PSYCHOLOGY

Associate in Arts

(also available 100% online)

Through the application of scientific reasoning and research, students will understand, predict and effectively address the behavior of individuals and groups. The curriculum in this program provides a foundation for employment in public service or transfer to a four-year institution.

Upon completion the graduate will be able to:
- Describe major concepts, principles and themes that explain human thought and behavior
- Utilize behavioral science reasoning to understand, predict and effectively address the behavior of individuals and groups
- Apply foundational theory and conceptual frameworks to social issues through analysis and research
- Develop strategies for effective communication in professional settings
- Understand the complexity of socio-cultural diversity and social inequality in the inquiry and analysis of psychological issues

Graduates may pursue careers in the following fields:

- Behavioral Health
- Community or Home Health
- Corrections
- Family Advocacy
- Youth Counseling

Degree Requirements

Semester I		Credit Hours
SSC 100	Public Service and Social Sciences Seminar	1
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
ENG ___*	Select one of the following:	
	ENG 101 College Writing	3
	ENG 105 College Writing Seminar	(4)
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
MAT ___*	MAT 115 or higher	3
COM 100	Public Speaking	3

Semester II		
PSY 111	Developmental Psychology	3
SOC 200	Issues in Diversity	3
PSY 201	Social Psychology	3
PHI 111	Introduction to Ethics	3
MAT 135	Statistics	3

Semester III		
SSC 200	Research Methods for Social Sciences	3
PSY 114	Child Development	3
PSY 208	Theories of Personality	3
SOC 220	Sociology of Family	3
— —	Elective: Humanities	3

Semester IV		
JUS 232	Criminal Psychology	3
PSY 260	Abnormal Psychology	3
— —	Elective: Open	6
	Recommended:	
	SOC 203 Crime and Social Policy	
	JUS 205 Crisis Intervention for Justice Studies	
	JUS 252 Offender Rehabilitation	
	PSY 210 Behavior Analysis and Management	
	PSY 212 Abuse, Trauma and Recovery	
— —	Elective: Science with Lab	4

Total Credit Hour Requirements	**62-63**

Placement determined by assessment test scores and/or prior college coursework