

**NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY**  
**PSYCHOLOGY**  
**Associate in Arts or Associate in Science Degree**  
**Requirements based on NIU's 2013-2014 catalog**

The following is a list of courses that satisfy the **Associate in Arts or Associate in Science Degree** requirements at SVCC as well as the requirements for the Psychology program at NIU. Students transferring without the AA or AS Degree may need to complete different general education courses. NIU offers a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Psychology.

**GENERAL EDUCATION CORE CURRICULUM – 37-45 CREDITS**

**COMMUNICATIONS** **9 CREDITS**

\*ENG 101, \*ENG 103, SPE 131 \*A grade of "C" or higher is required.

**MATHEMATICS** **3-8 CREDITS**

B.A. degree: MAT 240  
 B.S. degree: (Choose one of the following options) MAT 220 & 221 OR MAT 203 & 204 OR MAT 221  
 (See backside for more information)

**HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS** **9 CREDITS**

Select at least one course from *Humanities* and one course from *Fine Arts*.  
 Only one course with the same letter subscript can be used for Humanities/Fine Arts credit.  
 Interdisciplinary courses (HUM prefix) may be used for either category.

**Humanities**

LAN 202A, 252A, 262A; ENG 160, 201, 203, 204, 212, 215B, 225, 226, 227, 228, 230B;  
 PHL 101, 102, 103; ENG 220C, 221C, PHL 104; HUM 150, 210, 211

**Fine Arts**

ART 118, 119, 120, 121D, 122D; MUS 150, 201; SPE 141; HUM 112, HUM 150, 210, 211

**SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES** **9 CREDITS**

PSY 103  
 Select 2 additional courses from at least two disciplines. **Bold** courses can fulfill major requirements.

<b>Anthropology</b>	<b>Human Geography</b>	<b>Psychology</b>
SOC 115, 116	GEO 122	PSY 200, 214, 215
<b>Economics</b>	<b>Political Science</b>	<b>Sociology</b>
ECO 211, 212	GOV 163, 164, 232, 233, 261	SOC 111, 112, 251

**History**

HIS 131, 132, 221, 222, 235, 245, 255, 265

**LIFE AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES** **7-10 CREDITS**

\*\*See backside to determine appropriate courses for B.A. and B.S. degrees.  
 Select one course from Life Sciences and one course from Physical Sciences.  
 One lab course is required (lab courses are in **bold type**).

**Life Sciences**

BIO **103**, 104, **105**, 108

**Physical Sciences**

CHE 101, 102, **103**, **105**; GSC 105, 106, 115; PHY **175**, 201, 211

**SVCC DEGREE REQUIREMENTS – 4 CREDITS**

**ORIENTATION** **1 CREDIT**

PSY 100 or FYE 101

**PERSONAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT** **3 CREDITS**

ART 101, 113; BIO 120; BUS 237; CIS 109; EDU 105; MUS 106, 131, 133, 135, 137,  
 MUS 139, 140, 155, 160, 215; SPE 145, 161, 232; PED 115 or any other 100 level PED course

**MAJOR FIELD REQUIREMENTS – 15-23 CREDITS**

(See backside for specific major field requirements.)

Electives to total **64 credits**

**64 TOTAL CREDITS**

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON THE BACKSIDE!**

### **Additional Information regarding Major Field Requirements**

Students may transfer in PSY 103 plus 6 additional major elective hours chosen from: PSY 200, 214, 215 and EDU 220. Any additional psychology hours accepted in transfer are applicable toward the 120-semester-hour graduation requirement.

**B.A. majors – Foreign Language Requirement:** Must demonstrate competence in a foreign language equivalent to that attained in 2 years of college instruction (4 semesters) or 4 years of a foreign language with no grade lower than a C in high school.

**B.S. majors –** Must complete one of the following groups:

Group 1

-MAT 220 & 221

-One of the following classes at NIU: CSCI 210, 230, 240 or 250 **OR**

One of the following combinations of classes at SVCC: CIS 150 & 206 & 207

-An additional Statistics course at NIU (STAT 301)

Group 2

-MAT 203 & 204

-One of the following classes at NIU: CSCI 210, 230, 240 or 250 **OR**

One of the following combinations of classes at SVCC: CIS 150 & 206 & 207

-An additional Probability and Statistics course at NIU (STAT 350)

Group 3

-MAT 221

-An additional Statistics class at NIU (STAT 301)

-One year of a science laboratory sequence from the following (or see NIU catalog for alternate options):

BIO 105 & 111 (**OR** BIO 105 & 123 & 131 **OR** BIO 105 & 109 & 110)

CHE 105 & 106

PHY 201 & 202

**NOTE:** Students are still required to complete one Life science and one Physical science course as a SVCC graduation requirement.

**Teacher Educator Licensure:** Students who want to be licensed to teach psychology/social sciences must declare their intention to do so with the office of teacher certification in the Department of History at the earliest possible opportunity. Licensure involves significant requirements in addition to the completion of a degree in psychology, including the minimum requirements for teaching endorsements in Both U.S. history and world history. Contact (815)753-5903 or (815) 753-6576 for more information about teacher licensure/endorsement in Social Science/Psychology.

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Psychology Undergraduate Handbook:

[http://www.niu.edu/psyc/undergrad/Psych\\_Undergrad\\_Handbook.pdf](http://www.niu.edu/psyc/undergrad/Psych_Undergrad_Handbook.pdf)

**STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FINAL COURSE ARTICULATION**