

# BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE MAJOR: APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY OPTION (A.S.)

<https://cps.unh.edu/online/program/as/behavioral-science-applied-psychology-option>

## Description

The Associate in Science in Behavioral Science provides an interdisciplinary approach to understanding human behavior within a global world view. Foundation courses at an associate level introduce behavioral science students to the biological, psychological, social, and cultural variables of human behavior. This degree prepares students for a smooth transition to the B.S. in Applied Psychology, Health & Wellness, Human Services, or Criminal Justice. The applied psychology option introduces students to the research basis of psychology.

## Requirements

### Degree Requirements

**Minimum Credit Requirement:** 60 credits

**Minimum Residency Requirement:** 16 credits must be taken at UNH

**Minimum GPA:** 2.0 required for conferral\*

**Core Curriculum Required:** General Education Program

Major, Option, and Elective Requirements as indicated.

\*Major GPA requirements as indicated.

### General Education Program Requirements

A minimum grade of D- is required in all General Education coursework. Students are allowed a maximum of one course overlap between the Major and General Education areas.

Code	Title	Credits
ENG 420	The Writing Process	4
COM 460	Interpersonal Communication and Group Dynamics	4
COM 480	Visual Communication	4
CRIT 501	Introduction to Critical Inquiry	4
Select one of the following:		
MTH 402	Math for Our World	4
MTH 504	Statistics	4
MTH 510	Pre-Calculus	4
<i>Knowledge of Human Behavior &amp; Social Systems</i>		
<i>Knowledge of the Physical &amp; Natural World</i>		
<i>Knowledge of Human Thought &amp; Expression</i>		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>32</b>

### Major Requirements

A minimum grade of C- is required in all Major/Option coursework. Students are allowed a maximum of one course overlap between the Major/Option and General Education areas.

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Major in Behavioral Science</b>		
PSY 410	Introduction to Psychology	4
PSY 525	Human Development	4
SOCI 410	Introduction to Sociology	4
<b>Option in Applied Psychology</b>		
Select three of the following:		12
MTH 504	Statistics	
PSY 530	Social Psychology	
PSY 602	Theories of Personality	
PSY 630	Psychology of Adulthood	
PSY 685	Principles of Psychopathology	
SOSC 445	Race & Diversity in the U.S.	
SOSC 602	Men and Women in Cross-Cultural Perspectives	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>24</b>

## Electives

Open electives are courses students will need to take in addition to their general education and major requirements in order to satisfy the remaining credit totals for their programs. Open electives are defined as any credit course offered by the College not already included in the student's general education, major, concentration or minor. Students will need 60 credits total to graduate with an associate degree.

## Degree Plan

This degree plan is a sample and does not reflect the impact of transfer credit or current course offerings. UNH CPS Online undergraduate students should develop individual academic plans with their academic advisor during their first year at UNH.

## Sample Course Sequence

### First Year

Fall		Credits
COM 460	Interpersonal Communication and Group Dynamics	4
ENG 420	The Writing Process	4
PSY 410	Introduction to Psychology	4
SOCI 410	Introduction to Sociology	4
<b>Credits</b>		<b>16</b>

### Spring

CRIT 501	Introduction to Critical Inquiry	4
MTH 402	Math for Our World	4
or MTH 504	or Statistics	
or MTH 510	or Pre-Calculus	
PSY 525	Human Development	4
General Education Course		4
<b>Credits</b>		<b>16</b>

### Second Year

Fall		
COM 480	Visual Communication	4

MTH 504 or PSY 530 or PSY 602 or PSY 630 or PSY 685 or SOSC 445 or SOSC 602	Statistics or Social Psychology or Theories of Personality or Psychology of Adulthood or Principles of Psychopathology or Race & Diversity in the U.S. or Men and Women in Cross-Cultural Perspectives	4
PSY 530 or MTH 504 or PSY 602 or PSY 630 or PSY 685 or SOSC 445 or SOSC 602	Social Psychology or Statistics or Theories of Personality or Psychology of Adulthood or Principles of Psychopathology or Race & Diversity in the U.S. or Men and Women in Cross-Cultural Perspectives	4
General Education Course		4
<b>Credits</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
PSY 602 or MTH 504 or PSY 530 or PSY 630 or PSY 685 or SOSC 445 or SOSC 602	Theories of Personality or Statistics or Social Psychology or Psychology of Adulthood or Principles of Psychopathology or Race & Diversity in the U.S. or Men and Women in Cross-Cultural Perspectives	4
General Education Course		4
Elective		4
<b>Credits</b>		<b>12</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>60</b>

## Student Learning Outcomes

### Program Learning Outcomes

- Attain proficiency in the basic concepts, theories, and methods of inquiry in behavioral sciences.
- Evaluate ethical principles of the behavioral sciences.
- Prepare for seamless transition to the Bachelor of Science in Applied Psychology, Health & Wellness, Human Services, or Criminal Justice.