful students will master the writing, reading and research skills required for psychology inquiry and will develop the necessary background to be successful in the major at the university level.

Career Opportunities

Transfer Degree
For BA/BS careers, please see your transfer institution.

Transfer Preparation

MSJC offers a range of course work to prepare students to transfer to four-year colleges and universities. All four-year institutions prescribe their own standards for course evaluation and admissions. Prospective transfer students are advised to research careers, degrees and majors in the Career/Transfer Center, access www.assist.org, review the MSJC catalog and meet with a counselor to expedite their transfer plan.

Learning Outcomes

• Apply the various psychological theories and concepts, including personality theory, consciousness, learning theory, and others, to our own personal and professional lives.

• Develop a tolerance, acceptance, and appreciation of the diversity of others’ thoughts, backgrounds, and self-concepts.

• Explore various topics and concepts within psychology, and integrate these into a whole concept of individuals and groups.

• Apply the learning outcome goals provided by the American Psychological Association.

• Explain different research methods used by psychologists, including strengths and weaknesses of different designs, types of questions addressed by each, and the significance of research to the field of psychology.

Degree

Transfer A.A.-T Degree
Psychology

The Associate in Arts in Psychology for Transfer degree is designed to fulfill the undergraduate requirements for students planning to major or minor in psychology or transfer to the CSU system. The patterns of courses offered for the degree are designed to prepare students to study, understand and to think critically about behavior and mental processes of humans and other organisms under a scientific paradigm. The areas of study encompasses consciousness, cognition, motivation and emotion, human development, the psychobiological foundations of behavior, the nature of psychological disorders, and the application of psychological principles to promote the quality of people's lives founded on sound psychological models and research.

The major requirements for an A.A.-T in Psychology for Transfer to CSU may be met by:

• Completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University.

• The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education-Breadth Requirements.
A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.

Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0. ADT also requires that students must earn a C or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis. A “P” (Pass) grade is acceptable if pass is defined as a grade of C or better.

A.A.-T in Psychology for Transfer (20-22 units)

Required Core (11 units)

- MATH-140 Introduction to Statistics 4 units
- PSYC-101 Introduction to Psychology 3 units
- or
- PSYC-101H Honors Introduction to Psychology 3 units
- PSYC-124 Social Research Methodology with Lab 4 units
- or
- PSYC-124H Honors Social Research Methodology with Lab 4 units

List A: Select one (3-5 units)

- BIOL-100 Human Biology 4 units
- BIOL-115 Topics in Biology 4 units
- or
- BIOL-115H Honors Topics in Biology 4 units
- BIOL-150 General Biology I 4 units
- or
- BIOL-150H Honors General Biology I 4 units
- PSYC-107 Psychobiology 3 units
- or
- PSYC-107H Honors Psychobiology 3 units

List B: Select one (3 units)

Any course from List A not already used above or one of the following courses:
- PSYC-103 Human Development 3 units
- or
- PSYC-103H Honors Human Development 3 units

List C: Select one (3 units)

Any course from List A or B not already used above or one of the following courses:
- PSYC-104 Psychology of Gender 3 units
- or
- PSYC-104H Honors Psychology of Gender 3 units
- CDE-110 Child Development 3 units
- or
- CDE-110H Honors Child Development 3 units

Units for Major

- CSU General Education or IGETC Pattern 37-39
- Possible double counting 16

Total Units for A.A.-T Degree 60 units

This Associate in Arts in Psychology for Transfer degree is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor’s degree in a similar major at a CSU campus. A student completing this degree is guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not a particular campus or major. Students should meet with a counselor to develop an educational plan and receive university admission and transfer requirements.