

Psychology

Curriculum

The Psychology Department's undergraduate program offers excellent training in understanding human behavior and conducting social science research. Students can opt for either a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree. Both plans require a total of 41 hours in psychology to include an introductory course along with a course in statistics and one in research methods. Students will gain an overview of the discipline along with opportunities to go into more depth in areas of specific interest. For example, students can earn up to six credit hours as a research assistant, six credit hours as a teaching assistant, and they have the option of completing a senior thesis. Upon graduating, knowledge and skills from the study of psychology can be applied towards entry-level positions in the workforce or graduate and professional training in a wide variety of fields.

Psychology majors develop the following skills:

- Communication (Oral and Written)
- Computer Literacy
- Critical Evaluation
- Data Analysis
- Diversity Awareness
- Data Management
- Information Search
- Interpersonal Awareness
- Measurement
- Numeracy
- Perspective-taking
- Problem solving
- Research Design
- Self-management
- Teamwork

Get Involved

American Indians into Psychology
 Association of Black Psychologists
 Psychology Club
 Psi Chi (International Honor Society in Psychology)
 Alpha Epsilon Delta (Pre-Health)
 American Medical Student Association
<https://campuslink.okstate.edu>

College of Arts & Sciences Career Services

213 Life Science East
 Tel: 405 744 5658

For appointments and resources:
<http://cascareers.okstate.edu>

Job and Internship Websites

- 172 Psychology and Related Careers
<http://teachpsych.org/resources/Documents/otrp/resources/appleby11.pdf>
- American Psychological Association
<http://www.apa.org/>
- Social Service Jobs
<http://www.socialservice.com/>
- Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services
<http://ok.gov/odmhsas/>
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
<http://www.samhsa.gov/>
- Association of Psychological Science
<http://www.psychologicalscience.org/>
- Oklahoma Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training
<http://www.ok.gov/cleet/>
- American Association for Marriage & Family Therapy
<http://www.aamft.org>
- American Counseling Association
<http://www.counseling.org/>
- American Mental Health Counselors Association
<http://www.amhca.org/>
- Market Research
<http://www.marketingresearch.org/>
- State of Oklahoma Employment
http://www.ok.gov/oesc_web/
- USA Jobs
<https://www.usajobs.gov/>
- Non-Profit Job Boards
<http://nonprofit-jobs.org/>
<https://www.workforgood.org/>

With a Bachelor's Degree:

Academic Research
Activities Director
Advertising
Alumni Relations
Business
Career Counselor
Caseworker
Child Development Specialist
Coach
Community Organization Worker
Consumer Psychologist
Corrections Officer
Criminal Investigator
Customer Service Supervisor/Department Manager
Disability Policy Worker/Case Manager
Education (e.g., child care worker, teacher's aide)
Human Resource Management
Information Specialist
Job Analyst
Police Officer
Public Relations
Real Estate Agent
Residential Care
Scientific Research (e.g., market research, opinion surveys)
Social and Human Services
Student Affairs (e.g., admissions, residential life, student activities)
Teaching
Technical Writer
Veterans Contact Representative
Volunteer Coordinator

Types of Employers

Colleges/Universities
Community Programs
Correctional Facilities
Business Corporations
Government Agencies
Group Homes
Hospitals
Insurance Firms
Juvenile Detention Facilities
Law Enforcement
Law Firms
Mental Health Agencies
Non-Profit Organizations
Nursing Homes
Primary/Secondary Schools
Religious Institutions
Research Institutions

Requiring Further Education (Master's, Ph.D., J.D., M.D.):

Academic Counselor/Advisor
Adult Clinical Psychology
Applied Behavior Analysis
Art Therapy
Biological Psychology
Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology
Cognitive Psychology
Comparative Psychology
Counseling Psychology
Developmental Psychology
Engineering or Human Factors Psychology
Evolutionary Psychology
Health Psychology
Industrial/Organizational Psychology
Lawyer
Marriage and Family Therapy
Medicine
Medical Social Worker
Music Therapy
Neuropsychology
Nursing
Pediatric Psychology
Personality Psychology
Psychological Study of Ethnic Minority Issues
Psychology and Law
Psychology of Religion and Spirituality
Psychology of Women
Quantitative Psychology
Social Psychology

Undergraduate Research

PSYC4990 is a class in which students work directly with a faculty member or graduate student concerning a specific research project. Duties may include, but are not limited to, literature reviews, running subjects, and scoring questionnaires. You may enroll in PSYC4990 for one to three credit hours; a maximum of six credit hours may count toward degree requirements. For more information on this, and on how to become a teaching assistant (PSYC3990), visit <http://psychology.okstate.edu/>