

Bachelor of Arts with a major in Psychology (2017/2018 Catalog)

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Oakland University Courses	Mott Community College Options
PSY 1000	PSYC 281

Select one course each from two of the following categories – ONLY TO BE USED TO FULFILL 2000-LEVEL REQUIREMENT:
(additional course options available at OU)

2000-level Developmental group:	PSYC 287, 290, 291
2000-level Social Personality group:	PSYC 282, 283
2000-level Behavioral Health group:	PSYC 286

PSY Elective:

When following this guide, choose up to 7 credits from the following course options :	PSYC 282, 283, 286, 287, 290, 291 (when not completed above), PSYC 280, 285, 289
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Complete MTH 0662 (or placement in higher math course)	MATH 115, 120 or 123
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MICHIGAN TRANSFER AGREEMENTS:

In many cases it is to a student's advantage to complete the MTA or MACRAO agreement when fulfilling General Education requirements. This may allow for more flexibility when creating a schedule while at your community college. When choosing to complete MTA or MACRAO, please confirm the best courses to take to fulfill the agreement with your academic adviser at Mott or [MTA Approved Courses](#)

Additional course requirements for MTA when following this major guide (minimum 30 credit hours required for MTA):

- ENG 101 (MTA Approved Composition Course)
- ENG 102 (MTA Approved Composition Course; this is a prerequisite for coursework at OU)
- One MTA Approved Social Science Course
- Two MTA Approved Humanities and Fine Arts Courses
- Two MTA Approved Natural Science Courses
- One MTA Approved Mathematics Course

SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING MTA OR MACRAO: In some cases, completing the MTA or MACRAO agreement may not be practical. When using MTA or MACRAO, your ability to make the most efficient course selections at OU may be impacted depending on your accumulated credits and chosen OU major. For more details on whether or not it is recommended for you to complete MTA or MACRAO, please consult with an OU academic adviser.

If you plan to transfer without completing a transfer agreement, please reference the table below for courses that satisfy individual categories.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

40 credits are required from categories 1-10. Each of these categories must be fulfilled by completing one course of at least 3 or more credits. A course may not be used in more than one of these categories. Please see OU Catalog for further information.

1. Writing Foundations	ENGL 102, 104
2. Formal Reasoning	COMS 172; MATH 150, 165, 170, 220; PHIL 103, 190
3. Arts	ART 110, 111, 112, 116; FILM 181; MUS 180, 182, 183, 186, 187, 271, 272; THTR 110
4. Foreign Language and Culture	ARBC, CHI 111, 112; FREN 151, 152, 251, 252; GERM, JAPA, RUSN 111, 112, 211, 212; SPAN 181, 182, 281, 282
5. Global Perspective	ANTH 200, 211; GEOG 142; HIST 152; PHIL 251; PSCN 275
6. Literature	ENGL 220, 221, 222, 223, 225, 227, 231, 232, 235, 240, 242, 253, 271
7. Natural Science and Technology	ASTR 117, 118; BIOL 107, 111, 120 & 121, 150; CHEM 111, 118, 123, 131; GEOG 141; GEOL 151; PHSC 191, 192; PHYS 281, 287; SCI 101
8. Social Science	Satisfied by Major – PSYC 281
9. Western Civilization	HIST 154, 155, 254, 255; PHIL 101, 295
10. Knowledge Applications	Must be outside of OU Major area (confirm course choice with OU adviser) ART 131; COMW 241, 282; FREN 251, 252; GERM 211, 212; JAPA 211, 212; MATH 180; PHOT 180; PHYS 282, 288; PSYC 288, 291; RUSN 211, 212; SOCY 294; SPAN 281, 282
U.S. Diversity – May double count with categories 1-10	ENGL 223, 235; FILM 181; HIST 154, 155, 254, 255; MUS 182; PSCN 170; SOCY 191, 294
Capstone & Writing Intensive in the Major	These general education requirements must be met by courses taken at Oakland University.

Students who complete MTA or MACRAO according to this guide satisfy general education categories 1-9 and U.S. Diversity.

Recent Course Changes:

HIST 152 may be used to satisfy either the Global Perspective or Western Civilization category of General Education, must be transferred in before the start of Fall Semester 2019.

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EXPLORATORY:

Students with majors in the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) must satisfy an exploratory requirement. This can be done by completing a double major or a CAS minor or concentration; or by completing a minimum of 12 credits in a single CAS rubric, outside of their major rubric. For additional options visit oakland.edu/exploratory. Only courses that are at the 100-level or above may be used to fulfill the exploratory requirement. Students using MTA or MACRAO must complete the exploratory requirement at Oakland University or another four-year institution.

Notes:

- Please contact College of Arts and Sciences Advising at oakland.edu/casadvising or (248) 370-4567 for more information regarding your degree requirements.
- Coursework more than 10 years old is not automatically accepted toward the PSY major (consult an OU Academic Adviser for more details).

Talking Points

- Psychology department features: Research-active faculty who involve undergraduate Independent Study students, faculty-directed major advising and department computer lab for doing homework. Also available are graduate programs at the Masters and PhD levels.
- Departmental funds available to support undergraduate research and travel for students presenting their research at national conferences.
- Psi Chi student organization is a very active program; a wonderful opportunity to meet and mix with fellow psychology majors.
- Experiential Learning Opportunities include Undergraduate Research Assistant and Undergraduate Teaching Assistant.
- Department offers annual workshops centered on Careers in Psychology and Getting into Graduate School. Department also coordinates with Career services for career opportunity open houses.
- Oakland University's (School of Education and Human Services – Department of Human Development and Child Studies) Board Certified assistant Behavior Analyst (BCaBA) course sequence is an outstanding way for students to fulfill elective credits. Students earn the BCaBA credential through the Behavior Analyst Certification Board upon completion of the requirements. (for more details, see "COMBINED PROGRAMS" tab at this link: [Psychology Programs Overview](https://www.oakland.edu/psychology/undergraduate-programs/overview-of-programs/) (<https://www.oakland.edu/psychology/undergraduate-programs/overview-of-programs/>)).
- The Combined BA/MS Program (i.e., 4+1 Program) provides high-achieving students an opportunity to complete a Bachelor's degree and a Master's degree in less time than would be required if the two degrees were done independently (5 years instead of 6 years). (for more details, see "COMBINED PROGRAMS" tab at this link: [Psychology Programs Overview](https://www.oakland.edu/psychology/undergraduate-programs/overview-of-programs/) (<https://www.oakland.edu/psychology/undergraduate-programs/overview-of-programs/>)).
- The Department of Psychology at Oakland University and Wayne State University Law School has formed a partnership available to Psychology majors in which students are able to complete their bachelor's degree (BA) at Oakland University and Doctorate of Jurisdiction (JD) at Wayne State University in less time than each degree independently. In essence, the 3+3 BA/JD program allows highly motivated students to complete both degrees in six (6) years instead of seven (7) years. (for more details, see "COMBINED PROGRAMS" tab at this link: [Psychology Programs Overview](https://www.oakland.edu/psychology/undergraduate-programs/overview-of-programs/) (<https://www.oakland.edu/psychology/undergraduate-programs/overview-of-programs/>)).