

Liberal Arts: Humanities and Social Science (Psychology)



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Program Description

Psychology seeks to better understand human sensation, perception and behavior with an eye toward assisting individuals facing mental and behavioral challenges. The Registered Track in Psychology provides a thorough foundation in disciplinary concepts and methods, preparing a student to transfer directly into upper division coursework to complete a bachelor's degree at a four-year institution. Psychology is a flexible major with broad application to many fields and students may take their studies further and pursue careers in mental health, education, business and community agencies.

For more information, visit the [SUNY Transfer Path](#) website.

This degree has been approved by SUNY and NYS Education Department for online distance learning delivery. This does not mean that SUNY Orange offers every course in the program online; however, many are offered in this format. Please check the current credit course schedule for online DL virtual course listings offered each semester.

Program Outcomes

Upon graduating with a Liberal Arts: Humanities and Social Science degree, students will:

- demonstrate foundational knowledge of and an appreciation for the cultural, social, and natural worlds
- recognize the diversity of human experience, values, and perspectives
- demonstrate an understanding of the forms of artistic expression and their creative processes
- apply critical thinking and systematic reasoning skills.
- demonstrate information management, quantitative skills, and an understanding of the role of empirical measurement
- use effective oral and written communication skills
- transfer to, and succeed at, an upper-level institution

Admission Criteria

Admission to this program requires that students be high school graduates or have high school equivalency diplomas (HSEs). If students are not high school graduates, they may be eligible for admission to the College's 24 Credit Hour Program. If students are home schooled, they may be eligible for admission.

Transfer Options

SUNY Orange has special relationships with upper-level colleges and universities for transfer. These transfer institutions include:

- four-year institutions in the State University of New York (SUNY) system
- private NYS and national four-year institutions

To provide for a smooth transfer, students should consult with both their academic advisors and the potential transfer institutions for academic course selection and guidance as soon as possible.

Your Career Coach

The Associate in Arts degree program serves as a foundation for students who will complete their bachelor's degree at a four-year institution. They may then pursue careers in a number of areas. In addition, successful completion of a bachelor's degree can also lead to continued study on the graduate level.

[Explore careers with Career Coach](#)

Psychology Track Gateway Courses:

- Gateway courses: PSY 111
- Key courses: PSY 230
- Electives: PSY 220, PSY 221, PSY 222, PSY 240, PSY 260

Courses above have been recommended by the department to help introduce you to the program (Gateway courses) and guide you in selecting courses that will provide you with the best academic experience (Key courses and suggested Electives).

First Semester

Course #	Course Name	P, C, P/C	Cr
ENG 101	Freshman English 1	P	3
MAT ____	SUNY Math (GE 1)		3
COM 101	Foundations of Communication		3
PSY 111	Introduction to Psychology		3

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Course #	Course Name	P, C, P/C	Cr
HIS__	SUNY History (Cat A) (GE 4)		3
PES 100	Concepts of Physical Wellness		1
	Total Semester Credits		16

Milestones

During this semester, students should:

- Adjust to college-level work
- Learn to manage responsibilities, both in and out of the classroom
- Explore your options using personality and career interest assessments
- Seek involvement in student activities including community and/or department sponsored events and clubs (including psychology and/or sociology club)

Second Semester

Course #	Course Name	P, C, P/C	Cr
ENG 102	Freshman English 2	P	3
_____	SUNY Natural Science (GE 2)		3
Either	Developmental Psychology	P	
PSY 220			
Or	Child Psychology	P	
PSY 221			
Or	Psychology of the Adolescent	P	3
PSY 222			
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology		3
_____	SUNY Restrict Elective (GE 7 or GE 9)		3
PES__	Activity Courses		1
	Total Semester Credits		16

Milestones

During this semester, students should:

- Construct a paper in English or another course to focus on a topic related to the field of psychology
- Introduce yourself and begin working with your faculty advisor to plan transfer/career path and consider career choices

Third Semester

Course #	Course Name	P, C, P/C	Cr
ENG 2__	Advanced English		3
_____	Math/Liberal Arts Science/Computer Science		3
ANT 101	Cultural and Social Anthropology		3
HIS __	SUNY History (Cat D) (GE 5 or 6)		3
PSY 230	Abnormal Psychology	P	3
	Total Semester Credits		15

Milestones

During this semester, students should:

- Communicate with transfer institutions to determine the necessary steps to successfully transfer

Fourth Semester

Course #	Course Name	P, C, P/C	Cr
ENG 2__	Advanced English		3
_____	SUNY Arts (GE 8)		3
PSY 240	Social Psychology	P	3
Either	Elementary Algebra		
MAT 101			
Or	General Elective		3

_____	Liberal Arts Elective		3
	Total Semester Credits		15

Milestones

During this semester, students should:

- Verify and apply for graduation
- Finalize transfer plans

TOTAL DEGREE CREDITS: 62