

# Psychology Transfer Pathway

Winona and Red Wing Campus

## OVERVIEW

**Psychology is the scientific study of how people behave, think, and feel. Begin your education in psychology at Southeast.**

Why do people behave in a certain way? What forces drive human relationships? How does the brain process information? If you are curious about questions like these, the study of psychology may be the educational pathway for you.

At Minnesota State College Southeast in Red Wing and Winona, the Psychology Transfer Pathway A.A. degree offers students a powerful option: the opportunity to complete an associate degree designed for direct transfer to designated Psychology bachelor degree programs at Minnesota State universities.

After graduating with the Psychology Transfer Pathway A.A. degree, you can transfer in as a junior and complete your bachelor's degree by earning 60 additional credits at one of the seven Minnesota State universities (admission requirements, including GPA, apply).

The Psychology Transfer Pathway A.A. degree is the foundation of a well-rounded education with a range of coursework in the liberal arts and sciences, providing the basis for lifelong learning. The insights you gain from this degree will impact your success in any future career, whether in the field of psychology or in business, education, health care, or any other profession.

## MAJORS WITHIN

Psychology Transfer Pathway    AA Degree    60 Credits

Estimated costs for each major including tuition, books and supplies are posted on [southeastmn.edu](https://southeastmn.edu) under Academics > Academic Programs by Degree.

## PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Program graduates will be able to:

1. Describe key concepts and overarching themes in the field of psychology
2. Apply psychological concepts to real and hypothetical scenarios
3. Utilize scientific inquiry to evaluate and interpret basic psychological research
4. Describe the roles of ethics and personal values in the field of psychology
5. Analyze how psychological principles apply to diverse populations
6. Communicate knowledge of psychological principles through various methods, such as verbally, in writing, or through formal presentations



## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The Southeast Psychology Department offers a wide range of courses that focus on psychology as a scientific discipline. Courses include: introduction to psychology, abnormal psychology, lifespan development, social psychology, positive psychology, statistics, psychology of human sexuality, and more.

Our courses focus on studying human behavior and development in the context of a diverse and rapidly changing world. We use a mix of lecture, discussion, and hands-on activities to encourage students to apply the science of psychology to real-life situations.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Many occupations within the field of psychology require a graduate degree either at the master or doctoral level. These include:

- Clinical/counseling psychologist
- Marriage and family therapist
- Counselor
- Psychometrist
- School psychologist
- Organizational consultant
- Academic researcher
- College professor

Completing the A.A. and bachelors's degree is the first step in this educational process.

## Psychology Pathway - Associate of Arts

### Sample Full-time Program Plan

Please note that this is a sample program schedule. Your schedule may vary depending upon your needs, goals, and course availability.  
Please meet with your advisor to plan your schedule each semester.

Course No.	Course Name	Credits
<b>First Semester (Fall)</b>		
PSYC1110	Introduction to Psychology	3
COMM1228	Interpersonal Communications	3
MATH1230	Introduction to Statistics	3
CHEM1122	Environmental Chem.	3
COMP1150	Computer Apps.	2
INSP 1525	Career and Ed. Planning	1
<b>Semester total</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Second Semester (Spring)</b>		
PSYC 1115	Lifespan Psychology	3
ENGL 1215	College Writing I	3
SPAN 1230	Intro. to Hispanic Cultures	3
SOCS 1110	Intro. to Sociology	3
PSYC	Psychology elective**	3
<b>Semester total</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Third Semester (Fall)</b>		
PSYC 2526	Abnormal Psychology	3
SOCS 1205	Sociology of Family	3
BIOL 1200	Human Biology	4
SOCS 2545	Diversity and Social Change	3
HLTH 1225	Stress Management	2
<b>Semester total</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Fourth Semester Spring</b>		
PSYC 2531	Social Psychology	3
HUMA 1430	Exploring World Cultures	3
HUMA 1125	Moral Problems	3
PSYC	Psychology elective**	3
ENGL 2525	College Writing II	3
<b>Semester total</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Total Required Credits</b>		<b>60</b>

\*\*Select from PSYC 1223, PSYC 2520, PSYC 2522

**Minnesota State College Southeast: PSYCHOLOGY TRANSFER PATHWAY**

(AA: 40 MnTC credits, 4 additional credits, 15 Liberal Arts/Sciences credits, 1 technical credit)

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student ID:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Part I. Gen Eds for Transfer Curriculum Courses					
Prefix	No.	Course Title	Cr.	Gr.	Term
<b>Goal 1: Written and Oral Communications (9 credits)</b>					
ENGL	1215	College Writing I	3		
COMM	1228	Interpersonal Communications	3		
ENGL	2525	College Writing II	3		
<b>Goal 2: Critical Thinking (0-3 credits)</b>					
<b>Goal 3: Natural Science (two courses from two different subjects, 6-8 credits, one course with traditional lab)</b>					
<b>Goal 4: Mathematical/Logical Reasoning (3 credits)</b>					
MATH	1230	Intro. to Statistics	3		
<b>Goal 5: History and Social/Behavioral Sciences (3 courses from at least two subjects, 9 credits)</b>					
PSYC	1110	Intro. to Psychology	3		
<b>Goal 6: Humanities (three courses from at least two subjects, 9 credits)</b>					
<b>Goal 7: Human Diversity (3 credits)</b>					
<b>Goal 8: Global Perspective (3 credits)</b>					
<b>Goal 9: Ethical and Civic Responsibility (3 credits)</b>					
<b>Goal 10: People and the Environment (3 credits)</b>					

Part II. Additional AA Degree Requirements					
<b>Health and Wellness (2 credits)</b>					
<b>Technology/Digital Literacy (2 credits)</b>					

Part III. Elective Courses for AA Degree					
Prefix	No.	Course Title	Cr.	Gr.	Term
<i>Psychology Core (Required)</i>					
PSYC	1115	Lifespan Psychology	3		
PSYC	2526	Abnormal Psychology	3		
PSYC	2531	Social Psychology	3		
<i>Career Focus (Required)</i>					
INSP	1525	Career and Ed. Planning	1		
<i>Restricted Electives (Choose two of the following:)</i>					
PSYC	1223	Death and Dying	3		
PSYC	2520	Human Sexuality	3		
PSYC	2522	Positive Psychology	3		
Elective Required Credits (16 credits)					

Be sure your AA Degree Plan is approved by your advisor. Changes may be made to this plan by meeting with your advisor.

AA Degree Advisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

AA Degree Checklist:

- I have received 33% or more of the program credits from MSC Southeast.
- I have earned a 2.0 or higher GPA.
- Overall GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Transfer GPA: \_\_\_\_\_
- My AA plan has been approved by my AA Degree Advisor, including:
  - I have met the transfer goals requirement (Part I).
  - I have met the additional requirements (Part II).
  - I have met the elective credit requirements (Part III).
- Once this plan has been successfully completed, you are ready to apply for graduation. See your AA Degree Advisor.