

Psychology Transfer Pathway (AA to BA)

for Ohio Community College students
transferring to Defiance College

October 2024



This document outlines the [Ohio Guaranteed Transfer Pathway \(OGTP\) in Psychology](#) that has been designed to provide clarity and consistency for college courses transferring between Ohio 2-year and 4-year public institutions.

This same transfer pathway in Psychology is now approved for students transferring to Defiance College, through a partnership between 11 Ohio community colleges and 14 private colleges called the [Ohio Consortium for Transfer Pathways to the Liberal Arts](#), and whose faculty and administration have collaborated to expand access and credit clarity for students transferring with an associate's degree from an Ohio community college to an Ohio private college or university.

Pages 1 & 2 of this document outline **community college courses that are approved statewide** for transfer credit for the AA to BA degree in psychology at an approved 4-year institution. Pages 3-4 show the AS to BS degree. Pages 5-7 show how these courses transfer to Defiance College to meet bachelor degree requirements.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE – ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE – TOTAL 60-65 CREDITS GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS/OHIO TRANSFER 36		Minimum Credit Hours
ENGLISH COMPOSITION AND ORAL COMMUNICATION:		3
Course 1:	Any OT36 approved First Writing course	3
MATHEMATICS, STATISTICS AND LOGIC		4-5
Course 1:	Introductory Statistics recommended ¹	3
ARTS AND HUMANITIES (Two courses from two different areas)		6
Course 1:	Any OT36 approved Arts and Humanities course	3
Course 2:	Any OT36 approved Arts and Humanities course	3
SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (Two courses from two different areas)		6
Course 1:	Introduction to Psychology ²	3
Course 2:	Any OT36 approved Social and Behavioral Sciences course (outside of psychology)	3
NATURAL SCIENCES		8-10
Course 1:	Any OTM approved Natural Science course with or without lab ³	3
Course 2:	Any OTM approved Biological Science course with lab ³	3-4
ADDITIONAL CREDITS		10
Course 1:	Any OT36 approved Second Writing course	3
Course 2:	Up to 9 additional hours of OT36 approved courses ⁴	9
GENERAL EDUCATION/OHIO TRANSFER 36 TOTAL:		37-40

Advising Notes:

Where it indicates "Any OT36 approved," students should work closely with their advisors.

¹ Please note that some institutions may require College Algebra. Check with your receiving institution.

² Introduction to Psychology also counts toward pre-major/beginning major requirements.

³ Only one natural sciences lab is required. In some cases, taking one Biological Science and one Physical Science is preferred. Check with your receiving institution.

⁴ One recommended course is OT36 approved Oral Communication.

Due to the variability across institutions, students should work with their academic advisor to determine an appropriate program of study and appropriate amount of additional credits to satisfy the OT36.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE – ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE – <i>Continued from page 1</i>		Minimum Credit Hours
PRE-MAJOR/BEGINNING MAJOR		
Course 1:	Introduction to Psychology (counted as part of the OT36)	0
* Course 2:	Social Psychology	3
* Course 3:	Abnormal Psychology	3
* Course 4:	Psychology of Personality	3
* Course 5:	Choose only one Human Development or Lifespan Development Course from the list below. If no course equivalency at the receiving institution, course will transfer as a major elective. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Development Course • Adolescent Development Course • Adulthood and Aging Course • Lifespan Development Course • Child and Adolescent Development Course 	3
PRE-MAJOR/BEGINNING MAJOR TOTAL:		12-15
OTHER REQUIREMENTS		
Foreign Language:	Demonstrate competencies through the intermediate level (Statewide guaranteed transfer courses available in American Sign Language, Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, French, German, Italian, and Spanish)	6-8
Electives:	It is recommended for students to use these elective hours to explore pursuing a double major or minor using TAG approved courses. These hours can also be used to complete prerequisite coursework.	3-6
OTHER REQUIREMENTS TOTAL:		8-18
<p>Advising Notes:</p> <p>(*) indicates that the course has a prerequisite of Introduction to Psychology. Introduction to Psychology simultaneously satisfies OTM and pre-major/beginning major requirements and is counted under the OTM Social and Behavioral Sciences requirement.</p> <p>A minimum of two semesters of foreign language should be taken if available. Additional foreign language courses may be needed as well – check with your receiving institution. If more foreign language courses are taken, then the number of elective hours will be lower.</p> <p>Some bachelor-degree granting institutions require additional general education courses outside of the Ohio Transfer Module and students may be required to take these courses in their junior or senior year. Students will still be able to follow this pathway and complete their bachelor’s degree in approximately 60 additional credit hours.</p>		
Associate Degree		Total Credit Hours
ASSOCIATE DEGREE TOTAL:		60-65
SPECIAL NOTES		
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ENGLISH COMPOSITION AND ORAL COMMUNICATION:		3
Course 1:	Any OT36 approved First Writing course	3
MATHEMATICS, STATISTICS AND LOGIC		3
Course 1:	College Algebra	3
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Course 1:	Introduction to Psychology ¹	3
Course 2:	Any OT36 approved Social and Behavioral Sciences course (outside of psychology)	3
NATURAL SCIENCES		6-8
Course 1:	Biology I or General Chemistry I ²	3-4
Course 2:	Any OT36 approved Biological Science course with or without lab ³	3-4
ADDITIONAL CREDITS		12
Course 1:	Any OT36 approved Second Writing course	3
Course 2:	Introduction to Statistics	3
Courses:	Up to 6 additional hours of OT36 approved courses ⁴	6
GENERAL EDUCATION/OHIO TRANSFER 36 TOTAL:		36-38

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Students with plans of pursuing a pre-professional track such as pre-medicine or graduate studies in the future should work closely with their academic advisor and receiving institution starting in the first year of their program in order to adequately prepare themselves for those types of tracks.

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How Psychology Pathway Courses Transfer to Defiance College



The following table outlines how transfer credits from the psychology transfer pathway and associate's degree will be applied to the Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science in Psychology degree at Defiance College.

Students interested in transferring to Defiance College should meet with an admission counselor regarding optimal course selection and admission requirements.

(4-YEAR INSTITUTION NAME) COURSE EQUIVALENCIES FROM THE ASSOCIATE DEGREE PATHWAY	Course Number	Credit Hours
GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS/OHIO TRANSFER 36		
Any OT36 approved First Writing course	ENGL 125	3
Any OT36 approved Second Writing course	ENGL 225	3
College Algebra	MATH 110	3
Introduction to Statistics	PSY 230	3
Any OT36 approved Arts and Humanities course	CEA Course	3
Any OT36 approved Arts and Humanities course	HPM Course	3
Introduction to Psychology	PSY 110	3
Any OT36 approved Social and Behavioral Sciences course (Introduction to Sociology (OSS021) recommended for pre-medicine)	SBS Course	3
Biology I or General Chemistry I	BIO 110 or CHEM 123	3-4
Any OT36 approved Biological Science course with lab	SK Course	4
Up to 6 additional hours of OT36 approved courses	OT36 Electives	6
PRE-MAJOR/BEGINNING MAJOR		
Introduction to Psychology (counted as part of the OT36)	PSY 110	0
Social Psychology	PSY 260	3
Abnormal Psychology	PSY 280	3
Psychology of Personality	PSY 315	3
Choose only one Human Development or Lifespan Development Course from this list. If no course equivalency at the receiving institution, course will transfer as a major elective: Child Development, Adolescent Development, Adulthood and Aging, Lifespan Development or Child and Adolescent Development	PSY 220	3
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS		
Foreign Language - demonstrate competencies through the intermediate level (Statewide guaranteed transfer courses available in American Sign Language, Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, French, German, Italian, and Spanish)	OT36 Electives	6-8
Electives	OT36 Electives	3-6
TOTAL HOURS FROM ASSOCIATE DEGREE:		60-64

Advising Notes:

This Transfer Pathway completes the Associate of Arts degree, which must total at least 60 semester credits and includes 36 credits of the Ohio Transfer 36 (OT36), which are approved general education requirements. OT36 details can be found at <https://transfercredit.ohio.gov/initiatives-upd/ohio-transfer-36>.

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Remaining Courses to Complete at Defiance College



This table outlines the remaining coursework required for the bachelor of arts or science in psychology degree at Defiance College. A student transferring to Defiance College with the associate of arts degree and psychology transfer pathway completed will receive maximum credit, placing them at or near junior standing with introductory coursework in the psychology major completed.

Most or all of the Defiance College general education requirements can be completed as part of the associate degree, through planning with a transfer advisor. Some institutional degree requirements must be taken at Defiance College as listed below.

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REMAINING COURSEWORK TO COMPLETE THE BACHELOR'S DEGREE AT DEFIANCE COLLEGE	Course Number	Credit Hours
INSTITUTIONAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS		
Introduction to Human Communication	COMM 120	3
World Issues	GLST 100	3
MAJOR REQUIREMENTS		
Psychology Research Methods	PSY 302	3
History and Systems of Psychology	PSY 305	3
Memory and Cognition	PSY 430	3
Senior Capstone Seminar	PSY 498	3
Psychology Elective 1	PSY XXX	3
Psychology Elective 2	PSY XXX	3
Psychology Elective 3	PSY XXX	3
OTHER BACHELOR DEGREE REQUIREMENTS		
Electives		Varies
TOTAL REMAINING COURSEWORK TO COMPLETE BACHELOR'S DEGREE		60-65

Advising Notes:

Sample Degree Map for Psychology Transfer Pathway

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This sample degree map shows how students who transfer to Defiance College with the psychology transfer pathway can complete the bachelor's degree in four semesters.

THIRD YEAR			
SEMESTER 5		SEMESTER 6	
Course Name & Number	Credit Hours	Course Name & Number	Credit Hours
GLST 100 World Issues	3	PSY 302 Psychology Research Methods	3
COMM 120 Introduction to Human Communication	3	PSY Elective 2	3
PSY 305 History and Systems	3	Open Elective	3
PSY Elective 1	3	Open Elective	3
Total Semester Credit Hours	12	Open Elective	3
		GEN 301	1
		Total Semester Credit Hours	16

FOURTH YEAR			
SEMESTER 7		SEMESTER 8	
Course Name & Number		Course Name & Number	
PSY 430 Memory and Cognition	3	PSY Elective 3	3
PSY 498 Senior Capstone Seminar	3	Open Elective	3
Open Elective	3	Open Elective	3
Open Elective	3	Open Elective	3
Open Elective	3	GEN 401	1
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Total Semester Credit Hours	13