

# Norfolk State University Bachelor of Arts in Psychology

## Associate Transfer Degree Plan in Psychology

### COURSE REQUIREMENTS

| Complete at VCCS   |              |         |   |   | Complete at Norfolk State University                 |         |  |
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| BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT                                      | SATISFIED BY |         |   |   | BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT                        |         |  |
| Course   | Credits      | Gen ED* | CC Course   | Notes   | Course   | Credits | Notes  |
| SEM 101 (1 credit), SEM 102 (1 credit), and SEM 201 (1 credit)     | 1-2          |         | SDV 100 College Success Skills or 101 Orientation | The Spartan Seminar Series will be waived for students who transfer with an associate degree or transfer 60 or more credits. Students will receive 1 or 2 credits based on the number of credits transferred from the VCCS course. Students may need to take an additional 1 or 2 credits at NSU to meet the 120-credit-hour minimum. | ENG 383, MUS 234, HIS 335, HIS 336, HRP 320, HIS 371 | 6       | Two courses from this group are required to satisfy the University's cultural perspectives requirement and are considered upper-division gen. ed. courses. |
| ENG 101  | 3            | PUA     | ENG 111 College Comp I                            |   | PSY 381A   | 3       |  |
| ENG 102  | 3            | UA      | ENG 112 College Comp II or 113 Tech-Prof Writing  |   | Psychology Electives                                 | 24      |  |
| Fulfills gen ed requirement  | 3            | PUA     | Any UCGS Art or Humanities                        | These two courses must come from two different categories.  | PSY 360  | 3       |  |
| Fulfills gen ed requirement, such as ENG 207 or FIA 201 or MUS 301 | 3            | UA      | Any UCGS Art, Humanities, or Literature           |   | PSY 392  | 1       |  |
| PSY 210  | 3            | PUA     | PSY 200 Introduction to Psychology                |   | PSY 492  | 3       |  |
| HIS 101 or HIS 103   | 3            | PUA     | Any UCGS History                                  |   | PSY 495  | 3       |  |
| BIO 100 and BIO 100L   | 4            | PUA     | BIO 101 Introduction to Biology                   |   | CSC 150 and CSC 200                                  | 6       |  |

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|--|-------|-----|---|--|--|---|---|
| MTH 103  | 3     | PUA | MTH 155 or MTH 245  |  | BIO 105 Human Biology or SCI 101 Physical Science                          | 3 |   |
| Fulfills gen ed requirement, such as SOC 101 or BUS 175 or ECN 200 | 3     | UA  | Any UCGS Social & Behavioral Science (not History)  |  | ECN 200, SOC 101, SOC 237, POS 315 or HIS 100, HIS 101, HIS 102 or HIS 103 | 3 |   |
| Fulfills gen ed requirement, such as ENG 285                       | 3     | UA  | CST 100 or CST 110  |  | Free Electives   | 5 |   |
| PSY 270  | 3-4   |     | PSY 210 Statistics for Behavioral Science or MTH 261 Applied Calculus I   | For PSY 210, PSY 200 is a prerequisite; MTH 245 is a corequisite | PED 100 and HED 100  | 3 | Students may take these courses at VCCS if possible.          |
| PSY 280  | 3     |     | PSY 215 Psychopathology   |  |  |   | Additional credits, if needed to meet 120 credit hour minimum |
| PSY 211  | 3     |     | PSY 216 Social Psychology or<br>PSY 219 Cross-Cultural Psychology or<br>PSY 225 Theories of Personality or<br>PSY 230 Development Psychology  |  |  |   |   |
| PSY XXX<br>(Psychology Elective)                                   | 15-18 |     | Courses from previous row<br>PSY 211 Research Methods (PSY 210 is prereq) or<br>BIO 141 & BIO 142 or Anat & Phys I and II or<br>MTH 154 Quant Reasoning or MTH 161 PreCalc I or<br>MTH 167 Precalc with Trig (prereq to MTH 245 or MTH 261) |  |  |   |   |
| CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: 60-62  |       |     |   |  | CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 60  |   |   |

\* **A** = Completion of the Associate Degree satisfies this General Education Requirement. **U** = This course satisfies a Uniform Certificate of General Studies requirement.  
**P** = This course satisfies a Passport requirement.

## TRANSFER GUIDANCE

### Guaranteed Admission Agreement between NSU and the VCCS

This degree program is covered by NSU's Guaranteed Admission Agreement.

By meeting the following criteria, you are guaranteed admission to the B.A. in Psychology:

- Earn a transfer associate degree based on the Psychology curriculum.
- Earn a minimum of 2.0 GPA for the associate degree.
- A maximum of 63 credits will transfer and apply toward a bachelor's degree requirements.
- Submit your transfer application for admission by March 1, including an unofficial transcript.
- Request an official transcript to be sent upon completing the associate degree.
- Transfer within four years of first enrolling at the community college and within one year of completing the appropriate associate degree.

Please visit the [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org) portal to find course requirements for different majors (Transfer Tools) and Transfer Guides that outline course requirements for specific majors (Resource Center).

### IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- **University Transfer Center:** Transfer Admissions & Services <https://www.nsu.edu/transfer>
- **Register Intent to Transfer:** By the end of your first semester at the Community College through College Connect at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org)
- **Admission Application:** By May 1 at <https://www.nsu.edu/Admissions-Aid/Apply-Online>
- **Financial Aid:** <https://www.nsu.edu/tuition-and-financial-aid>
- **FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid:** By October 1 at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>

### WHAT SHOULD I CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING COURSES?

- Students are advised to complete a behavioral statistics course before transfer or within the first two semesters after transfer.
- Create a schedule for all required courses, pay attention to prerequisites and when courses are offered, complete your first math and English courses in your first year. For help, see Transfer Steps and Resource Center at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org).
- Connect with an advisor at your community college and Norfolk State University within your first year. College Connect available in your account at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org).

### IS THIS DEGREE RIGHT FOR ME?

- This program requires a three-credit-hour Practicum experience before graduating.
- Grades of C or higher are required in all Psychology courses that contribute to the major.

### WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON MY DEGREE OF WORK I HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED?

- **Associate Transfer Degree Completion:** Completion of a transfer-level associate degree satisfies all lower-division general education requirements.
- **Dual Enrollment – Completion of Associate Degree in HS:** The agreement of guaranteed admission into the college applies to students earning an associate degree concurrent with high school who have completed a transfer-approved degree with a minimum of 45 credits completed through a Virginia Community College, with a GPA of 2.0 or higher and that meets all requirements outlined in the Transfer Guide.
- **Credit for Prior Learning:** All course credits that were awarded by the two-year institution for equivalent prior learning experiences (IB, AP, CLEP, Military, etc.) will transfer based on the transfer equivalence for the course awarded.

- **Catalog Year:** Catalog year determined by first semester of attendance at the community college post high school graduation. For students maintaining continuous enrollment, this entitlement will be in effect for a minimum of four years from the time of the student's first enrollment at the two-year institution. Students must enroll at the four-year institution within one year of completing their associate degree.

### IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

- NSU has been ranked by U.S. News and World Report as one of the Top 20 HBCUs in the nation.
- It is close to downtown Norfolk and within driving distance of Virginia Beach.
- On-campus housing is available. Weekend/evening/summer courses are available, and online degree options are available for several programs.
- NSU is a military-friendly institution. Learn more about our college at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org).

### DID YOU KNOW THAT ...

- Completing your Associate transfer degree post-high school satisfies all lower division general education requirements and increases the chance of completing your bachelor's degree?
- Exceeding 3 years or 90 credits at your community college means you may have exhausted your financial aid at that college and have limited your future financial aid at NSU?

### WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

- A Bachelor's Degree in Psychology positions you to work in a wide variety of professions. Our graduates are extremely versatile and succeed in many fields. Emerging fields in psychology include Cyber Psychology, Clinical Psychology, Child Psychology, and Positive Psychology.
- Explore possible careers, salaries, and job outlook at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org).

### PROGRAM SUCCESSES & HIGHLIGHTS

- Our program is part of the [Virginia Consortium Program in Clinical Psychology \(VCPCP\)](#) Ph.D. program and houses the first [M.S. CyberPsychology](#) degree program in the United States.
- Our curriculum is flexible, relevant, and innovative.
- FACE IT: An innovative and interactive program that promotes mental health awareness and seeks to reduce stigma through popular culture, creative expression and student engagement.
- Psychology Institute: An initiative for psychology majors that offers training and experiences to enhance students' competitiveness for masters and doctoral level programs.
- Psi Chi Honor Society: PSI CHI is the international honor society in Psychology. Students with a GPA of 3.0 or higher are encouraged to apply.
- Psychology Club: Explore the practical application of the psychological theories and concepts learned in class.

### WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

- NSU accepts close to 90 percent of students who complete an application.
- The average GPA of students admitted is a 2.9.
- Learn more about applying at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org).

### DO MORE WITH YOUR DEGREE!

- A Minor in CyberPsychology and a Minor in Psychology are available.
- This program offers an M.S. in CyberPsychology.

### OTHER THAN CLASSES, ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS?

- This program requires a three-credit-hour Practicum experience before graduating.