College of Lake County Transfer Guide
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology

Available at:
NEIU Main Campus (Chicago, IL)
University Center (Grayslake, IL)

Program Description

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology prepares students for careers that require research and analytical skills, such as careers in community and social services, as well as in human resource and personnel positions in business and industrial settings. Students will also be well prepared for pursuing graduate education in any of the professional or academic areas of psychology and many other fields including law and medicine.

Contact Information

Northeastern Illinois University Transfer Center: Students who have questions about the program prior to admission may contact the Northeastern Transfer Center at the University Center: (847) 665-4173. To reach us at the main Chicago campus, please call (773) 442-4076 or email TransferSteps@neiu.edu.

University Center: For more information about the UC or to schedule an appointment, contact Tonia Baxter, Recruitment Specialist/Advisor at (847) 665-4014 or tbaxter@ucenter.org. Current schedules, program updates and upcoming events are available on their website: www.ucenter.org.

Admission Requirements

- Students must have earned a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher for all college or university course work attempted. Students must be in good academic standing at the last college or university attended.
- Required documents are: application for admission, $30 nonrefundable application fee, and official transcripts from all colleges and universities.
- Additional Admission and application materials, including the option to apply online can be found at www.neiu.edu/Transfer.
- Application deadlines are as follows:

		International Applicants
Fall	July 1	June 1
Spring	November 1	October 1
Summer I	April 1	March 1
Summer II	May 1	April 1

Psychology Major Requirements

Northeastern Illinois University Psychology Major: 30-31 credits		
Northeastern Illinois University Course	**Credits**	**College of Lake County Equivalent (if any)**
PSYC 200 General Psychology	4	PSY 121 Introduction to Psychology
PSYC 202 WIP: Statistics and Research Methods I **(This course must be completed at Northeastern)**	3	Prerequisites for this course can be fulfilled at CLC by taking ENG 121 – English Comp I *and* MTH 108 – Intermediate Algebra ("C" grade or higher in each course)
PSYC 302 Statistics and Research Methods II	3	Prerequisite for this course can be fulfilled at CLC by taking ENG 122 – English Comp II
Three Core Courses, <u>one from each</u> of the following three categories		
PSYC 350 Physiological Psychology PSYC 370 Theories of Learning PSYC 373 Human Perception PSYC 375 Cognitive Psychology	3	*No Equivalencies at College of Lake County.*
PSYC 330 Psychology of Personality PSYC 340 Abnormal Psychology	3	*No Equivalencies at College of Lake County.*
PSYC 310 Developmental Psychology PSYC 360 Social Psychology	3	*No Equivalencies at College of Lake County.*
Two elective courses in psychology (One elective must be taken at the 300 level at Northeastern)	6	*Northeastern recommends **<u>one</u>** of the following courses be taken as an elective at CLC:* PSY 221 Educational Psychology PSY 222 Child Growth & Development (*Equivalent to PSYC 215 at Northeastern*) PSY 223 Abnormal Psychology PSY 224 Theories of Personality PSY 225 Social Psychology PSY 226 Adolescent Development
A 300 level laboratory course • Selected from the department's current approved list. • Students must first take PSYC 302 and the appropriate courses from the list above	3	*No Equivalency at College of Lake County.*
Senior Capstone Project Proposed in advance with assistance from your faculty advisor and approved by the Department chairperson.	3	*No Equivalency at College of Lake County.*

Psychology Major Policies

- Students must earn a grade of "C" or higher in all courses counted toward the major. No "P" grades will count toward a major. Psychology courses with "D" grades may be used as university electives.
- A maximum of one 200-level course, in addition to General Psychology, may be used within the major. All others shall be 300-level.
- Transfer courses must be approved by the department before being applied to the major or minors.
- For transfer students, at least one half of the courses applied to the major (15 semester hours) must be taken at Northeastern.
- No more than two courses, or six credit hours, in transfer from a community college, may be applied to the Psychology major. Any remaining hours may be used as university electives. Community college courses may not be used to fulfill 300-level Northeastern requirements.

General Education Requirements

Three options are available to students who plan to complete their General Education requirements at CLC.

- **Associate of Arts or Associate of Science:** Students who transfer with an approved Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) Model Associate of Arts or Sciences degree will have met Northeastern Illinois University's General Education Requirements. For information regarding completing an Associate of Arts or Sciences at CLC, including assistance with course selection, please visit the Counseling, Admissions, and Transfer Center at CLC. More information is available at their website (www.clcillinois.edu/depts/cou/) or by calling (847) 543-2060.

- **Completion of the *Illinois General Education Core Curriculum (GECC):*** Students who transfer after completing the Illinois GECC will have met their General Education requirements. For information regarding the Illinois General Education Core Curriculum, including courses at CLC that fulfill General Education requirements, please visit the iTransfer web site at www.itransfer.org.

- ***Transfer Course Lists* for CLC**: Students may choose to meet their General Education requirements by selecting courses from Northeastern's Transfer Course Equivalency Guides, available at: www.neiu.edu/Transfer. ***When choosing this option, please use the following Northeastern Illinois University General Education guide:***

Northeastern Illinois University General Education Program The General Education Program requires a minimum of **39 credit hours** of courses distributed among 5 areas.		
Northeastern Illinois University Requirement	**Credits**	**College of Lake County Equivalent (if any)**
Math / Quantitative Reasoning – one course	3	• Students who major in Psychology at Northeastern fulfill this requirement by taking PSYC 302 – Statistics and Research Methods II.
Social / Behavioral Sciences **4 courses**	12	• Majors in Psychology may waive up to six credit hours of General Education requirements in Social/Behavioral Sciences. • It is recommended that students take two Psychology courses to meet this requirement as they will also count toward the major: 1.) PSY 121 Introduction to Psychology 2.) **One** of the following: • PSY 220 Lifespan Development • PSY 222 Child Growth & Development
Natural Sciences **3 courses**	9	*See the Transfer Course Equivalency Guide for a listing of courses that meet this requirement at College of Lake County. • No more than two courses from the same department may be used. • One course must have a **lab** component.
Fine Arts **2 courses**	6	*See the Transfer Course Equivalency Guide for a listing of courses that meet this requirement at College of Lake County. • No more than one course from the same department may be used.
Humanities **3 courses**	9	*See the Transfer Course Equivalency Guide for a listing of courses that meet this requirement at College of Lake County. • No more than two courses from the same department may be used. • No more than two foreign language courses may be used to fulfill this requirement.

- ***Please note:*** Northeastern does not offer lower division (general education and prerequisite) courses at the University Center.
- ***Please visit www.neiu.edu/Transfer and click on the Transfer Course Equivalency Link to view list of courses.***

Northeastern Illinois University Degree Requirements

1.) **General Education:** 39 credit hours (see requirements above)

2.) **English 101 or equivalent (grade of "C" or higher):** At CLC, take ENG 121 - English Composition I

3.) **Total Credits and Credit Levels:** A minimum of 120 semester hours must be earned by every undergraduate student to be eligible to graduate from Northeastern. **Students must complete a minimum of 24 semester hours at the 300 level and 18 semester hours at the 200 or 300 level.**

4.) **Major Program:** Undergraduate students must declare and complete a major. Students must earn a grade of "C" or higher in all courses counted toward the major. No "P" grades will count toward a major.

5.) **Residency:** Must complete a minimum of 30 credit hours at Northeastern.

6.) **GPA:** Students must have a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA (overall "C" average). Some academic programs and departments have other specific grade requirements.

7.) **Improving Human Relations:** The Improving Human Relations requirement may be met through the General Education program. Courses are available in both the Humanities and Social / Behavioral Sciences categories. You may choose a course that meets the Improving Human Relations requirement ***and*** Humanities or Social / Behavioral Sciences.

8.) **WIP (Writing Intensive Program):** Students must successfully complete a writing intensive course within their discipline. **This course must be completed at Northeastern.** Students completing the Bachelors of Arts in Psychology fulfill this requirement by taking PSYC 202 - WIP: Statistics and Research Methods I.

Transfer Policies

- Students with an AA or AS degree from an Illinois Community College and/or completion of the IAI will have fulfilled Northeastern Illinois University's general education requirements.
- A maximum of 64 semester hours may be transferred to Northeastern from a community college. In cases where both a community college and university were attended, a maximum of 90 semester hours are accepted, with a maximum of 64 semester hours allowed at the community college level.
- Additional information about transferring and transfer policies are available at www.neiu.edu/Transfer.

Tuition, Financial Aid and Scholarships

Northeastern Illinois University is committed to providing an affordable education. That's why our tuition and fees are among the most affordable of the Illinois Public Universities. We offer a **tuition guarantee program** that guarantees incoming students the same tuition rate for four years.

For information about financing your education at Northeastern, including Financial Aid and Scholarship opportunities, please see our website: www.neiu.edu/financial-aid/. You may also contact our Financial Aid Office directly at (773) 442-5016 or email Financial-Aid@neiu.edu. If you are completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), Northeastern's federal School code is **001693**.

Provost and Deans Merit Scholarships for TRANSFER students:

Provost Merit Scholarship
Scholarships in the amount of **$2,000** will be awarded to new transfers who meet the following criteria and who apply early for admission. Scholarships will be awarded on a first-come first-serve basis:

- Admitted entering transfer students with an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science (or at least 60 earned credits).
- Must have at least a cumulative transfer GPA of 3.50.
- Must be an Illinois resident.
- Must be enrolled full time at Northeastern.

Deans Merit Scholarship
Scholarships in the amount of **$1,000** will be awarded to new transfers who meet the following criteria and who apply early for admission. Scholarships will be awarded on a first-come first-serve basis:

- Admitted entering transfer students with an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science (or at least 60 earned credit hours.
- Must have at least a cumulative transfer GPA of 3.00.
- Must be an Illinois resident.
- Must be enrolled full time at Northeastern.

Until all of the scholarships are awarded, students who meet these qualifications will automatically be considered for the Provost and Deans Merit Scholarships at the time of applying for admission to Northeastern Illinois University. Completing an additional application is not necessary. The Office of Scholarships may be reached at (773) 442-4606 or M-Morrow@neiu.edu.