

PSYCHOLOGY

Psychology major · Psychology minor

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

Discover your unique interests, explore your scientific curiosities and complete undergraduate research as you prepare for a future in a fascinating and rapidly evolving career field.

THE CLASSROOM EXPERIENCE

Extensive exploration and undergraduate research

The Franklin College psychology program is designed to expose students to the breadth of the discipline. Courses span social, abnormal, neuroscience and experimental psychology and provide students with opportunities to explore areas of interest like drugs and the brain, personality, diversity 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. Previous majors have researched:



- Correlations between prosocial video game play and real-world behavior
- The influence of pop-up advertisements on reading comprehension
- The influence of weightism on empathy for sexual assault survivors

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



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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
- · Human resource departments

Psychology majors often utilize the program's flexibility to include study abroad opportunities. Previous majors have 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, industrial/organizational 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

Over the past three years, for graduates pursuing direct entry to the workforce, 86 percent have found fulltime 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 highly marketable set of skills, including problem solving, critical thinking, teamwork and communication, and have secured careers in:

- Nonprofit agencies
- Social work
- Business

- Behavioral therapy
- Education
- Public health

- Sales
- · Human resources



DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

- **Supplementary major:** Psychology majors frequently pursue an additional major or minor to position themselves for themselves for a variety of careers, including art therapy, business and marketing.
- **Career preparation:** Each psychology major takes two professional development courses to identify their aptitudes and learn how to apply them in the field.
- Department contact information: Read more about the program at FranklinCollege.edu/psychology or contact Professor of Psychology Jamie Bromley, Ph.D., directly at 317.738.8280 or jbromley@FranklinCollege.edu.

