

PSYCHOLOGY, ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE FOR TRANSFER (AA-T)

Banner Code: 1_AAT_PSYC
Financial Aid Eligible

Students graduating with an Associate in Arts in Psychology for Transfer Degree are well positioned to complete a Bachelor's Degree in a similar major within the California State University system with 60 units of upper-division coursework. Students who complete the Psychology AA-T degree are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not to a particular campus or major. Students must maintain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 in all CSU-transferable coursework. While a minimum 2.0 is required for CSU admission, some majors may require a higher GPA. Please consult a counselor for more information.

The field of psychology addresses the scientific study of behavior and mental processes of humans and animals. Learning more about human behavior through scientific research methods is the focus of many psychologists, while other psychologists apply principles of psychology in areas such as psychotherapy, applied behavioral analysis, and industrial/organizational psychology.

This psychology program offers a comprehensive view of psychology by offering a variety of courses that will support transfer in psychology, while providing a foundational understanding of the discipline of psychology, the methods psychologists use to learn about behavior, and applications of psychological information to the world around us.

Program Outcomes

1. Identify and describe major concepts, theoretical perspectives, empirical findings, and historical trends in psychology.
2. Students will be eligible and prepared for admission (SB 1440 and Education Code 66746) to California State University system schools.

Associate Degree for Transfer Requirements

The following is required for all AA-T or AS-T degrees:

1. Minimum of 60 CSU-transferable semester units.
2. Minimum GPA of at least 2.0 in all CSU transferable coursework. While a minimum of 2.0 is required for admission, some majors require a higher GPA. Consult with a counselor for more information.
3. Completion of a minimum of 18-semester units in the major as detailed in the Degree and Certificate section of this catalog. All courses in the major must be completed with a grade of C (or "P") or better.
4. Certified completion of the California State University General Education-Breadth pattern (CSU General Education Breadth – Option 2 (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/general-education-patterns/associate-degree-general-education-option-2/>)) OR the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC – Option 3 (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/general-education-patterns/associate-degree-general-education-option-3/>)).

5. A minimum of 12 units in residence within the Coast Colleges (Orange Coast College, Golden West College and/or Coastline College).

Course	Title	Units
Required Courses		
<i>Core Courses</i>		
PSYC A100/A100H	Introduction to Psychology	3
PSYC A160 or MATH A160	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences Introduction to Statistics	4
PSYC A280	Introduction to Experimental Methods	4
<i>List A</i>		
PSYC A250	Psychobiology	3
<i>List B</i>		
Select one of the following:		3
PSYC A130	Life Span Developmental Psychology	
PSYC A185	Principles of Psychology	
PSYC A190/ A190H	Cross-Cultural Psychology	
PSYC A260	Social Psychology	
<i>List C</i>		
Select one course from above not yet taken or of the following:		3
PSYC A220	Psychology of Personality	
PSYC A255	Abnormal Psychology	
PSYC A270	Psychology of Learning	
Program Major Units		20
CSU or IGETC for CSU		37-39
Transferable electives as needed to satisfy unit requirement		Varies
Total Units		60

Program Sequence - CSU

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Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
Semester 1		
PSYC A100 or PSYC A100H	Introduction to Psychology or Introduction to Psychology Honors	3
CSU GE AREA A2 - CHOOSE ONE		3
CSU GE AREA C1 - CHOOSE ONE		3
CSU GE AREA B1 with lab - CHOOSE ONE		4
Units		13
Semester 2		
PSYC A160 or MATH A160	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences or Introduction to Statistics	4

Course	Title	Units
HIST A170 or HIST A170H or HIST A175 or HIST A175H	History of the United States to 1876 ¹ or History of the United States to 1876 Honors or History of the United States Since 1876 or History of the United States Since 1876 Honors	3
PSYC A250	Psychobiology	3
CSU GE AREA A3 - CHOOSE ONE		3-4
CSU GE AREA C1 OR C2 - CHOOSE ONE		3
Units		16-17
Year 2		
Semester 1		
PSYC A280	Introduction to Experimental Methods	4
PSCI A180 or PSCI A180H	American Government ¹ or American Government Honors	3
CSU GE AREA A1 - CHOOSE ONE		3
ADT LIST B Course - CHOOSE ONE		3
PSYC A130 or PSYC A185 or PSYC A190/ A190H or PSYC A260	Life Span Developmental Psychology or Principles of Psychology or Cross-Cultural Psychology or Social Psychology	
ADT LIST C Course - CHOOSE ONE		3
PSYC A220 or PSYC A255 or PSYC A270	Psychology of Personality or Abnormal Psychology or Psychology of Learning	
Or select one course from List B not yet taken		
Units		16
Semester 2		
CSU GE AREA E - CHOOSE ONE		3
CSU GE AREA F - CHOOSE ONE		3
ELECTIVE (CSU TRANSFERABLE) ²		9
Units		15
Total Units		60-61

¹ American Ideals Requirement - CSU Graduation Requirement² VARIES TO REACH MINIMUM 60 TRANSFERABLE UNITS

Program Sequence - IGETC

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Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
Semester 1		
PSYC A100 or PSYC A100H	Introduction to Psychology or Introduction to Psychology Honors	3

Course	Title	Units
PSYC A160 or MATH A160	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences or Introduction to Statistics	4
IGETC GE AREA 1A - CHOOSE ONE		3
IGETC GE AREA 3A - CHOOSE ONE		3
Units		13
Semester 2		
PSCI A180 or PSCI A180H	American Government ¹ or American Government Honors	3
HIST A170 or HIST A170H or HIST A175 or HIST A175H	History of the United States to 1876 ² or History of the United States to 1876 Honors or History of the United States Since 1876 or History of the United States Since 1876 Honors	3
PSYC A250	Psychobiology	3
IGETC GE AREA 1B - CHOOSE ONE		3-4
IGETC GE AREA 5A with lab - CHOOSE ONE		4
Units		16-17
Year 2		
Semester 1		
PSYC A280	Introduction to Experimental Methods	4
IGETC GE AREA 4 - CHOOSE ONE		3
IGETC GE AREA 1C - CHOOSE ONE or ELECTIVE (UC TRANSFERABLE) ³		3
ADT LIST B Course - CHOOSE ONE		3
PSYC A130 or PSYC A185 or PSYC A190/ A190H or PSYC A260	Life Span Developmental Psychology or Principles of Psychology or Cross-Cultural Psychology or Social Psychology	
ADT LIST C Course - CHOOSE ONE		3
PSYC A220 or PSYC A255 or PSYC A270	Psychology of Personality or Abnormal Psychology or Psychology of Learning	
Or select one course from List B not yet taken		
Units		16
Semester 2		
IGETC GE AREA 3A OR 3B - CHOOSE ONE		3
LOTE: Foreign Language or ELECTIVE (UC TRANSFERABLE) ⁴		3-5
ELECTIVE (UC TRANSFERABLE) ⁵		9
Units		15-17
Total Units		60-63

¹ American Ideals Requirement - IGETC GE AREA 4 and CSU Graduation Requirement OR take another course from IGETC GE AREA 4² American Ideals Requirement - IGETC GE AREA 3B and CSU Graduation Requirement OR take another course from IGETC GE AREA 3B³ IGETC GE AREA 1C - CSU Requirement⁴ LOTE Requirement for UC only. If met LOTE through HS then take elective units to meet minimum 60 transferable units⁵ VARIES TO REACH MINIMUM 60 TRANSFERABLE UNITS