BACHELOR OF SCIENCE – PSYCHOLOGY

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY – FACULTY OF ARTS
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This guide has been created by the School of Arts & Sciences at Red Deer College using information attained from the University of Calgary’s academic calendar and through consultation with the University of Calgary. This planning guide highlights only major points regarding admission and transfer.

Students are advised to read the University of Calgary academic calendar for full program and transfer information; for further details regarding Psychology, visit: http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/academic-schedule.html

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1. Student’s pursuing a Bachelor of Science Psychology from the U of C will need to complete specific science courses in order to finish the degree. These courses are not required to transfer, but are recommended to complete in your first 2 years. There is lots of flexibility regarding the order and time you wish to complete them. If you do not wish to take these courses in your first year replace with an option course.

The equivalent science courses RDC offers towards this degree are:
- **Chemistry**: CHEM 211 & CHEM 212
- **Biology**: BIOL 217 & BIOL 218 (can be completed in any order/term)
- **Mathematics**: MATH 202 or 203 & MATH 221 (can be completed in any order/term)
- **Physics**: PHYS 205 *(this course does not have a PHYS 30 pre-requisite, although it is recommended)*

2. Students with a grade of 70% or higher in Math 31 can take MATH 203 instead of MATH 202.

3. Examples of available Arts & Science Options for the 2019-2020 academic year can be viewed here: https://rdc.ab.ca/node/80375/attachment
   (You can pick up this printout from the School of Arts & Sciences in Room 2203 or view it on the Loop)

   Not all of these courses may be transferable to your University (though the majority are). Remember to visit Transfer Alberta to check for course transferability, or check with an advisor.

4. U of C Psychology students are required to complete 15 credits in specific Psychology courses before graduation. You will not be able to complete all of these requirements as an RDC student, nor are they required to complete prior to transfer. Below are the courses students will be required to complete in their degree.
   - PSYC 341
   - PSYC 375
   - Choose 9 credits (3 courses) from: PSYC 353*, PSYC 357*, PSYC 358, PSYC 369, PSYC 383, PSYC 389
     *Note: *A maximum of 3 credits from PSYC 353 or PSYC 357 can be used to fulfill this requirement.

5. PSYC 313 and PSYC 314 are 3-credit Psychology courses that replaced the former 6-credit Psychology Statistics class, PSYC 312. *These courses are currently pending formal transfer agreements. Talk to an advisor if you have questions.*
IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW

University of Calgary calendar entry for Bachelor of Arts: http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/arts.html

It is highly advised you read and consult the University of Calgary calendar as it will have the answers to many questions, as well as provide information on the specifics of the program.

1. You are allowed a maximum of 24 transfer credits in your Major field. Pay close attention to how many credits of your major you are registered in when you begin registering for Year 2 courses.

2. Students are able to take a maximum of 60 credits in transfer courses. A Bachelor of Science degree is typically 120 credits, and at least half the degree must be completed while registered as a University student at the institution granting your degree.

3. Transfer Admission Grade Point Average (AGPA) Will be calculated using the most recent course work to a maximum of 30 units, unless otherwise specified by the faculty. All courses attempted within a term will be included except where the number of courses taken within a term results in the overall number of units exceeding 30 units. Should this occur, the highest grades from the oldest term being considered will be used to calculate the GPA. In some faculties prerequisite courses will be included first. Grades in high school equivalent courses offered by post-secondary institutions will not be used in determining the transfer admission GPA. For more information on transfer, please consult the University of Calgary calendar http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/a-5-3.html.

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND

- A minimum grade of C- is recommended to maximize transferability (“D” grades can transfer, depending on the circumstance). In addition, any course that is a pre-requisite to a higher level course requires a grade of C- to count for credit. Please talk to an Academic Advisor as soon as possible if you feel you may be in jeopardy of not getting at least a C- in a course you are enrolled in.

- Spring term courses: a spring term course may be taken in year of transfer if it is not required for admission to the program. The grade will not be calculated in the AGPA nor will it count towards Fall/Winter course load. Ensure the transcript submitted shows registration in the spring course. Please speak to an Advising & Recruiting Specialist if you want to take a Spring Course.

- Junior Courses: Do not take more than 48 credits (generally 16 courses) at the “Junior Level.” Junior Level courses will transfer to the University of Calgary at the “200 level.”

- Application and document deadlines: March 1.
- Visit http://www.ucalgary.ca/admissions/dates for more detailed information on Application dates and deadlines as they can change each year.
HOW TO FIND MORE INFORMATION

School of Arts & Sciences  Room 2203  
Advising & Recruiting  artscienceinfo@rdc.ab.ca  
403-342-3585 (select option 1)  
www.rdc.ab.ca/artsandsciences  

Alberta Transfer Guide  
http://transferalberta.alberta.ca  

University of Calgary  
http://www.ucalgary.ca/  
Faculty of Arts  
1-403-220-3580 (faculty of arts)  
1-403-220-5881 (student success program advisors)  
arts@ucalgary.ca (faculty of arts)  
success@ucalgary.ca (student success program advisors)  
Website: http://arts.ucalgary.ca (faculty of arts homepage)  

PLEASE NOTE:  
This planning guide is designed to help you choose courses at RDC that will transfer to your destination institution and towards your intended degree. The recommendations in this guide are based off current RDC courses that transfer to the institution identified in this guide, as well as information provided by the institution (either through printed publication and/or communication between our institutions).  
Institutions can make changes to their program and/or transfer requirements without consulting Red Deer College. As such, it is recommended you consult with the appropriate institutional information (i.e. university calendars, websites, advisors,) to gain the most up to date information.  
You are responsible for ensuring that your registration is completed, and that your course choices comply with the program to which you have been admitted to at RDC and/or to the university to which you wish to transfer. This planning guide is meant to help you gain a basic understanding of your program and provide suggestions for course sequencing.  
You are cautioned that any changes to your courses, your major, or your transfer destination may adversely affect your transferable credit or admission requirements for future programs. Consult with the student advisor (above) if you have any questions.  
Students in university transfer programs are strongly advised to refer to the calendar of the university that they wish to attend, and should contact appropriate university departments as required.