

PSYCHOLOGY



WHAT IS PSYCHOLOGY?

Psychology is a diverse discipline, grounded in science, but with nearly boundless applications in everyday life. Some psychologists do basic research, developing and testing theories through carefully honed research methods involving observation, experimentation, and analysis. Other psychologists apply the discipline's scientific knowledge to help people, organizations, and communities function better.

As psychological research yields new information, whether it's improved interventions to treat depression or how humans interact with machines, these findings become part of the discipline's body of knowledge. They are applied in work with patients and clients, in schools, corporate settings, the judicial system, and even in professional sports.

Psychologists study both normal and abnormal functioning and treat people with mental, behavioral, and emotional problems. They also study and encourage behaviors that build wellness and emotional resilience. Today, as the link between mind and body is well-recognized, psychologists collaborate with other health care providers to provide whole-person health care for individuals of all ages.

RELATED CAREER TITLES

Alcohol & Drug Counselor	Director, Human Resources	Investigator	Psychotherapist/Therapist
Advertising Specialist	Director, Rehabilitation Counseling	Job Analyst	Public Health Statistician
Art Therapist	Drug Abuse & Prevention Educator	Management Analyst	Public Relations Director
Behavioral Psychologist	Early Education Specialist	Market Research Analyst	Rape Crisis Services
Behavioral Health Technician	Forensic Psychologist	Marriage Counselor	Rehabilitation Services
Case Manager	Foster Care Services	Mediator	Researcher
Child Development Specialist	Geriatric Case Manager	Minority & Race Relations Specialist	School Psychologist
Child Welfare Worker	Guidance Counselor	Occupational Analyst Occupational	Service Counselor
Clinical Psychologist	Human Resource Specialist	Outpatient Therapist	Social Worker
Clinical Social Worker	Immigrant Services Worker	Police Officer	Sports Psychologist
Community Relations Director	Industrial Relations Manager	Pregnancy & Maternity Services	Suicide Prevention Service Specialist
Correctional Caseworker	Intensive Case Manager	Probation/Parole Officer	Trauma Support Specialist
Correctional Officer	Intensive Family Therapist	Psychiatric Assistant	Vocational Rehabilitation
Criminologist/Criminal Profiling	International Human Resource Manager	Psychometrist	Youth Services Specialist
Director, Counseling Center			

TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

Appreciation for civic and community engagement	Critical and Inferential Thinking	Insight to Deal Effectively with People	Problem Solving
Ability to Resolve or Mediate Conflicts	Decision Making	Interpersonal Communication (oral and written)	Respect for Individual Differences
Able to Observe, Analyze, & Interpret Information	Engage in Ethical Practice	Interviewing Techniques	Understanding of Group Dynamics
Able to Promote Healthy Relationships	Enhanced self-awareness	Knowledge of Human Development & Behavior	Writing and presentation skills
Concern for and Sensitivity to Others	Good Listener		

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Occupational Outlook Handbook: www.bls.gov/ooh/



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