

## BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

**Purpose:** The Our Lady of the Lake College Bachelor of Arts in Behavioral Sciences program promotes habits of critical inquiry and provides a broad knowledge base from which graduates enter directly into a variety of careers/professions or gain acceptance into graduate programs/professional schools. Design of the 127 credit hour curriculum is based upon the belief that well developed literacy and critical thinking skills, combined with a broad based understanding of individual and collective human experiences, prepare students to value life-long intellectual inquiry and to perform successfully in highly responsible positions within the community and work place. Some of the career tracks open to program graduates are in counseling, teaching, public service, law and ministry.

**Application Procedures:** Students should complete the regular application online at our website [olcollege.edu](http://olcollege.edu) indicating Behavioral Sciences as the selected program. Any questions related to the online application process should be addressed through the Admissions Office at 225-768-1700. There is no separate application process for a Behavioral Sciences Degree. At the appropriate time, the student is required to complete a *Declaration of Major* form, which is obtained from the Registrar's Office. This form must be signed by the Behavioral Sciences Program Advisor.

**Enrollment:** Students can be accepted into the program at the beginning of any term. Students may enroll on a full-time or part-time basis. Entering freshmen, transfer students, and students already holding a degree may begin coursework within the Behavioral Science Degree Program.

**Admission Requirements:** Requirements for acceptance into the program are the same as for acceptance to Our Lady of the Lake College.

1. Following admission to any Arts and Science bachelor's program, students MUST MEET with the program advisor every semester prior to pre-registering for the next semester.
2. Applicants must meet with a program advisor to develop a degree plan. All degree plans must be approved by the Dean of Arts and Sciences.
3. A student must declare the Bachelor of Arts in Behavioral Sciences as his/her major prior to completing the final 60 credit hours required for the degree.

**Tuition:** See the Published Tuition & Fee Schedule available from the Admissions Office or on our website.

**Financial Assistance:** Our Lady of the Lake College has financial aid counselors available to assist students with the financial aid process. All students are encouraged to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form this may be done online at [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov).

**Curriculum Requirements:** Students majoring in behavioral sciences must complete the 61 credit hour core curriculum. They then select from one of two 66 credit hour tracts within the behavioral sciences major: psychology or sociology. Each tract requires a minimum of 18 credit hours in the selected behavioral science discipline (the concentration).

Students must earn a "C" or better in ENGL 2320 (Academic Discourse) before enrolling in 3000 (junior) level courses. Exceptions must be approved by the Chair of the Liberal Arts Department.

Students must complete a minimum of 18 of the required 36 credit hours of behavioral sciences course work above the 3000 level. Behavioral science electives are courses from the social, organizational, political sciences, and psychology disciplines. A minimum of 12 credit hours of humanities course work must be above the 3000 level. Humanities courses are in these disciplines: anthropology, art, literature, foreign languages, history, linguistics, music, philosophy, and religion. Students must consult with the program advisor when selecting these courses.

**BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE - BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES - CURRICULUM PLAN**

<b>FRESHMAN YEAR</b>			
<b>Semester I</b>			<b>Credits</b>
ACSM	1110	Academic Seminar	1
ACSM	1310	Introduction to Baccalaureate Education	3
ENGL	1310	English I	3
MATH	1315	College Algebra	3
HIST	1310	World History I	3
LANG	1310	Select Spanish, French, or Latin as a foreign language sequence	3
<b>Semester II</b>			
ENGL	1311	English II	3
HIST	1311	World History II	3
LANG	1311	Select Spanish, French, or Latin as a foreign language sequence	3
PSYC	1310	Introduction to Psychology	3
CSCI	100	Introduction to Computers	3
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>31</b>
<b>SOPHOMORE YEAR</b>			
<b>Semester I</b>			
ENGL	2310	Introduction to Literature	3
LANG		Foreign Language or Linguistics Elective	3
SCIE		Science Elective	3
Electives			6
<b>Semester II</b>			
ENGL	2320	Academic Discourse	3
LANG		Foreign Language or Linguistics Elective	3
PHIL	2315	Philosophy and Critical Thinking	3
Electives			6
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>30</b>
<b>JUNIOR YEAR</b>			
<b>Semester I</b>			
Major Electives			6
Math Elective			3
Adjunct Electives			6
<b>Semester II</b>			
Major Electives			9
Math Elective			3
Adjunct Electives			6
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>33</b>
<b>SENIOR YEAR</b>			
<b>Semester I</b>			
Major Electives			9
Adjunct Electives			6
Open Elective			3
<b>Semester II</b>			
Major Electives			9
Adjunct Electives			6
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>33</b>
<b>Total hours for Bachelor of Arts in Behavioral Sciences</b>			<b>127</b>

*Our Lady of the Lake College assures equal opportunity for all qualified persons without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age disability, marital status in the admission to, participation in, or employment of its program and activities. Our Lady of the Lake College will make reasonable special services and accommodations for students with learning or physical disabilities. Students desiring to self-identify may complete a Special Needs Assessment form available from any office at the college.*