

# **ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

Between

**Northwestern Michigan College**  
A.S.A. Degree with a concentration in Psychology

And

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## Article I

### Agreement on Principle

Northern Michigan University and Northwestern Michigan College agree that students who choose to transfer from a community college to a senior college or university to earn a bachelor's degree should be provided with a smooth curriculum transition that minimizes loss of credit and duplication of coursework. Therefore, Northern Michigan University and Northwestern Michigan College agree to enter into this curriculum articulation agreement for students who complete the **A.S.A. with a concentration in Psychology** at Northwestern Michigan College and transfer to NMU to complete the **Bachelors of Science in Psychology**. Both institutions enter into this agreement as cooperating, equal partners who shall maintain the integrity of their separate programs.

## Article II

### Agreement on Program Specifics

Northern Michigan University and Northwestern Michigan College agree that any student who has successfully completed the minimum requirements outlined on the attached articulation guide may transfer the course credits indicated toward the Bachelors of Science in Psychology at Northern Michigan University. Students who follow this articulated program agreement must apply and be admitted to Northern Michigan University. Northwestern Michigan College students will receive equal consideration with other students seeking admission and financial aid. The bachelor's degree graduation requirements for students who follow this articulated program agreement are listed on the attached articulation guide.

## Article III

### Agreement on Communication

Northern Michigan University and Northwestern Michigan College agree to cooperate in communication with each other and with their common and respective publics concerning the established relationship between the two institutions. Communication may include the development of various kinds of publications to inform those who might benefit personally or professionally from the opportunities provided by this agreement. Faculty and staff at both institutions will share the information in this agreement with interested and qualified students and both institutions will provide counseling and advising to students and prospective students.

## Article IV

### Agreement on Maintenance and Review Procedures

At least one administrative or faculty member from each institution will be appointed to act as agents for the implementation of this agreement, to speak for the institutions and to communicate changes to respective faculty members, advisors, counselors, and others to whom the information is pertinent. Responsibility for oversight of this agreement rests with Dr. Stephen Siciliano, Vice President for Educational Services at Northwestern Michigan College and the Associate Provost for Academic Affairs at Northern Michigan University.

Both parties agree to communicate annually any changes in their respective programs that may affect this articulation agreement. During the third year, both parties will review the agreement for revision and possible renewal. If the agreement is not reviewed by the end of the effective agreement, Northwestern Michigan College students who started the articulated program prior to termination of the agreement, will be given three additional years to be admitted to NMU under terms of this agreement.

**Note Regarding Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA):** Students who transfer to Northern Michigan University from a Michigan community college and who have *Michigan Transfer Agreement Satisfied* posted on their transcript will be considered to have met the requirements of NMU's General Education program. Students will still be expected to complete all other degree requirements, including graduation requirements (World Cultures requirement, Laboratory Science requirement, and Math and English Competency requirement) and any courses listed as "Other Required Courses" that may also be General Education courses. Degree requirements can be found at [www.nmu.edu/catalog](http://www.nmu.edu/catalog). Transfer students who do not complete the entire block of courses required by the MTA will receive credit for courses they do complete on the basis of individual evaluation and established transfer equivalencies.

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## Introduction:

The purpose of this articulation agreement is to provide a smooth transition for students who want to earn an A.S.A. degree with a concentration in Psychology at Northwestern Michigan College prior to a transfer to Northern Michigan University to complete a B.S. degree in Psychology. As displayed in this document, the first and second years of coursework are completed at Northwestern Michigan College and third and fourth years at NMU.

The psychology major educates students on the primary fields of the science of psychology. The major prepares students for occupations in psychology and for graduate degree programs in psychology by providing advanced coursework and laboratory experiences. The major provides a core curriculum, breadth courses, and concentration areas within psychology. Students majoring in psychology must complete all psychology courses, both transfer and NMU, with a grade of "C-" or higher.

This program is offered on-campus and two specific concentrations are offered through the Global Campus Online program (Interdisciplinary and Mental Health/Pre-Clinical Psychology). Ask your admissions counselor about your options for pursuing this degree online or reach out to [online@nmu.edu](mailto:online@nmu.edu).

## Effective Dates:

The effective dates of this agreement are from **January 10, 2025-January 10, 2028**. If this agreement is not renewed at the end of the effective period, students who have already started this articulated program at Northwestern Michigan College will be given three additional years to be admitted to NMU under the terms of this agreement. Students, who began the program prior to the effective date, may use the agreement to the extent that the requirements completed are consistent with this agreement.

### First and Second Years at Northwestern Michigan College:

A maximum of 90 semester credits may transfer to NMU from a two-year college. Unless otherwise designated, a grade of C- or higher is required for transfer to NMU. The following section is a *suggestion* for Northwestern Michigan College's A.S.A degree with restricted selections to meet the Michigan Transfer Agreement and the World Cultures Graduation Requirement at Northern Michigan University.

*Note: Elective classes may vary in credit amount in order for the student to meet the 60-credit hour requirement.*

NMC Course #	Northwestern Community College Course Title	Credit Hours	NMU Equivalent	NMU Degree Requirements
	<b>MTA Requirements</b>	<b>31-34</b>		
ENG 111	English Composition	4	EN 111	
ENG 112	English Composition II	4	EN 211	MTA/NMU Written Competency (need at least a C)
Humanities	Humanities: two group 1 classes from different departments: art, history, humanities, literature, music, philosophy, second-year foreign language	6-8		MTA
Mathematics	One group 1 mathematics class <b>Recommended MTH 131</b>	3-4	DATA 109	MTA
Science	Two group 1 classes from different departments: astronomy, anthropology, economics, geography, political science, sociology. At least one course must contain a transferable lab component. Select one from: Ast 109 and Ast 109L, Ast 119 and Ast 119L, Bio 108 and Bio 108L, Bio 115 & Bio 115L, Bio 116 and Bio 116L, Chm 101 and Chm 101L, Chm 150 and chm 150L and chm 150R, Env 103 and Env 103L, Env 104 and Env 104L, Env 111 and Env 111L, Env 117 and Env 117L, Env 131 and Env 131L, Phy 105 and Phy 105L, Phy 121 and Phy 121L, Phy 221 and Phy 221L and Phy 221R	8		MTA and NMU Lab Graduation Requirement
Social Science	Select one social science class from the following departments: anthropology, economics, geography, political science, sociology	3		MTA
	<b>Psychology Courses</b>	<b>16</b>		
PSY 100	Career Exploration and Planning	1	PSY 160	Major Core Requirement
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY 101	MTA/Major Core Requirement
PSY 211	Developmental Psychology	3	PSY 210	Breadth Area Requirement
PSY 223	Intro to Social Psychology	3	PSY 220	Breadth Area Requirement
PSY 250	Abnormal Psychology	3	PSY 240	Mental Health/Pre-Clinical Psychology Concentration
PSY 221	Psychology of Personality	3	PSY 325	Mental Health/Pre-Clinical Psychology Concentration or Social/Personality Psychology Concentration or Interdisciplinary Psychology Concentration
	<b>Additional Electives</b>	<b>13-14</b>		
	Select at least one course that meets the World Cultures Requirement at NMU (example: HST 101, HST 102, HST 211, HUM 116, PHL 122, ANT 113, GEO 109, or speak with an adviser)	3-4		World Cultures Graduation Requirement
	Additional electives to meet the 60-credit requirement for the associate degree	10		General Electives
	<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	<b>60-64</b>		

MTA will be met with this Agreement. Additional Electives can be any transferable course to Northern Michigan University.

### Third and Fourth Years at NMU

The third and fourth years of NMU's Psychology, B.S. degree are comprised of 60 credits. To qualify for a bachelor's degree at NMU, students must meet all graduation requirements, which include the courses listed below at NMU.

NMU Course #	NMU Course Title	Credit Hours	NMU Degree Requirements
<b>First Semester</b>		<b>16</b>	
PSY 201	Psychological Research I: Statistical Applications	4	Major Core Requirement/Math Competency
PSY 230	Learning and Cognition	4	Breadth Area Requirement
PSY 250 or PSY 251	Brain and Behavior or Topics on Brain and Behavior	4	Breadth Area Requirement/ Lab Graduation Requirement
	General Elective or optional Minor	4	General Elective
	<b>Choose one of the following concentration areas:</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interdisciplinary Psychology</li> <li>• Brain and Behavior Psychology</li> <li>• Developmental Psychology</li> <li>• Mental Health/Pre-Clinical Psychology</li> <li>• Social/Personality Psychology</li> <li>• Cognitive and Behavioral Psychology</li> </ul>		
<b>Second Semester</b>		<b>16</b>	
PSY 202	Psychological Research II: Experimental Design and Methodology	4	Major Core Requirement
	Meet with adviser and select concentration courses	8	Concentration/Optional Minor/ or Electives
	Concentration Course/Elective/ Optional Minor Course	4	Concentration/Optional Minor/ or Electives
<b>Third Semester</b>		<b>16</b>	
	Meet with your adviser to determine what additional courses may be needed for the selected concentration or optional minor due to possible transfer credit deficiencies. If concentration courses are met and a minor is not selected, student will need to select electives to meet the 120-credit degree requirement.		Concentration/Optional Minor/ or Electives
<b>Fourth Semester</b>		<b>12</b>	
PSY 489	Graduate Assessment for Psychology Majors	0	Major Core Requirement
	Meet with your adviser to determine what additional courses may be needed for the selected concentration or optional minor due to possible transfer credit deficiencies. If concentration courses are met and a minor is not selected, student will need to select electives to meet the 120-credit degree requirement.	12	Concentration/Optional Minor/ or Electives
<b>Total Credit Hours:</b>		<b>60</b>	

**Suggested Course Sequence:**

Third Year	Fourth Year
<p><u>Fall Semester:</u>                      PSY 201 4 cr.                      PSY 230 4 cr.                      PSY 250 or PSY 251 4 cr.                      General Elective or Optional Minor 4 cr.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Semester Total: 16 cr.</p>	<p><u>Fall Semester:</u>                      Meet with your adviser to determine what additional courses may be needed for the selected concentration or optional minor due to possible transfer credit deficiencies. If concentration courses are met and a minor is not selected, student will need to select electives to meet the 120-credit degree requirement.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Semester Total: 16 cr.</p>
<p><u>Winter Semester:</u>                      PSY 202 4 cr.                      Concentration Courses 8 cr.                      Concentration, Optional Minor or Electives 4 cr.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Semester Total: 16 cr.</p>	<p><u>Winter Semester:</u>                      PSY 489 0 cr.                      Meet with your adviser to determine what additional courses may be needed for the selected concentration or optional minor due to possible transfer credit deficiencies. If concentration courses are met and a minor is not selected, student will need to select electives to meet the 120-credit degree requirement.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Semester Total: 12 cr.</p>

**Additional Graduation Requirements:**

1. At least 8 credits of the major and 4 credits of the optional minor must be earned at NMU.
2. A total of 120 credit hours with a minimum of 30 earned at NMU, and a minimum NMU GPA of 2.0 must be earned for any degree.
3. Any minimum grade or GPA requirements for the major and/or minor must be met.
4. NMU's General Education Program and all graduation requirements must be completed by the student, including the World Cultures requirement, Laboratory Science requirement, and Math and English Competency requirement.

**Notes to Students:**

1. Complete the articulated program as indicated in this articulation guide. Any course substitutions should only be made with the guidance of an advisor or counselor to assure that all requirements are met;
2. Students are encouraged to meet with the Psychology Department student success adviser at NMU early, before completing an admission application to NMU;
3. A copy of the articulation agreement should be brought to all advising sessions. Copies of this agreement are available on the [NMU Undergraduate Admissions Website](#) and at the [Academic Affairs Office, NMU](#).

Based on NMU's 2024-2025 University Bulletin

For further information regarding the selection and transfer of courses, contact one of NMU's Transfer Admissions Counselors, at 1-800-682-9797 or [transfer@nmu.edu](mailto:transfer@nmu.edu).



