Psychology

Associate in Arts

Minimum of 61 credit hours

Psychology is a field that studies the human mind and behavior to better understand and explain interaction of thoughts, emotions and behaviors. In the study of psychology, students at Oklahoma City Community College learn how the human brain organizes and interprets information and how that interpretation affects a person’s perceptions and interactions with others. Students working toward an associate degree in arts in psychology also learn more about the complexities of the learning process, motivation and effects of stress on health in addition to understanding psychological disorders and treatments.

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Course Grouping

Major Courses: (15 credit hours) ** Psychology: PSY 1113; twelve credit hours of psychology electives, which must include PSY 2403 and two of the following: PSY 2123; PSY 2193; or PSY 2743.

General Education Courses: (37 credit hours) English: ENGL 1113; ENGL 1213; History: HIST 1483 or HIST 1493; Political Science: POLSC 1113; *Sciences: General education Biological Science; and Physical Science (at least one must have a lab); Humanities: Six credit hours of humanities electives.; Mathematics: MATH 1513 or MATH 1503 or MATH 2013; Social Sciences: SOC 1113; three credit hours of social science electives.; General Education Electives: Three credit hours of electives.

Life Skills Courses: (1 credit hour) Life Skills: SCL 1001

Support Courses: (8 credit hours) *** Support courses selected from: AHP, ART, BIO, CHEM, CD, COM, CS, ENGL, HIST, HUM, MATH, MGMT, MU, PHIL, PHYS, POLSC, PSY, SOC and any foreign language course. Other courses by approval of program advisor.

Program Notes

Notes: This program is designed for students planning to continue their education at a four-year college or university. See University Parallel/Transfer Programs in the general information section of the catalog.

At least one science course must have a lab component.
Degree Program Course Descriptions

- **Prerequisites:**
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**BIO - Biological Science**
**Prerequisites:**
- 3 Credits  Biological Science

**ENGL 1113 - English Composition I**
**Prerequisites:** ENGL 0203, adequate placement score, or by meeting determined placement measures
- 3 Credits  The student will write well-developed compositions which demonstrate the principles of unity, coherence, and organization and which contain specific details and vivid language. The students will locate library material and incorporate researched materials into compositions.

**ENGL 1213 - English Composition II**
**Prerequisites:** ENGL 1103 or ENGL 1113 taken within the last year, with strong encouragement for immediate continuation.
- 3 Credits  In this advanced writing course, students will create essays that explore and evaluate a variety of issues and perspectives suggested by fiction, poetry, drama, essays, and other types of cultural texts. Students will refine and augment the writing techniques they learned in ENGL 1113 or ENGL 1103 to develop well-reasoned, well-structured arguments in a clear, fluid, and engaging prose style.

**FA SUPPORT - Faculty Approved Support Electives**
**Prerequisites:**
- 3 Credits  Faculty approved support electives

**GEN ED - Gen Ed Elective**
**Prerequisites:**
- 3 Credits  General Education elective

**HIST 1483 - U.S. History to 1877**
**Prerequisites:** ENGL 0203, adequate placement score, or by meeting determined placement measures
- 3 Credits  After analyzing events in American history from 1400 to 1877 in such areas as revolution, geographic and social mobility, political reform, government precedents and war, students will be able to identify patterns of present day mobility, describe governmental operations in their society and help resolve conflict in society based on the student’s search for change, precedents, and conflict in the American past. A general education requirement.

**HIST 1493 - U.S. History 1877 to Present**
**Prerequisites:** ENGL 0203, adequate placement score, or by meeting determined placement measures
- 3 Credits  After analyzing events in American history from 1877 to the present in such areas as geographic and social mobility, political reform, government precedents and war, students will be able to identify patterns of present day mobility, describe governmental operations in their society and help resolve conflict in society based on the student’s search for change, precedents, and conflict in the American past. A general education requirement.

**HUM - Humanities Elective**
**Prerequisites:**
- 3 Credits  Humanities elective

**MATH 1503 - Contemporary Mathematics**
**Prerequisites:** MATH 0403 or adequate placement test score. Pre or Co-requisite ENGL 1113 or ENGL 1103
- 3 Credits  A study of the mathematics needed for critical evaluation of quantitative information and arguments (including logic, critical appraisal of graphs and tables); use of simple mathematical models, and an introduction to elementary statistics. This course satisfies the computer proficiency requirement.

**MATH 1513 - College Algebra for Business, Life Sciences and Social Sciences**
**Prerequisites:** MATH 0403 or adequate math placement test score; ENGL 0203, adequate placement score, or by meeting determined placement measures
- 3 Credits  The student will demonstrate an understanding of the general concepts of relation and function and specifically of polynomial, exponential, and logarithmic functions; the ability to solve systems of equations by utilizing matrices and determinants; and the ability to solve practical problems using algebra.

**MATH 2013 - Introduction to Statistics**
**Prerequisites:** MATH 0403 or adequate math placement test score; ENGL 0203, adequate placement score, or by meeting determined placement measures
- 3 Credits  The student will solve problems applying the concepts of random sampling, elementary probability, testing hypotheses, descriptive measures, chi-square, regression and correlation, and analysis of variance.

**PHYS - Any Physical Science**
**Prerequisites:**
- 3 Credits  Any Physical Science

**POLSC 1113 - American Federal Government**
**Prerequisites:** ENGL 0203, adequate placement score, or by meeting determined placement measures
- 3 Credits  A study of the principles, structure, processes and functions of the United States federal government.

**PSY 1113 - General Psychology**
**Prerequisites:** ENGL 0203, adequate placement score, or by meeting determined placement measures
- 3 Credits  A survey of the major areas of study in psychology such as motivation, learning, physiology, personality, social psychology, abnormal behavior, perception, memory, cognition/thought, and treatment.

**PSY 2403 - Developmental Psychology**
**Prerequisites:** PSY 1113
- 3 Credits  A theoretical and research-based course that covers social, emotional, physical and cognitive aspects of human development throughout the life-span.

**PSYCH - Psychology Elective**
**Prerequisites:**
- 3 Credits  Psychology elective

**SCL 1001 - Success in College and Life**
**Prerequisites:** ENGL 0106 or adequate reading/writing assessment scores
- 1 Credit  Students will learn best practices for academic, career, and personal success. Students will discover their individual strengths, interests, and values to create a personalized plan; select and utilize resources that are applicable to their growth and success; and engage as active and responsible members of the academic community. This course should be taken during a student’s first semester of college work at Oklahoma City Community College and is a required course in degree plans to satisfy the Life Skills requirement.

**SOC 1113 - Introduction to Sociology**
Prerequisites: ENGL 0203, adequate placement score, or by meeting determined placement measures
3 Credits The student will identify the sociological dimensions of human behavior by analyzing the concepts of society, culture, socialization, institutions, social stratification and social change.

SOC SC - Social Science Elective
Prerequisites:
3 Credits Social Science elective