



PSYCHOLOGY

Psychology major • Psychology minor • Neuroscience minor

Explore your scientific curiosities, design and complete undergraduate research and identify your unique interests and aptitudes as you prepare for a thriving future in one of the most fascinating and rapidly evolving career fields – all under the mentorship of passionate faculty who will challenge you to reach your individual potential.

THE CLASSROOM EXPERIENCE

Extensive exploration and undergraduate research

The Franklin College psychology program is designed to expose students to the breadth of branches and applications within the discipline. Courses span social, abnormal, behavioral and experimental psychology and provide students with opportunities to explore areas of interest like drugs and the brain, personality, psychology and the law and lifespan development. In addition to coursework, psychology students design and execute undergraduate research from start to finish, working with professors to craft a sound and viable study, collecting data and analyzing findings for public presentation. This opportunity is particularly beneficial to students pursuing graduate degrees; this level of research is traditionally reserved for graduate-level courses and gives Franklin College graduates a competitive advantage. Previous majors have researched:

- Correlations between prosocial video game play and real-world behavior
- Older adults' prejudice toward the LGBTQ+ community
- The use of poetry to elicit empathy toward marginalized groups

Students' classroom and research experiences takes place under the guidance of a diverse departmental faculty whose cumulative expertise spans counseling, research and statistics, psychology and law, social and neuroscience, health and cognitive psychology.

100%
of our students
complete an internship
or undergraduate
research.

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OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

Internships and study abroad opportunities

Every Franklin College psychology major completes at least one internship, and many students are able to complete two or three in just four years. Previous psychology majors have interned with:

- A medical clinic in Australia in advance of a doctorate of psychology program
- A preschool in Italy in preparation for a career in child psychology
- A professional basketball team in Spain to explore careers in psychology and coaching
- Elementary, middle and high school counselors
- Drug and alcohol treatment centers
- After-school programs and nonprofit agencies
- Private practices and counseling agencies

Psychology majors often take advantage of the program's flexibility and study abroad, an endeavor that's easily accomplished in four years. Previous majors have also studied in Denmark, Spain and the Czech Republic.

POST-GRADUATION

100 percent graduate school acceptance

The psychology department has maintained a 100 percent graduate school acceptance rate over the past three years. Majors have gone on to pursue advanced degrees in counseling, neuroscience, clinical, and experimental psychology. Whether a student desires a master's degree or doctoral degree (Psy.D. or Ph.D.), the faculty have a demonstrated track record of providing individual guidance and mentoring to help students achieve their goal of post-graduate study.

86 percent job placement rate

The statistics are equally promising for job placement within six months of graduation. Over the past three years, for graduates pursuing direct entry to the workforce, 86 percent have found full-time or part-time employment in a field of their choice. Students who opt to go directly into the field upon graduation are well-equipped with a set of both hard and soft skills like problem solving, critical thinking, teamwork and communication and have secured careers in:

- Nonprofit agencies
- Behavioral therapy
- Sales
- Social work
- Education
- Human resources
- Business
- Public health

DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

- **Supplementary major:** Psychology majors frequently pursue an additional major or minor to position themselves for niche careers, like coupling art and psychology to prepare for a career in art therapy, or business and psychology to pursue a career in marketing.
- **Career preparation:** The psychology faculty are dedicated to producing students who are poised to launch thriving careers upon graduation; each major takes two professional development courses to identify their unique aptitudes and interests and the wealth of ways to apply them in the field.
- **Department contact information:** Read more about the program at www.FranklinCollege.edu/psychology or contact Associate Professor of Psychology Jamie Bromley, Ph.D., directly at 317.738.8280 or jbromley@FranklinCollege.edu.