Psychology is the systematic and scientific study of human behavior and mental processes. It focuses on the biological, social, personal, and cognitive factors that influence behavior and covers such topics as the nervous system, sensation and perception, learning and memory, motivation and emotion, personality, development, normal and abnormal behavior, and social psychology. An Associate in Arts in Psychology provides relevant educational experiences for students seeking employment in a variety of fields, including helping professions, teaching, medicine, public service and business. It also intends to enhance students’ self-awareness, personal adjustment, awareness of others, and critical thinking ability. Students should consult with a counselor to determine whether this degree is the best option for their academic goals.

**Important:** To obtain the Associate in Arts Degree in Psychology, students must complete the following requirements with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0:
- The Psychology major requirements below.
- The College of the Siskiyous General Education Pattern (COSGE) requirements.
- Any needed electives to reach a total of 60 COS degree-applicable units.
- All major courses and any courses noted on the COSGE check sheet must be completed with a C or better.

### Requirements for the Major

- **Complete the following:**
  - ENGL 1001- College Composition (3)
  - MATH 1050- Elementary Statistics (4)
  - PSY 1001- General Psychology (3)
  
- **Complete one of the following:**
  - BIO 1500- Human Biology (3)
  - BIO 2700- Human Anatomy (4)
  
- **Complete two of the following:**
  - PSY 1003- Social Psychology (3)
  - PSY 1004- Psychology of Prejudice (3)
  - PSY 1502- Abnormal Psychology (3)

**Total Units**

19-20