



## Suggested Schedule To Earn An Associate Degree

This pathway meets requirements for the Associate of Arts - Direct Transfer Agreement (AA-DTA) with an emphasis in Psychology. This sample schedule assumes a fall start. If you wish to take alternate courses not listed below please meet with a North advisor to confirm you're still meeting AA degree requirements.

### Before You Start

- Pre-College Math or ABE (if needed).
- Pre-College English, ABE or ESL (if needed).

### To Do

- Apply for Financial Aid or other funding before your first quarter. Visit the Financial Aid Office to explore how to pay for college.
- Transfer previous college credits to [North](#).
- Explore placement options: take the math and English placement test if needed.
- Attend New Student Orientation.

## Year One

### Credits

#### Quarter 1 (Fall)

- Integrated Studies Requirement
- ENGL& 101 English Composition I
- PSYC 245 Social Psychology ..... 10

#### Quarter 2 (Winter)

- MATH& 141 Precalculus I .....5
- PSYC& 100 General Psychology .....5

#### Quarter 3 (Spring)

- MATH& 142 Precalculus II .....5
- PSYC 209 Fundamental of Psychological Research .....5

## Year Two

#### Quarter 4 (Summer)

- SOC& 101 Introduction to Sociology .....5
- ENGL& 102 Composition II .....5

#### Quarter 5 (Fall)

- PSYC& 200 Lifespan Psychology or  
PSYC 230 Human Sexuality or  
PSYC& 220 Abnormal Psychology .....5
- World Language I .....5

#### Quarter 6 (Winter)

- World Language II or  
CMST& 220 Public Speaking .....5
- BIOL 128 Survey of Human Anatomy & Physiology .....5

#### Quarter 7 (Spring)

- World Language III or  
PSYC 217 Introduction to Probability & Statistics  
CMST& 220 Public Speaking .....5
- ART& 100 Art Appreciation or  
HUM 200 Reading the Media or  
any VLPA course .....5

#### Quarter 8 (Summer)

- ART 255 Survey of Asian Art History or  
ANTH& 206 Cultural Anthropology .....5
- PSYC 222 Survey of Physiological Psychology .....5

#### Quarter 9 (Fall)

- ENV& 101 Intro to Environmental Science Lab or  
NUTR& 101 Nutrition or  
HEA 150 Health & Human Sexuality .....5
- CMST& 205 Multicultural Communication or  
HUM 105 Intercultural Communication .....5

### Quarter 1

- Schedule an appointment with your assigned advisor in [Starfish](#) to discuss your goals and explore Integrated Studies options.
- Visit the Student Learning Center for tutoring.
- Explore careers and majors: workshops, counseling and career services.
- Drop by the [Library](#) to get help with research; check out resources; access computers and study space; and create media projects.

### Quarter 2

- Apply for financial aid for the upcoming academic year in Winter or Spring quarter to maximize your funding options.
- Check out campus life: student clubs, Equity & Welcoming Center, Fall Fest, etc.

### Quarter 3

- Create an educational plan with your assigned advisor.
- Apply for the Seattle Colleges Foundation Scholarship and other scholarships.
- Consider Student Leadership positions and other on-campus jobs.

### Quarter 4

- Research requirements and develop a list of four-year colleges and universities.
- Register for PSYC 220 next quarter if transferring to Western Washington University.

### Quarter 5

- Attend transfer workshops and a transfer fair.
- Visit potential universities and determine application deadlines.

### Quarter 6

- Update your educational plan with your assigned advisor.
- Contact and visit Psychology department at potential universities.
- Apply for financial aid for the upcoming academic year in Winter or Spring quarter to maximize your funding options.

### Quarter 7

- Attend Undergraduate Research Festival at University of Washington.
- Write your personal statement for university applications.

### Quarter 8

- Apply to universities or colleges and scholarships.
- Apply for graduation for the AA-DTA degree with your assigned advisor.

### Quarter 9

- Check in with university for transfer plan.
- Plan to attend the on-campus graduation fair and commencement ceremony in the spring.

# Pathway: AA-DTA With An Emphasis In Psychology (Part-Time)



## About the AA-DTA With An Emphasis In Psychology Pathway

This pathway meets requirements for the Associate of Arts - Direct Transfer Agreement (AA-DTA) with an emphasis in Psychology.. Completion of this degree opens doors to entry level employment in many sectors including non-profit, social work, healthcare, education, business, and government. It also allows you to transfer at the junior level into a Psychology program at a four-year college or university.

Students in this pathway develop an awareness of human behavior and thinking that will serve them in both personal and professional capacities. Other skills that are developed in psychology are: scientific literacy in reading and writing, critical thinking, familiarity with research, interpersonal awareness, group communication and collaboration, problem solving skills, information-finding skills, and time management. Competencies in these areas consistently rank at the top of employer wish lists.

## Career Opportunities

- Career Counselor
- Criminal Investigator
- Educator
- Management Consultant
- Human Resources Specialist
- Corrections Officer
- Community Organizer
- Social Services Aide
- News or Technical Writer
- Public Relations Specialist
- Research Assistant
- Preschool Teacher
- Investment Fund Manager
- Volunteer Coordinator

A Bachelor's degree or higher may be required for some careers listed above. For current employment and wage estimates, please visit [www.bls.gov/oes](http://www.bls.gov/oes).

## Future Education Opportunities

Once you complete the AA-DTA degree, additional education opportunities include:

- A Bachelor of Arts or Science degree in Psychology, or a related field at a four-year college or university.
- A Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree at one of the Seattle Colleges.

North Seattle College has direct transfer agreements with four-year institutions throughout Washington state, including the University of Washington, Washington State University, and Seattle University. Psychology graduates from North have also transferred to out-of-state institutions.

Program and admissions requirements vary from college-to-college. Contact an advisor to create an educational plan tailored to transfer to the institution of your choice.

## Class Times/Delivery Format?

North Seattle College offers day or evening courses: on-campus, hybrid (part on-campus, part online), or online communications Monday-Friday.

## Find Out More

Visit [northseattle.edu/programs/psychology](http://northseattle.edu/programs/psychology) to learn more about this pathway, or contact the Social Sciences, Humanities, and Languages Area of Study advisor at [northseattle.edu/advising/contact](http://northseattle.edu/advising/contact) or 206-934-3658.

## Length of Program

90 credits = 9 quarters if you take 10 credits each term.

*Students who take 15 credits each quarter may earn their degree faster, qualify for more financial aid, and earn more money over their lifetime because they complete their schooling faster.*

## Which quarter can I begin?

Any.

## Approximate Costs Each Quarter

Tuition and fees for WA State residents:..... \$1282.60

Books, Supplies and Miscellaneous costs:.....\$475

*\*Please note that these costs are estimates and may vary.*

## Apply for Financial Aid and Other Funding

All students in need should apply for financial aid – do not assume you are not eligible!

Visit <https://northseattle.edu/financial-aid> to learn more about the application steps and types of financial aid available, including grants and scholarships you don't have to pay back.