

What can I do with this major?

# Psychology

---

The academic study of the psychology program is enriched with practical experience in clinical and research settings. The program provides students the opportunity to investigate human behavior, the relationship between the mind and body, counseling theories and abnormal behavior.

## Skills/Competencies Associated with Psychology Majors:

- Empathic nature and cultural sensitivity
- Proficient interpersonal communicator
- High reading comprehension
- Ability to observe and organize
- Ability to conduct research, analyze and explain results
- Analytical mind and quantitative skills
- Understanding of human development and behaviors
- Ability to analyze problems and make recommendations

## Related Occupations:

Art Therapist  
Child Psychologist  
College Student Affairs  
Corporate Merchandising Mgr.  
Corrections Officer  
Counselor: Alcohol/Drug  
Counselor: Career/Employment  
Counselor: Crisis Intervention  
Counselor: Employment  
Counselor: School  
Criminologist  
Financial Advisor  
Health Educator  
Hospice Coordinator  
Hotel Management  
Human Resources  
Industrial Psychologist

Intake coordinator  
Market Research Analyst  
Marketing/Sales Manager  
Mental Health Professional  
Music Therapist  
Occupational Therapist  
Operations Manager  
Outplacement Specialist  
Physical Therapist  
Police Officer  
Prisoner Classification  
Interviewer  
Probation Officer  
Psychiatric Nurse  
Psychiatric Social Worker  
Psychiatrist  
Psychologist

Psychometrist  
Public Health Statistician  
Public Opinion Surveyor  
Public Relations  
Recreation Specialist  
Regulatory Administrator  
Social Worker  
Sociologist  
Speech Pathologist  
Statistician Analyst  
Teacher, higher education  
Technical  
Writer/Communicator  
Media Researcher  
Youth Corrections Officer

\* Some of these careers may involve acquiring additional education.

\* This is only a partial list and not meant to limit you. Come to Career Services to explore your options further.

### **Strategies:**

- Conduct informational interviews with people in fields of your interest
- Look into experiential learning opportunities (internships, coop, mentoring, externships, volunteer, etc.)
- Gain experience in advocacy
- Serve as a fundraiser
- Enhance knowledge of community problems
- Read psychological journals or articles
- Gain experience as a student leader/worker on campus
- Research career fields to learn what type of degree and subject areas are most appropriate

### **Resources:**

College Central Network

[www.collegecentral.com/gmc](http://www.collegecentral.com/gmc)

American Psychological Association

[www.apa.org](http://www.apa.org)

National Association of School Psychologists

[www.nasponline.org](http://www.nasponline.org)

Association for Psychological Science

[www.psychologicalscience.org](http://www.psychologicalscience.org)

Association of Black Psychologists

[www.abpsi.org](http://www.abpsi.org)

PsychWeb

[www.psywww.com](http://www.psywww.com)

Association of Women in Psychology

[www.awpsych.org](http://www.awpsych.org)

Online Psychology Career Center

[www.socialpsychology.org](http://www.socialpsychology.org)

LaSalle Non-Profit Center

[www.lasallenonprofitcenter.org](http://www.lasallenonprofitcenter.org)

American Counseling Association

[www.counseling.org](http://www.counseling.org)

Occupational Outlook Handbook

[www.bls.gov/oco](http://www.bls.gov/oco)

O\*NET OnLine

<http://online.onetcenter.org>

Human Resources

[www.shrm.org](http://www.shrm.org)

Idealist

[www.idealists.org](http://www.idealists.org)

InfoLinkPA

[www.infolinkpa.org](http://www.infolinkpa.org)

National Institute of Mental Health

[www.nimh.nih.gov](http://www.nimh.nih.gov)

Psychology—Online Resource Center

[www.psychcentral.com](http://www.psychcentral.com)

OpportunityKnocks

[www.opportunitynocs.org](http://www.opportunitynocs.org)

Social Service Jobs

[www.socialservice.com](http://www.socialservice.com)

---

**Gwynedd-Mercy College**

**Career Services**

215-646-7300, ext: 230

[careerservices@gmc.edu](mailto:careerservices@gmc.edu)

[www.gmc.edu/careerservices](http://www.gmc.edu/careerservices)