

# Best Choices Guide

## Psychology (BA)

This Associate of Arts degree is designed for PCC students who want to transfer to UCCS and complete a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Psychology. It is based on the best academic advising choices for future UCCS students.

To earn the Associate of Arts Degree, students must complete the following course requirements for a total of 60 semester credit hours, at least 35 of which must be Colorado State-Guaranteed Courses. Courses taken at other colleges, AP, IB, CLEP, and other sources of credit may not be applicable upon transfer to UCCS even if applied to the associate's degree at PCC.

To transfer to UCCS, students should have a cumulative GPA of 2.4 or better, *including all remedial and repeated courses*. (Students with a transfer GPA between 2.0 and 2.39 will be considered for admission.) Each transfer course must have a grade of "C" or better.

Degree Requirements		Courses					
Communication (9 credit hours)	ENG 121	Note: Students who test into ENG 122, should take ENG 201 as their second composition course.					
	ENG 122						
	COM 115						
Mathematics (4 credit hours)	Category GT-MA1						
	MAT 121						
Arts & Humanities/Social & Behavioral Sciences (21 credit hours)  1. Select three courses from at least two different GT-AH areas.	Category GT-AH1						
	ART 110	ART 111	ART 112	ART 207	MUS 120	MUS 121	
	MUS 122	MUS 125	THE 105	THE 211	THE 212		
	Category GT-AH2						
	HUM 115	HUM 121	HUM 122	HUM 123	LIT 115	LIT 201	
	LIT 202	LIT 205	LIT 211	LIT 212	LIT 246		
	Category GT-AH3						
	PHI 111	PHI 112	PHI 113	PHI 114	PHI 115	PHI 214	
	PHI 218	PHI 220					
	Category GT-AH4						
	FRE 211	FRE 212	GER 211	GER212	ITA 211	ITA 212	
	SPA 211	SPA 212					
	2. Select one GT-HI course. Do not take more than one GT-HI course for the AA.	Category GT-HI1					
HIS 101		HIS 102	HIS 111	HIS 112	HIS 121	HIS 122	
HIS 225		HIS 244	HIS 246	HIS 247			
3. Select three courses from at least two different GT-SS areas. DO NOT take any PSY courses for this requirement. ANT 101, GEO 105 or GEO 106 are preferred options to fulfill part of this requirement for UCCS students.	Category GT-SS1						
	ECO 201	ECO 202	ECO 245	POS 105	POS 111	POS 125	
	Category GT-SS2						
	GEO 105	GEO 106					
	Category GT-SS3						
	ANT 101	ANT 107	ANT 215	ANT225	COM 220	ETH 200	
	PSY 101	PSY 102	PSY 205	PSY 217	PSY 226	PSY 227	
	PSY 235	PSY 238	PSY 240	PSY 249	PSY 265	SOC 101	
	SOC 102	SOC 205	SOC 215	SOC 216	SOC 218	SOC 231	
	SOC 237	WST 200					

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<b>Physical and Life Sciences</b> (8 credit hours)  Complete eight hours of GT-SC1 courses. Psychology students must take one of the BIO courses to fulfill part of this requirement.	<b>Category GT-SC1</b> * SCI 155 and 156, if taken, must both be taken to fulfill this requirement.					
	ANT 111	AST 101	AST 102	<b>BIO 105</b>	<b>BIO 111</b>	<b>BIO 112</b>
	<b>BIO 201</b>	<b>BIO 202</b>	<b>BIO 204</b>	CHE 101	CHE 102	CHE 105
	CHE 111	CHE 112	ENV 101	GEO 112	GEY 111	GEY 112
	GEY 135	MET 150	PHY 105	PHY 107	PHY 111	PHY 112
	PHY 211	PHY 212	SCI 155*	SCI 156*		
	<b>Category GT-SC2</b>					
	BIO 116	SCI 105				
<b>Additional Requirements</b> 18 credits recommended by UCCS for this degree plus remaining courses from the approved course list.	PSY 101				3	
	PSY 102				3	
	Complete 3 additional PSY courses from the GT-SS3 list.				9	
	Open Electives				3	

**NOTE:** Courses in italics will count towards the UCCS Writing Intensive Requirement.

### Other AA Requirements

1. A minimum of 60 credit hours in a prescribed program of study with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 (a C average). At least 15 of these credit hours must be earned from PCC.
2. Only 6 elective credits are allowed in any combination of PED courses.
3. Career and technical courses, whether taken at another institution or at PCC, are not accepted toward this degree without approval of the vice president for educational services. Approval is given only when it is appropriate to the educational objectives of the student.
4. Courses numbered below 100 do not apply towards degrees

### State-Wide Articulation Agreement

This guide is based on the Colorado state-wide transfer articulation for your major. For additional information regarding guarantees, limitations, and addendums to that agreement please visit the Guaranteed Transfer and Guided Pathways page on the Colorado Department of Higher Education website ([higher.ed.colorado.gov/Academics/Transfers/Students.html](http://higher.ed.colorado.gov/Academics/Transfers/Students.html)).

### Foreign Language Note – UCCS

UCCS admission requirements include 2 years of the same high school foreign language (or equivalent 2 semesters at the Community College). Students planning to attend UCCS who do not have the prerequisite foreign language requirement should consider enrolling in these courses in addition to the degree requirements. Students who do not meet this requirement will need to fulfill it upon transferring to UCCS. This admission requirement does not apply to those who graduated from high school prior to 1988, who have a GED, who graduated from a non-U.S. high school, or who can prove proficiency in a foreign language through the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester at college level. **Please check with the Transfer Advisor ([transfer@uccs.edu](mailto:transfer@uccs.edu)) to see if this requirement applies to you.**

### Advising at PCC

[Arts&Sciences@pueblocc.edu](mailto:Arts&Sciences@pueblocc.edu)

### Additional Resources

The UCCS transfer website ([www.uccs.edu/transfer](http://www.uccs.edu/transfer)) has many additional resources for students transferring from PCC to UCCS.

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## Four-Year Degree Plan – Psychology

The following four-year plan lists all the specific course requirements for the Bachelor of Arts in Psychology degree at UCCS. Courses are listed by the course number at the appropriate institution. The order in which these courses are taken may vary with course availability. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.** Please note that this is a *suggested* degree program; your program may vary.

### Suggested First Year

FALL			SPRING		
√	Course	Hours	√	Course	Hours
	ENG 121	3		ENG 122	3
	PSY 101	3		PSY 102	3
	GT-SS course	3		MAT 121	4
	GT-AH course	3		GT-AH course	3
	GT-HI course	3		GT-SS course from: GEO 105, GEO 106, or ANT 101	3
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>

### Suggested Second Year

FALL			SPRING		
√	Course	Hours	√	Course	Hours
	GT-SS3 - PSY Elective	3		GT-SS3 - PSY Elective	3
	GT-AH course	3		GT-SS3 - PSY Elective	3
	GT-SS course	3		GT-SC course	4
	GT-SC course – BIO	4		COM 115	3
	General Elective	3			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>

### Suggested Third Year

FALL			SPRING		
√	Course	Hours	√	Course	Hours
	PSY 1100	1		PSY 2110	4
	PSY 2100	4		PSY Core Content Course	3
	PSY Core Content Course	3		PSY Core Content Course	3
	PSY Core Content Course	3		Upper Division (UD) General Elective	3
	General Elective	2		UD General Elective	3
	Natural Science Elective	1			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>

### Suggested Fourth Year

FALL			SPRING		
√	Course	Hours	√	Course	Hours
	PSY Advanced Seminar	3		UD PSY Elective	3
	General Elective ( <i>Inclusiveness</i> )	3		UD PSY Elective	3
	HUM 3990	3		General Elective ( <i>Cultural Diversity</i> )	3
	UD General Elective ( <i>Sustainability</i> )	3		UD General Elective	3
	UD General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>

### UCCS Bachelor of Arts, Psychology Major Requirements

1. A minimum of 120 hours must be completed with a cumulative CU grade point average of 2.0; at least 45 of these hours must be at the upper-division level (courses numbered 3000-4999).
2. The Psychology major requires a minimum of 36 hours with a grade point average of 2.0, and at least 18 of the hours must be at the upper-division level (courses numbered 3000-4999).
3. The last 30 hours of the degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences at UCCS.
4. In addition to the requirements listed on this handout, students are required to complete one course in Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity and Global Awareness. The courses may be within the major, part of general education or electives. Psychology majors will have met the Oral Communication and Global Awareness requirements by completing COM 115 plus one course from ANT 101, GEO 105 or GEO 106 at the community college. The Cultural Diversity requirement will be met by taking an approved course as a general elective at UCCS.
5. For specific department information and recommendations, please visit [www.uccs.edu/psychology](http://www.uccs.edu/psychology).

Prospective Student Advising: Transfer Advisor ([transfer@uccs.edu](mailto:transfer@uccs.edu))