

## ACADEMIC COUNCIL REPORT

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### ACTION REQUESTED:

Recommendation   
Decision   
Discussion/Direction   
Information

**DATE: 22 February 2022**

**FROM: Undergraduate Studies Committee**

**SUBJECT: Major Program Modification – Advanced Entry and GAS Transfer Pathways for the Bachelor of Arts in Psychology**

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### COMMITTEE MANDATE:

In accordance with the Undergraduate Studies Committee (USC) Terms of Reference, USC has the responsibility “to examine proposals for new undergraduate degree programs and major changes to existing programs and to recommend their approval, as appropriate, to the Academic Council”.

### MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION:

That, pursuant to the recommendation of USC, Academic Council hereby approves the new Bachelor of Arts in Psychology Advanced Entry and GAS Transfer programs.

### BACKGROUND/CONTEXT & RATIONALE:

The Faculty is proposing to add pathways to the existing BA Psychology program. The program was created in 2019-2020 and creating pathways provide a streamlined opportunity for students who have successfully completed college credentials to enter the program. The General Arts and Science (GAS) Transfer pathway will allow students with a General Arts and Sciences Certificate - Liberal Arts to enter the 2nd year of the BA. Students with a 2-year Ontario College degree will enter the 4-year BA in General Psychology with transfer credits equivalent to 2 years towards the BA. College-University pathways are a core strength of Ontario Tech.

### RESOURCES REQUIRED:

There are no anticipated resource requirements.

### TRANSITION PLAN:

None required.

### CONSULTATION AND APPROVAL:

Undergraduate Studies Committee: 18 January 2022

Faculty Council: 21 December 2021

Curriculum Committee: 7 December 2021

**NEXT STEPS:**

- Pending the approval of Academic Council, this change will be included in the 2022-2023 Academic Calendar

**SUPPORTING REFERENCE MATERIALS:**

- Major Program Modification Proposal – [Advanced Entry](#)
- Major Program Modification Proposal – [GAS Transfer](#)