



Program Map: Psychology

Completion Award
AA Degree, DTA

Program Length
6 Quarters

Program Code
AAPS

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This is the Psychology program map for the Social Sciences & Education Area of Study. This map is intended as a general guide. Please work with your academic advisor regarding your specific goals and transfer requirements.

Suggested Order

Order	Category	Course	Credits
1	Social Sciences 1	PSYC& 100: General Psychology	5
2	Quantitative Skills	MATH& 146: Introduction to Statistics	5
3	College Success / Elective 1	COLL 101: College Success	5
4	Elective 2	PSYC& 220: Abnormal Psychology	5
5	Natural Science 1	Choose one: BIOL&100L: Survey of Biology BOT 100L: Plants of the Pacific Northwest ENVS& 101L: Introduction to Environmental Science GEOL& 101L: Introduction to Physical Geology	5

6	Communication Skills	ENGL& 101: Composition I	5
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30 Credits

7	Elective 3	PSYC& 200: Lifespan Psychology	5
8	Natural Science 2	Choose one: CHEM& 110L: Chemical Concepts with Lab CHEM& 121L: Introduction to Chemistry OCEA& 101: Introduction to Oceanography	5

9	Communications	ENGL&102: Composition II	5
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45 Credits

10	Social Science 2	SOC& 101: Introduction to Sociology	5
11	Humanities 1	Choose one: CMST& 102: Introduction to Mass Media CMST& 210: Interpersonal Communication CMST&220: Public Speaking	5

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12	Natural Science 3	Choose one: ASTR& 100: Survey of Astronomy GEOG 120: Introduction to Physical Geography GEOL& 100: Survey of Earth Science NUTR& 101: Introduction to Human Nutrition	5
13	Elective 4	PSYC 210: Cognitive Psychology	5
14	Social Science 3	Choose one: ECON 101: Introduction to Economics HIST& 126, 127 or 128: World Civilizations I, II, or III POLS& 101: Intro Political Science POLS& 202: American Government	5
15	Humanities 2	Choose one: FILM 100: Art of Film IS 101: Understanding the Humanities IS 102: Comparative Arts IS 103: Women's Voices Arts and Humanities IS 105: Popular Culture IS 107: History of Reason IS 109: Introduction to Indigenous Humanities PHIL& 101: Introduction to Philosophy PHIL 130: Ethics	5
16	Elective 5	PSYC 250: Social Psychology	5
17	Humanities 3	Choose one: ENGL& 244: American Literature I ENGL& 245: American Literature II ENGL 250: Intercultural Literature	5
18	Elective 6	Choose one: C SC 100: Introduction to Computer Science EDUC & 115: Child Development (5 credits) <i>Or other academic elective</i>	5

Total credits required:

90



Social Sciences & Education

Area of Study Outcomes

Communication Competencies

- Students in the Social Sciences will learn to use written, spoken, visual and symbolic methods of communication to explore and explain how social processes operate.
- The Social Sciences emphasize listening to understand as it is an essential element of the communication process.

Quantitative Reasoning

- Use basic numeracy skills to manipulate both qualitative and quantitative data.
- Employ the tools of mathematics to study social processes.
- Recognize relationships—patterns, correlations and causal relationships—in social phenomena.
- Use the scientific method to investigate social phenomena.

Information Competencies

- Recognize and formulate an information need.
- Find, access and retrieve qualitative and quantitative information to understand the nature and outcomes of social processes.
- Evaluate the credibility of information and its source.
- Synthesize and apply qualitative and quantitative information.

Critical Thinking

- Use alternative perspectives—ideas, concepts, theories—to understand social processes.
- Evaluate the scope and limitations of alternative perspectives.
- Apply critical thinking to explore the limits and barriers to understanding.
- Recognize how individual perspectives and values influence critical thinking and the self-reflective process.

Personal and Interpersonal Competencies

- Recognize the importance of accepting ownership for one's own learning.
- Work cooperatively and collaboratively with others.
- Function under conditions of ambiguity, uncertainty, and conflict.
- Understand human interactions in the world using the concepts of inequality, diversity, culture, history, social cognition and political systems.

Career Pathways

By earning a degree or certificate in the area of Social Sciences & Education you'll be on your way to any of the following career opportunities listed below:

- Corrections officer
- Early childhood educator
- Emergency manager
- Historian
- Homeland security specialist
- Human service assistant
- Law enforcement officer
- Political scientist
- Professor
- Pre-school teacher
- Sociologist
- Teacher K-12

Program Notes

Please note that many universities require a foreign language and intermediate algebra (Math 98 at PC) as admissions criteria. Select from three subject areas to fulfill Social Science, Natural Science and Humanities Distribution requirements. Please refer to the AA degree guide for additional information.

Possible additional pre-college classes depending upon placement level: Engl 90 (5 credits) and Math 63/90 (5-10 credits).