## **PSYCHOLOGY**

## **PROGRAMS**

- Associate in Arts for Transfer (A.A.-T)
- Associate of Arts (A.A.)

## **DESCRIPTION**

Psychology is the scientific discipline concerned with the study of the mind. It is a natural and a social science concerned with the study of human behavior. As such, it is a broad discipline which involves both pure science and practical application of science to matters of everyday living.

The Psychology program offers two associate degrees: The AA degree (associate degree in psychology) and the AA-T degree (associate degree in psychology for transfer). The AA degree requires calculus along with more psychology courses (as opposed to the AA-T degree), and is recommended for students wishing to transfer to a University of California (UC) campus. The AA-T provides a clearly articulated curriculum for students who wish to transfer to a California State University (CSU) campus. All students should meet with a counselor to determine which program would be most beneficial for their goals and to determine which courses are required for them to transfer to their desired university.

The program provides students with a basic understanding of motivation and behavior that is valuable to many careers in business, government, education, and health care. Becoming a "psychologist," however, requires graduate level training. Psychologists with graduate degrees and professional certificates have a broad range of employment opportunities including clinical practice, research, and teaching. Hartnell College offers lower division transfer courses to meet the requirements for most baccalaureate majors offered by accredited colleges and universities. Psychology and counseling faculty are excellent resources for additional career information.

## **LEADS TO CAREER OPPORTUNITIES SUCH AS:**

- Academic Counselor
- Alcohol/Drug Counselor
- Career Counselor
- Child Psychologist
- Community Relations Director
- Corrections Officer
- Health Educator

- Mental Health Coordinator
- Nonprofit Director
- Psychiatrist
- Social Worker
- Student Affairs Administrator
- Teacher



#### TRANSFER PREPARATION

Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree may differ from those needed to prepare for transfer. Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university should schedule an appointment with a Hartnell College counselor to develop a student education plan before beginning their program.

#### TRANSFER RESOURCES

www.ASSIST.org – CSU and UC Articulation Agreements and Major Search Engine

CSU System Information - <a href="http://www2.calstate.edu">http://www2.calstate.edu</a>

#### **FINANCIAL AID**

Paying for the cost of a college education requires a partnership among parents, students and the college. As the cost of higher education continues to rise we want you to know that Hartnell College offers a full array of financial aid programs, federal loan programs, and fee waivers.

https://www.hartnell.edu/stude nts/fa/net-price-calculator.html

## **ASSOCIATE IN ARTS FOR TRANSFER**

**Program Outcomes**: Upon successful completion of this program a student will be able to:

- compare and contrast the major concepts, theoretical perspectives, empirical findings, and historical trends in psychology.
- evaluate basic research methods in psychology, including research design, data analysis, and interpretation.
- demonstrate critical thinking and skeptical inquiry, and use the scientific approach to solving problems related to behavior and mental processes.
- apply psychological principles to personal, social, and organizational issues.

## **Required Major Courses (14 units)**

	SUBTOTAL: 20 UNITS
PSY-22 – Abnormal Psychology	3.0
PSY-15 – Human Sexuality	3.0
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PSY-6 – Social Psychology	3.0
Major Electives Courses (Complete 3 units)	
PSY-25 – Developmental Psychology –Lifespan	3.0
PSY-14 – Child Psychology	3.0
Major Electives Courses (Complete 3 units)	
PSY-10 – Introduction to Biological Psychology	3.0
PSY-9 – Research Methods in Psychology	4.0
PSY-2 – General Psychology	3.0
MAT-13 – Elementary Statistics	4.0

#### **General Education – Required Courses**

Students must complete one of the following General Education Plans:

CSU-GE (see page 72)

IGETC (see page 74)

39 units
37 units

Students can double-count required courses and courses for General Education

■ Electives (Courses Numbered 1-99) required when degree units plus GE units total fewer than 60.

**TOTAL: 60 UNITS** 



In order to earn this degree, students must complete the Associate Degree for Transfer Requirements:

- Completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:
  - a. The Intersegmental
    General Education
    Transfer Curriculum
    (IGETC) or the
    California State
    University GE –
    Breadth
    Requirements (CSU
    GE-Breadth)
  - b. A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.
- 2. Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0

ADTs include (AA-T) and (AS-T) degrees. The law authorizing these degrees 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 also an acceptable grade for courses in the major if the course is taken on a Pass/No Pass basis.

# **PSYCHOLOGY (AA.PSY)**

## **ASSOCIATE OF ARTS**

**Program Outcomes**: Upon successful completion of this program a student will be able to:

- compare and contrast the major concepts, theoretical perspectives, empirical findings, and historical trends in psychology.
- evaluate basic research methods in psychology, including research design, data analysis, and interpretation.
- demonstrate critical thinking and skeptical inquiry, and use the scientific approach to solving problems related to behavior and mental processes.
- apply psychological principles to personal, social, and organizational issues.

Required Courses (27 units)			
PSY-2 – General Psychology	3.0		
PSY-6 – Social Psychology	3.0		
☐ PSY-9 – Research Methods in Psychology	4.0		
PSY-10 – Introduction to Biological Psychology	3.0		
PSY-12 – Theories of Personality	3.0		
PSY-22 – Abnormal Psychology	3.0		
MAT-2 – Calculus for Managerial, Life and Social Science	4.0		
MAT-13 – Elementary Statistics	4.0		
Major Electives (Complete 3 units)			
PSY-14 – Child Psychology	3.0		
PSY-25 – Developmental Psychology – Lifespan	3.0		
Major Electives (None required)			
PSY-15 – Human Sexuality	3.0		
PSY-42 – Psychology for Women	3.0		
		SUBTOTAL: 30 UNITS	
General Education – Required Courses			
Students must complete one of the following General Education Plans:			
HCCD GE (see page 68) MAT-2 and MAT-13			
☐ Natural Sciences ☐ Social & Behavioral Sciences ☐ Humanities			
Ethnic Groups in the US Language and Rationality			
		CURTOTAL: 24 LINUTS	
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Students can double-count required courses and courses for General Education  Elective (Courses Numbered 1, 100) required when degree units also C5 units total forwards and C6			
■ Electives (Courses Numbered 1-199) required when degree units plus GE units total fewer than 60.			

**TOTAL: 60 UNITS**