

Northern Virginia Community College 2008-2009 Catalog

**LIBERAL ARTS:
Psychology Specialization**

Associate of Arts Degree

AL, AN, LO, MA, WO

Purpose: The Psychology specialization is designed for students who plan to transfer to a college or university for a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology.

Transfer Information: Students are advised to work closely with the faculty and counseling staff for program and course scheduling. Electives should be chosen carefully to meet requirements of transfer institution. The responsibility for proper course selection rests with the student.

Two Years		Credits
1st Semester		
BIO	101 General Biology I	4
ENG	111 College Composition I	3
¹ MTH	151 Math for the Liberal Arts I	3
² PED	116 Lifetime Fitness & Wellness	1
PSY	201 Introduction to Psychology I	3
SDV	Elective	<u>1</u>
	Total	15
2nd Semester		
BIO	102 General Biology II	4
³ ENG	112 College Composition II	3
¹ MTH	152 Math for the Liberal Arts II	3
PSY	202 Introduction to Psychology II	3
SPD	110 Intro. to Speech Communication or SPD 126 Interpersonal Communication	<u>3</u>
	Total	16
3rd Semester		
ENG	200-Level Literature Elective	3
⁴ _____	201 Foreign Language	3
⁵ HIS	Elective	3
² PED/RPK	Elective	1
PSY	211 Research Methodology for Behavioral Sciences	3
PSY	231 Life Span Human Development I	<u>3</u>
	Total	16
4th Semester		
ENG	200-Level Literature Elective	3
⁴ _____	202 Foreign Language	3
⁵ HIS	Elective	3
PSY	213 Statistics for Behavioral Sciences	3
PSY	232 Life Span Human Development II	<u>3</u>
	Total	15

Total credits for A.A. Degree in Liberal Arts with a Specialization in Psychology = 62.

¹ Any higher-level mathematics course may be substituted; see transfer requirements.

² The PED requirement may be met by one of the following options: PED 116, 2 cr.; PED 116, 1 cr. plus a PED activities course, 1 cr.; or PED 116, 1 cr. plus RPK activities course. PED 116 is offered as both a 1-credit and a 2-credit course.

³ ENG 125 may be substituted with the advice of a counselor or faculty advisor according to requirements of transfer institutions.

⁴ Students completing the A.A. in Liberal Arts must demonstrate intermediate college-level (201-202) proficiency in a language other than English. The 201-202 courses require a prerequisite proficiency equivalent to the 101-102 sequence in the language. Placement testing determines initial foreign language level. Students completing 101-102 foreign language may use those credits to meet general elective requirements. Waivers or credit by exam (through CLEP) for previous experience is available for *some* languages. Students whose native language is not English may substitute general electives for foreign language upon the approval of the advising division dean.

⁵ HIS 101-102 are recommended.