

**Southwestern Illinois College**

**Associate in Arts**

**PSYCHOLOGY**

Completion of an Associate in Arts or Science degree at Southwestern Illinois College fulfills SIUE’s general education requirements, with the exception of an Interdisciplinary Studies course that all students must take during their junior and senior year at SIUE.

This “Transfer Program Guide” is an **example** of proposed curriculum for students to use while completing their associate’s degree. Reading, writing and math placement could alter the course sequencing and transfer date. Therefore students should begin sequencing their reading/writing (if applicable) and math & science courses during the first semester, paying close attention to prerequisites. Students have the option of taking summer classes to lessen fall and spring course loads.

It is highly recommended that students meet with a SWIC advisor each semester. For additional information please contact the SIUE coordinator for advising and partnership programs in MC 1070. Please see “**Important Student Notes**” located on page of two of this transfer guide.

**Fall Year 1**

<b>SWIC Course</b>	<b>Hours</b>
ENG 101 Rhetoric & Composition I	3
COMM 151 Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
PSYC 151 General Psychology	3
<sup>1</sup> IAI IAI Mathematics	4
Elective	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>

**Spring Year 1**

<b>SWIC Course</b>	<b>Hours</b>
ENG 102 - Rhetoric & Composition II	3
<sup>2</sup> PSYC 250 - 251/253 - Child/Adol/Adult Dev	3
IAI IAI Physical Science	4
Elective	3
Elective	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>

**Fall Year 2**

<b>SWIC Course</b>	<b>Hours</b>
<sup>3</sup> PSYC 266 Cognitive Psychology	3
IAI IAI Fine Arts	3
IAI IAI General Humanities	3
IAI IAI Social Science	3
Elective	3
IAI Human Well Being	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>

**Spring Year 2**

<b>SWIC Course</b>	<b>Hours</b>
IAI IAI Life Science	4
<sup>3</sup> PSYC 295 Social Psychology	3
IAI IAI General Humanities or Fine Arts	3
Elective	3
Elective	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Associate Total</b>	<b>64</b>

<sup>1</sup>Recommended course-Math 107 or MATH 191.

<sup>2</sup>One developmental psychology required.

<sup>3</sup>Required psychology courses for SIUE; other SWIC psychology courses will transfer as general electives.

A minor is required for students who major in Psychology. Options for a double major, double minor, or a single minor are available. Courses taken at SWIC to meet SWIC’s general education requirements (including electives) can be used for the minor(s) or additional major. Students should begin planning early for any of these options.

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**IMPORTANT STUDENT NOTES**

The preceding information is provided to assist students in the transfer process. In no way does this document substitute for meeting with an academic advisor. Students are advised to meet on a regular basis with advisors at SWIC and SIUE. Courses taken through dual credit can be applied to required SIUE coursework; please contact SWIC advisor for more information. **The Associate degree requires students to complete one Human Relations course and one Non-Western Course. These requirements may be met with a Fine Arts, Humanities, Social Science, or Behavioral Science.**

Students have 2 options when pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Psychology

- A Bachelor of Arts degree will require 2 semesters of the same foreign language, which can be taken at either SWIC or SIUE, in addition to 8 Humanities and/or Fine Arts Courses (some of which will be completed with the Associate degree.)
- A Bachelor of Science degree will require completion of 8 courses in life, physical, or social science, in addition to 2 courses with a lab component (all of which will be met with the completion of the Associate degree.)

**DECLARATION REQUIREMENTS**

- A cumulative GPA of 2.25 or higher (on a 4.0 scale)
- A cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher to "direct declare." This means the student could call the department directly at 618-650-3940 to declare and schedule an academic advising appointment.