***Psychology:*** *Associate in Arts for Transfer*

*Focus: Therapy & Counseling – CSU*

Topics of interest and study: Human development, consciousness, memory, psychological disorders, positive psychology, learning theory, personality development, personal growth, neuroscience, motivation, social psychology, research methodology, behavioral statistics, and others. The patterns of courses offered for the degree are designed to prepare students to study, understand and to think critically about behavior and mental processes of humans and other organisms under a scientific paradigm.

***Please see a Pathways Counselor:*** Create an education plan customized to meet your needs. [Contact a Counselor](https://www.msjc.edu/hub/)

Transfer Majors/Award Focus

* Psychology, A.A.-T CSU, Focus: Business & Industry, Education & Advocacy, Neuroscience, Therapy & Counseling
* Psychology, A.A.-T UCR/UCLA

GE Pattern/Units

* GE Pattern: Option B
* Total Units: 61-62

**Program maps** indicate the major coursework and recommended general education courses to fulfill your degree in 2 years (approximately 15 units/semester or 30 units/year). If you are a part-time student, start Semester 1 courses and follow the course sequence. Some of the courses listed may be substituted by another course. Please view these options in the official course [catalog](https://catalog.msjc.edu/instructional-programs/).

***Semester 1 16 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | ENGL-101 | College Composition | 4 |
| c | PSYC-101 | Introduction to Psychology | 3 |
| c | PSYC-102 | Personal Growth | 3 |
| c | COMM-103 | Interpersonal Communication | 3 |
| c | ART-104 or  DAN-100 or  MUS-108 | World Art or  History and Appreciation of Dance or  History of Jazz and Blues | 3 |

***Semester 2 16 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | ENGL-103 | Critical Thinking and Writing | 3 |
| c | PSYC-121 | Statistics for Behavioral Sciences | 3 |
| c | BIOL-100 or  BIOL-115 | Human Biology or  Topics in Biology | 4 |
| c | HIST-111 | U.S. History to 1877 | 3 |
| c | PSYC-108 | Abnormal Psychology | 3 |

Career Options

Psychology Teachers, Postsecondary (D)

Social & Human Service Assistant (B, M)

Clinical Psychologists (D)

Psychiatric Technician (SM, B, M)

Find more careers: [msjc.emsicc.com](http://msjc.emsicc.com)

Required Education: SM: some college; C: Certificate; A: Associate, B: Bachelor’s, M: Master’s; D: Doctorate

Financial Aid

Financial aid is determined by the number of credit hours you take in a semester. Maximize your financial aid by taking 12-15 units per semester.

***Semester 3 14 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | PSYC-124 | Social Research Methodology with Lab | 4 |
| c | ENVS-100 | Humans and Scientific Inquiry | 3 |
| c | PS-101 | Introduction to American Government and Politics | 3 |
| c | SPAN-101 or  FREN-101 or  ASL-100 | Elementary Spanish I or  Elementary French I or  American Sign Language I | 4 |

***Semester 4 15-16 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | PSYC-103 or  PSYC-107 | Human Development or  Psychobiology | 3 |
| c | COMM-106 or  COMM-108 | Small Group Communication or  Intercultural Communication | 3 |
| c | PS-103/ETHS-103 or  HIST-160/ETHS-160 | Ethnic Politics in America or  Black History in the American Context | 3 |
| c | PSYC-104 or  PSYC-105 | Psychology of Gender or  Social Psychology | 3 |
| c | PHIL-105 or  SPAN-102 or FREN-102 or  ASL-101 | Introduction to Ethics or  Elementary Spanish II or  Elementary French II or  American Sign Language II | 3 or 4 |

Notes***:***

**Language Requirement**: Some CSU's require the equivalency of an intermediate language proficiency for graduation. Please see a counselor for more detail regarding specific CSU major and graduation requirements.

Work Experience

Sign up for a special project or internship opportunity. Gain [work experience](https://msjc.edu/careereducation/cwee/index.html) and earn credits.