## **PSYCHOLOGY**

## **Associate of Art / Associate of Science degree**



# **Program and Career Description:**

The Psychology emphasis is a two-year program for students planning to complete a bachelor's degree at a four year school. The qualities that make a good psychologist are also the qualities that make good business managers, health care workers, educators, or researchers. Psychology majors with advanced higher education degrees can teach at the college level. A few examples of career and salary estimates are listed below.

Career	Education	Median Salary
School Psychologist/Counselor	Master's Degree	\$55,900
Clinical Psychologist	Doctoral or Professional Degree	\$67,650
Post-Secondary Education in Psychology	Masters or Doctoral Degree	\$68,020

Career and salary information taken from *www.bls.gov*. Check out this web site for additional information about education requirements and preferred work styles and abilities for these careers. Salaries are not guaranteed.

#### **Transfer Options**

This program is a Tennessee Transfer Pathway (TTP) major. A student who completes the associates degree in this major is guaranteed that all required community college courses will be accepted in this major at the transfer institution. To see which four-year institutions offer this TTP major and guarantees a seamless transfer, visit the Tennessee Transfer Pathway website at www.tntransferpathway.org.

Articulation agreements exist between other private and non-TN public institutions. These agreements are available at www.columbiastate.edu/admissions/transfer-information.



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Major in Tennessee Transfer Pathway with Emphasis in Psychology (A.A., A.S.)

#### **Program Requirements**

Students may be required to take additional Learning Support courses.

Communications Requirement ENGL 1010, 1020 SPCH 1010 or SPCH 1030

History Requirement (Take 2 courses) HIST 1110, 1120, 2010, 2020, 2030

Humanities/Fine Arts (Take 3 courses -- one must be a literature course)
ART 1030
ARTH 2010, 2020
ENGL 2015, 2440

HUM 1130, 1131 MUS 1030

PHIL 1030, 2030, 2033

**THEA 1030** 

Literature Options: ENGL 2130, 2230, 2310, 2320, 2920

Natural Sciences Requirement

BIOL 1110, 1120

Mathematics Requirement

MATH 1530

Social/Behavioral Sciences (Take 2 courses - one must be

PSYC 1030) ANTH 1200, 1300

COMM 1010

ECON 2010, 2020 GEOG 2010

PHED 2120 POL 201

PSYC 1501, 2010

PSYC 2130 (can not be used more than once to satisfy

program requirements) SOCI 1010, 1020, 2010

Major Required Courses

**COLS 101** 

Two of the following Psychology courses\*

PSYC 2110 (offered Fall only)

PSYC 2120 (offered Spring only)

**PSYC 2130** 

Electives\*\*

\*Students should consult the catalog and academic advisor of the institution to which they wish to transfer to determine which of these courses best meets baccalaureate requirements.

\*\*Note: An elective can be any college-level course.

If you have completed TN eCampus courses, run a degree audit from the student tab in myChargerNet to determine how these courses apply to this program.

### Sample Academic Plan

#### First Year - Fall Semester

ENGL 1010	3 3 3 3 1 <b>16</b>
ENGL 1020 Composition II  SPCH 1010 Fundamentals of Speech Communication of SPCH 1030 Argumentation and Debate  Social/Behavioral Science History Requirement Humanities/Fine Arts  Second Year – Fall Semester	3 3 3 3 15
Literature Requirement Electives** BIOL 1110 General Biology I Humanities/Fine Arts PSYC Elective*  Second Year – Spring Semester	3 4 3 3 <b>16</b>
BIOL 1120 General Biology IIPSYC Elective* Electives**	4 3 6 <b>13</b>

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 60

#### **Requirements for Graduation include:**

- earning 25% of total program credits in residence at Columbia State.
- cumulative GPA must be 2.0.
- taking the Exit Exam.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Students pursuing the A.A. degree must complete 6 semester hours of the SAME foreign language.