



WHAT IS PSYCHOLOGY?

Psychology is the scientific study of behavior and mental processes. As a discipline, psychology uses scientific research methodology to understand the physiological, cognitive, and social processes that influence behavior. These methods assist professionals in evaluating behavioral data and solving human problems associated with development over the life span, brain functioning, learning, memory, psychological disorders, and personality.

CAREERS IN PSYCHOLOGY

- Clinical Psychologist
- Research Psychologist
- Therapist
- School Psychologist
- Mental Health & Substance Abuse Counselor

For more Career Resources to help you explore the possibilities, see the other side.

WHAT DEGREE DO I GET AT WWCC?

For transferring to a university to pursue a major in Psychology, you may want to complete an Associate in Arts-DTA at WWCC. Below are recommended courses to prepare you for this major. Check out www.wwcc.edu/associateinarts for specific degree requirements.

RECOMMENDED COURSES

Every university and major may require slightly different prerequisites. It is highly recommended that you speak with a representative at the future institution to identify specific prerequisite coursework or other requirements to be ready for your major (eg-minimum GPA requirements) and work with your advisor to develop an Education Plan including proper courses. The courses listed below are recommended only, completion of these courses does not guarantee admissions to institutions or programs.

COMMUNICATIONS (13 CREDITS REQUIRED)

- ENGL&101-Composition I
- ENGL&102-Composition II
- Select a Communications Course with your Advisor

HUMANITIES (15 CREDITS REQUIRED)

- Select a Literature course with your Advisor
- PHIL131-Introduction to Ethics OR PHIL&115-Critical Thinking
- Select an additional Humanities course other than Literature or Philosophy with your Advisor

NATURAL SCIENCES (15 CREDITS REQUIRED)

- BIOL&160-General Biology OR BIOL&100-Survey of Biology
- CHEM&110-Chemical Concepts w/ Lab
- NUTR&101-Nutrition

The AA degree requires an additional 3 credits for Physical Activity courses, First Year Experience, and a Diversity course for completion.

QUANTITATIVE (5 CREDITS REQUIRED)

- MATH&146-Introduction to Statistics

SOCIAL SCIENCES (15 CREDITS REQUIRED)

- PSYC&100-General Psychology
- SOC&101-Introduction to Sociology
- GWST180-Human Sexuality

ELECTIVES (24 CREDITS REQUIRED)

- PSYC&220-Abnormal Psychology
- PSYC160-Psychology of Criminal Behavior
- PSYC&200-Lifespan Psychology
- PSYC205-Social Psychology
- PSYC207-Psychology of Personality

Important Notes:

While an advisor is available to help research and plan courses, it is the student's responsibility to research and communicate with schools and programs to which they intend to apply to verify prerequisites and requirements as these vary and are subject to change.

SOME SCHOOLS WITH A PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAM:

- Boise State University
- Eastern Washington University
- Washington State University
- Central Washington University
- Lewis~Clark State College
- Eastern Oregon University
- Walla Walla University

This is general guide for planning purposes and does not include specific dates for specific schools; that information must be obtained from your prospective colleges and universities. There are more schools offering a major in Psychology. For more Transfer Tips and Resources including schools with this pathway, see the other side or visit www.wwcc.edu/transfer-center/programs

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CAREER RESOURCES

- American Psychological Association - www.apa.org

For more information and resources, please visit our Career website at: www.wvcc.edu/career-services

TRANSFER TIPS & RESOURCES

Please visit the Transfer Center at www.wvcc.edu/transfer

By the end of the First year or 3rd quarter.....

- ✓ Select a major or area of study and select the appropriate WVCC degree to meet your goals
- ✓ Narrow your potential transfer schools to 3-5 schools
- ✓ Make a list of transfer requirements for your school(s) and major
- ✓ With your advisor, draw up an education plan to plot out the courses for degree completion and major readiness

Other things to do:

- Talk with college representatives that visit WVCC
- Contact an advisor at the transfer institution in which you are interested, make sure your education plan will work for the major
- Visit the campus (if applicable) of your potential transfer school
- Fill out interest cards to receive information from schools
- Apply for TRiO and/or the Honors program if eligible

In the Second Year....

Fall

- ✓ Apply for admissions to your transfer school(s) of choice, (providing copies of official transcripts from all schools you have attended)
- ✓ Contact an advisor at your prospective transfer school
- ✓ Research scholarship eligibility and deadlines, prepare to apply

Winter

- ✓ Complete the FAFSA and additional financial aid material required by your transfer school
- ✓ Complete scholarship applications
- ✓ Start considering housing options at your transfer school
- ✓ Apply for your degree at WVCC

Spring

- ✓ Complete graduation requirements for WVCC
- ✓ Accept/reject university offers
- ✓ Apply for housing (If needed)
- ✓ Request final transcript from WVCC after grades and degree(s) are posted
- ✓ Attend an Orientation session at transfer institution

FALL	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER
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