



Social Science

Psychology

2
Years

TO TRANSFER

3

MONTEREY, MARINA, ONLINE

Degree Options

100%

CLASSES AVAILABLE

Online

100%

MPC STUDENTS ELIGIBLE

Drezner Scholarship

Program Overview

Have you ever wondered why people do what they do? While there is no simple explanation, psychology classes explore factors that influence human behavior and interaction. The Psychology program introduces psychology as a science and provides a solid foundation on which to build. The core curriculum and interesting subfields challenge students to think critically and apply sound decision-making, communication, adaptability, and inclusivity in one's everyday life.

Job Outlook

Job prospects for psychology-related careers are strong and show continued steady growth in the future. According to the American Psychological Association, these careers are expected to grow by as much as 20% between 2014 and 2024. Graduates may also find positions in a wide range of fields, from sales to social work, that call on critical "soft" skills such as interpersonal communication and emotional intelligence.

CAREERS

***Substance Abuse Counselors**

\$31,210 - \$93,090

***Social Science Research Assistants**

\$35,220 - \$87,840

***Marriage & Family Therapists**

\$31,540 - \$82,820

***College Psychology Instructors**

\$50,860 - \$196,070

***Clinical Psychologists**

\$58,150 - \$163,890

* Requires additional training
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics
(CA data)



Our Top Transfer Colleges

CSU Monterey Bay
San Diego State University
UC Santa Cruz



Psychology

Suggested Course Sequence

**Associate Degree
for Transfer**
IGETC GE Pattern

YEAR

1

Total Units:
28

F A L L		S P R I N G	
	Units		Units
ENGL 1A	3	ENGL 2	3
MATH 16 or PSYC 19	4	PSYC 25 or PSYC 3	3
PSYC 1	3	PSYC 10	3
Area 3A	3	Area 5A & 5C	4
UC Elective	1	UC Elective	1
PERS 10 rec.		LIBR 50 rec.	
Total Fall Units	14	Total Spring Units	14

YEAR

2

Total Units:
30-34

F A L L		S P R I N G	
	Units		Units
Area 1C (CSU req. only)	3	Area 3A or 3B	3
PSYC 38	3	Area 4	3
Major List B	3	US-2 & 3 rec.	
Area 3B	3	Area 6 (UC req. only)	3-5
US-1 rec.		or UC Elective	
UC Elective	3	UC Elective	3
PSYC course rec.		PSYC course rec.	
		UC Elective	3-5
Total Fall Units	15	Total Spring Units	15-19

This is a suggested sequence of coursework and is one pathway for students to earn their degree/certificate. This is not an official educational plan. A counselor is able to assist you with creating a personalized education plan based on your academic, career, and personal goals. For more information about counseling and up-to-date program requirements, please visit www.mpc.edu/counseling.



“Higher education was always a priority, but I didn’t have a clear idea what I wanted to pursue. The MPC Psychology department opened my eyes to how fascinating the human brain was, which led me to a bachelor’s in neuroscience, and a career in clinical pathology.”

Ray Padilla
MPC Graduate

Monterey Peninsula College (MPC) is a fully accredited California public community college. The college is known for the excellence of its academic programs and student support services.

Campus Locations

Monterey
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Online

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