

Behavioral Science



Why Behavioral Science?

The Behavioral Science degree at Manchester Community College provides a comprehensive curriculum in psychology and sociology, as well as a solid foundation in general education, so that students may discover and explore academic interests while preparing for future baccalaureate programs. Aligning with coursework offered at four-year institutions, the Behavioral Science degree seeks to provide students with multiple courses in psychology and sociology, offering the first two years of a Bachelor of Arts degree in Behavioral Science.

The Behavioral Science degree is designed for students who are planning to pursue a four-year degree in the areas of psychology, sociology or human/social service disciplines. Through a variety of theoretical and practical applications, courses focus on how underlying concepts, theories and principles affect human behavior and societal systems.

Program outcomes

Students who graduate from this program will be able to:

- Demonstrate a solid foundation of basic theoretical and practical knowledge in the behavioral sciences
- Comprehend key concepts and terminology in the behavioral sciences
- Engage in practical application of common behavioral science theories
- Conduct ethically sound research within the behavioral science field
- Think critically and analytically
- Communicate effectively through oral and written skills
- Exhibit cultural sensitivity and appreciation of diversity, both locally and globally

Potential Jobs

- Social Worker
- Sociologist
- Family Therapist
- Case Manager
- Substance Abuse Professional
- Rehabilitation Counselor
- School Psychologist
- Behavioral Specialist

Transfer Opportunities

Students in the Behavioral Science degree can successfully transfer to colleges and universities around the country, including the following:

- UNH Manchester
- Southern NH University
- Granite State College
- Keene State College
- Plymouth State University
- Rivier University
- University of New Hampshire

...and many more!

A degree in Behavioral Science is just the beginning of a pathway that leads to many careers.

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Degree Requirements

Behavioral Science Degree

Degree Program - First Year

First Year	Fall Semester	TH	LAB	CR
PSYC110M	Introduction to Psychology	3	0	3
FYE100M	MCC Essentials	1	0	1
ENGL110XM or ENGL110M	College Composition I with Corequisite or College Composition I	4	0	4
	Mathematics Elective (<i>can be 3 or 4 credits</i>)	3	0	3
	Foreign Language/Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3	0	3
	Total	14	0	14

First Year	Spring Semester	TH	LAB	CR
SOCI110M	Introduction to Sociology****	3	0	3
PSYC210M	Human Growth and Development	3	0	3
	Political Science or History Elective	3	0	3
ENGL113M	Introduction to Public Speaking	3	0	3
	Lab Science Elective (BIOL, CHEM, ESCI, ENVS, GEOL, PHYS)	3	3	4
	Total	15	3	16

Degree Program - Second Year

Second Year	Fall Semester	TH	LAB	CR
PSYC215M	Abnormal Psychology***	3	0	3
	Psychology/Sociology Elective*	3	0	3
MATH202M	Probability and Statistics	4	0	4
	English Literature Elective	3	0	3
	Foreign Language/Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3	0	3
	Total	16	0	16

Second Year	Spring Semester	TH	LAB	CR
LBSC299M	Behavioral Science Capstone	3	0	3
SOCI250M	Multiculturalism**	3	0	3
	Psychology/Sociology Elective*	3	0	3
ENGL220M	College Composition II	4	0	4
	Life Science Lab Elective (BIOL)	3	3	4
	Total	16	3	17

Total Credits - 63

Students must take a minimum of three (3) 200 level Behavioral Science courses at MCC to meet residency requirements.

*Psychology/Sociology Electives - choose from: PSYC205M, PSYC217M, PSYC220M, PSYC225M, PSYC234M, PSYC235M, SOCI145M, SOCI205M, SOCI210M.

**Students may only receive credit for one section of each of the following topics courses: PSYC205M and SOCI205M

***Denotes milestone course which must be taken / passed in the semester indicated to maintain good standing in the degree program

****Students in this program must successfully complete SOCI110M and may not take SOCI109M. Credit will not be awarded for both courses.

New Hampshire Transfer Connections

The NH Transfer Connections program streamlines the transfer process between schools in the Community College System of NH (CCSNH) and schools in the University System of NH (USNH). Requirements for participants are outlined at nhtransfer.org/connections-program; additional information can also be obtained from MCC's Career Development & Transfer Services.

An articulation agreement exists for MCC Liberal Arts/Behavioral Science students to transfer to UNH-Manchester Psychology degree program. For details and criteria, please visit MCC's Career and Transfer Office.



All courses and degree requirements are subject to change. For the most current information on MCC programs, visit mccnh.edu.

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