

CAREER OPTIONS IN PSYCHOLOGY

As a psychology major, you can gain employable **knowledge and skills**:

A majority of employers are now looking specifically for liberal arts majors; psychology is popular because of the analytical skills that come with that liberal arts major. Some of the skills you gain include: *communication (interpersonal, intrapersonal, oral, written), critical thinking, application of science to global issues, community citizenship, information gathering and synthesis, approach to issues from diverse perspectives, group work, computer literacy, presentation skills, analytical skills, flexibility, adaptability, and problem solving.*

With a 4-year **Bachelor's Degree** (either BA or BS), you can get employed in the fields of:

Common settings: Group homes, hospitals, nursing homes, FBI, correctional facilities, juvenile detention facilities, preschools, shelters, universities, banks, corporations, local/state/national human services, drug companies, industry, military, publishing companies, media

Human resources (employee development, training coordinator, recruiter, benefits coordinator)

Intervention (crisis, substance abuse, suicide)

Residential care (hospice, developmentally delayed, elders, delinquents)

Case worker (child services, human services)

University (admissions, career services, leadership, student activities, residential life, alumni, fund raising)

Sales	Media science writer	Editor
Day care for children	Life skills counselor	Restaurant and hotel
Teacher's aide	Mental Health aide	Corporate buyer
Research assistant/lab technician	Community outreach worker	Parole officer
Opinion survey researcher	Social work assistant	Juvenile intake worker
Athletics administration	Substance abuse counselor	Peace Corps
Elder activities coordinator	Administrative assistant	Political campaigns
Cruise activities coordinator	Office manager	Nutritionist
Financial advisor	Volunteer coordinator	Pharmacy technician
Bank teller	Wilderness guide	Industrial design assistant
Fitness trainer	Recreation manager	Budget analyst
Advertising	Public relations	Insurance underwriter
Marketing researcher	Product design	Psychiatric aide
Military recruiter	Software design/testing	Realtor
Performance analyst	Speech writer	Teacher
Family facilitator	Grant writerand MANY others

With a **Master's Degree** (MA, MS, MSW, MEd, MPH):

Counselor	School program developer/ consultant	Usability specialist
Corporate consultant (industrial, organization, human factors)	Physical therapist	Occupational therapist
Research (university, corporate)	Trial/jury consultant	Athletic performance consultant
Student/developmental assessment	Industry consultant	Social worker
School counselor	Database administrator	Community program developer
Legislator		Environmental designer

With a **Doctoral Degree** (PsyD, PhD, EdD, DrPH, PharmD, MD, DDS):

Independent practitioner	Pharmacist	Health services agency management
Professor	Sport psychologist	Grant program director
Researcher	Hostage negotiator	Epidemiologist
Psychiatrist	Health psychologist	Forensic Psychologist
Dentist		