



Oakland Community College

2021/22

Western Michigan University Psychology Curriculum Guide

Pre-psychology requirements:

- ❖ There are 2 options for majoring in psychology: general psychology or behavioral science.
- ❖ Information about these majors can be found at the WMU psychology department website.
- ❖ Students pursuing either major are admitted to WMU under the pre-psychology designation. To **officially declare** the **behavioral science major**, each course listed below must be completed with a “B” (3.0) or better.
- ❖ To **officially declare** the **general psychology major**, each course below **must be completed** with a “C” (2.0) or better.

The following courses are required for both psychology majors:

<u>WMU courses</u>	<u>OCC courses</u>
PSY 1000	PSY 2510
PSY 1400	No equivalent*
PSY 1401	No equivalent*
PSY 1600	PSY 2710
PSY 3000	No equivalent**

* Students may either complete these courses at another college, or plan to take them in the first semester at WMU. **Students should plan to take this in their second semester at WMU.

General education requirements:

- ❖ Please refer to the [WMU Essential Studies transfer guide](#) that lists courses meeting WES requirements at WMU that may be taken at OCC.
- ❖ One of the general education requirements is a math requirement. We recommend statistics because much of the interpretation of psychological research rests on knowledge in statistics.

- ❖ All students graduating from the College of Arts & Sciences must meet the world language proficiency by completing two semesters (6-8 hours) of the same foreign language or American Sign Language or passing WMU's proficiency by exam. Please contact the College of Arts & Sciences Undergraduate Advising Office at (269) 387-4366 with any questions. Neither the MACRAO Agreement nor the Michigan Transfer Agreement satisfy the world language requirement.
 - If the student's first language is not English, then the student is exempt from this requirement. Determination of eligibility for this exemption is based on whether the student was required to take the TOEFL test for admission and can be verified through the WMU departments of Spanish or World Languages and Literatures.
- ❖ You may email the WMU advisors in the College of Arts & Sciences for further clarification about **WES**.

Important notes:

- ❖ Depending on your major track, you will need 3-5 **approved** psychology electives. The following OCC courses are approved electives for both majors: PSY 2630, 2730, 2740, 2810 and 2910.
- ❖ Pre-psychology requirements changed after the Fall 2011 catalog. If you started your major prior to that date, please contact the psychology advisor to discuss your options.
- ❖ A minimum of 9 credit hours must be taken toward the major from the WMU Psychology department.
- ❖ For more specific information about the psychology majors, or to declare your major, please contact psychology advising below.

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For general education advising or world language requirement questions:
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