

# Community Behavioral Health

## Associate of Applied Science in Community Behavioral Health Support

This academic guide is based on the 2026-2027 Missouri State University-West Plains Catalog. The time to complete the degree will vary, depending on remediation, summer enrollment, number of classes taken per semester, etc.

### Degree Requirements

General Education Requirements	Credit Hours
PSY 121 Introduction to Psychology	3
ENG 110 Writing I	3
MTH 100 or higher (SWK)	2
CIS 101 Computers for Learning	3
HST 121 Survey of US History to 1877 or	
HST 122 US History Since 1877 or	
PLS 101 American Democracy and Citizenship (SWK)	3
ENG 221 Writing II-Writing for the Professions	3
CFD 155 Principles of Human Development	3
COM 205 Interpersonal Communication Theory and Skills	3
PSY 274 Abnormal Psychology	3
<b>General Education Total:</b>	<b>26</b>

### Community Behavioral Health Support

BHS 200 Introduction to Community Behavioral Health*	2
BHS 210 Legal and Ethical Issues in Behavioral Health	3
BHS 220 Systems of Care in Behavioral Health Clients	3
BHS 230 Substance Abuse Disorders	3
BHS 240 Client Interactions I*	3
BHS 250 Chronic Health Care Issues	3
BHS 260 Family and Youth Issues	3
BHS 270 Client Interactions II*	3
BHS 280 Evidence Based Treatments*	4
BHS 291 Field Practicum I (90 hours)	2
BHS 292 Field Practicum II (135 hours)	3
BHS 293 Field Practicum III (135 hours)	3
<b>BHS Total</b>	<b>35</b>

**Total Hours Required:** **61**

The Associate of Applied Science in Community Behavioral Health Support works to prepare students for employment in community based behavioral health facilities immediately upon graduation by providing both real world experience and specialized training. Through field and internship experiences and tailored instruction, graduates will be fully prepared to enter a career in this challenging field.

Through a partnership with the Missouri Department of Mental Health, there are many local and statewide job opportunities in this field. Students will complete the program at an accelerated pace through a seated class format. Each BHS class will be offered in a cohort model with completion of each class of C or better to progress to the next semester of classes.

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### Recommended Two-Year Plan

	Course #	Credit Hours
Term 1-Fall	BHS 200	2
	ENG 110	3
	PSY 121	3
	CFD 155	3
	BHS 210	3
	BHS220	3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>

Milestone: Complete BHS classes (C or better)

	Course #	Credit Hours
Term 2-Spring	BHS 230	3
	BHS 240	3
	BHS 291	2
	CIS 101	3
	ENG 221	3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>

Milestone: Complete BHS classes (C or better)

	Course #	Credit Hours
Term 3-Fall	BHS 250	3
	BHS 260	3
	BHS 270	3
	BHS 292	3
	PLS 101	3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>

Milestone: Complete BHS classes (C or better)

	Course #	Credit Hours
Term 4-Spring	BHS 280	4
	BHS 293	3
	MTH 100 or higher	2
	COM 205	3
	PSY 274	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	