

Psychology Pre-Major

Develop your liberal arts skills in the area of human thinking and behavior in order to work in a variety of careers working with people. Students earning this degree will easily be able to transfer to a bachelor's degree program in a variety of colleges and universities in and outside of the UW System. Program curriculum aligns well with the first two year requirements for psychology related majors and emphasis, including but not limited to Psychology, Human Development, Applied Behavior Analysis, and Human Services.

Program Outline

COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	CREDITS															
2089010100	Foundations of University Learning	1.00															
2080121900	English Composition I Develops expository writing and critical thinking skills, including clarity, concision, concreteness, and completeness of expression, supported by reasoning, organization, and language conventions. Lecture.	3.00															
2080122300	English Composition II Advances composition skills, emphasizing well-reasoned argumentative research papers. Lecture. Credits: 3. Prerequisite(s): 2080121900 English Composition I (D- or better) or 1080119500 Written Communication (B or better).	3.00															
2081020100	Fundamentals of Speech Examines theory and process of communication, the role of speech in self- development, the art of persuasion, topic selection, the use of research-based evidence, and audience analysis. Includes organizing speech content, speech delivery, and critique via presentation of informative and persuasive speeches and development of effective extemporaneous speaking style. Students gain self-confidence, proficiency, and poise.	3.00															
N/A	Humanities Must include courses in at least two disciplines: art, history, journalism/writing, literature, music, philosophy, theatre/film, world language. View Courses and Descriptions (PDF) .	12.00															
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N/A	Mathematics & Natural Science	10.00															

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20804230	Statistics	3
20806201	Principles of Biology or	4
20806220	Human Biology	5
	Plus an additional 3 credits in biology, chemistry, geography (selected courses), geology, physics.	3
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N/A	Health/Wellness/Physical Education	1.00
N/A	Diversity/Ethnic Studies	0.00
	Courses that meet this requirement may also count toward Humanities or Social Science. These credits are not in addition to the 60 credits required for the degree.	
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N/A	World Language	4.00
	May be met with one year high school, with a grade of "C" or better, or one semester in college.	
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N/A	Electives	11.00
	Select any college transfer courses beyond the minimum requirements. One credit of health and PE beyond the Health/Wellness/PE credit may be selected.	
	May be 16 credits if students satisfy the world language requirement with one year of high school (C or better).	

Total Credits: 60.00

Talk with a Success Coach about the program outline. Together, you will determine if credits you've already earned satisfy any requirements, discuss possible alternative courses, and choose the best classes if you're thinking of transferring.

At A Glance

How You'll Learn

Summer 2026 Start Date

May 18 - Summer Term Start
June 15 - Additional Term Start for Select Courses

Fall 2026 Start Dates

August 31 - 16-Week Fall Term Start

October 26 - Additional 8-Week Term Start for Select Courses

Spring 2027 Start Dates

January 11 - 16-Week Spring Term Start

March 15 - Additional 8-Week Term Start for Select Courses

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Program Tuition*

\$12,240

Books & Supplies*

\$3,308

*Total cost for degree completion is estimated by current course requirements, books, and supplies. Tuition and fees are set by the Wisconsin Technical College System and subject to change.

Financial Aid Eligible

► [Potential Indirect Costs](#)

What You'll Learn

- Apply forms of effective communication in various contexts
 - Demonstrate quantitative reasoning
 - Demonstrate critical and/or creative thinking
 - Apply scientific methods
 - Demonstrate cultural awareness
 - Apply ethics to individual, social, environmental, and informational contexts
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Possible Bachelor's Degree Majors

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- Psychology
- Human Development
- Applied Behavior Analysis
- Human Services

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Get Started

Your application can be submitted online, it takes just a few minutes to complete.

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