

The following is a sample of occupational titles and work settings related to Psychology.

Keep in mind that career options are not dictated solely by choice of major.

Just as there are many careers open to graduates of any major, there are many paths to careers that do not require a specific degree. Use this information as a beginning guide to exploring options.

Sample Job Titles:

Bachelor's Degree

- Advertising Salesperson
- Advertising Agent
- Promotions Manager
- Media Planner/Buyer
- Armed Forces Officer
- Behavior Analyst
- Case Manager
- Child Life Specialist
- Child Welfare Case Worker
- Academic Advisor
- Corporate Foundation Worker
- Corporate Recruiter
- Corrections Officer
- Direct Care Provider
- Elementary Teacher
- Employment Counselor
- Forensic Assistant
- Hotel Manager

- Human Resources
- Life Coach
- Insurance Salesperson
- Insurance Claims Representative
- Market Research Analyst
- Marketing Manager/Sales Representative
- Medical Sales Representative
- Pharmaceutical Sales Representative
- Police Officer
- Probation Officer
- Psychology Paraprofessional
- Public Relations Specialist
- Residential Counselor
- Mental Health Worker
- Retail (Buying, Managing, Display)
- Sales Agent

- Managers, Supervisors
- Secondary Teacher
- Special Education Teacher
- Teacher's Aide
- Victim Advocate
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Youth Counselor

- Rehabilitation Counselor
- School Counselor

Doctoral Degree

- Child Psychologist
- Clinical Psychologist
- Cognitive Psychologist
- College Professor
- Development Psychologist
- Engineering Psychologist
- Experimental Psychologist
- Industrial/Organizational Psychologist
- Neuropsychologist
- Psychologist
- Psychotherapist
- School Psychologist
- Social Psychologist
- Sports Psychologist

Master's Degree

- Addiction Counselor
- Agency Counselor
- AIDS Counselor
- Career Counselor
- Clinical Counselor
- College Professor
- Elementary Counselor
- Health Care Counselor
- Marriage & Family Counselor
- Mental Health Counselor

Possible Professional Settings:

- Adoption Agency
- Child Care Agency
- Educational Institutions
- Community Shelters
- Consulting Firms
- Day Care Centers
- Employee Assistance Programs
- Government Agencies
- Group Homes
- Hospitals & Clinics
- Insurance Companies
- Magazines, Newspapers
- Market Research Firms
- Mental Health Organizations
- Nursing Homes
- Prisons & Correctional Institutions
- Personnel Departments
- Private Practice
- Professional/Technical Journals
- Public Health Service
- Public Relations Firms
- Public Schools
- Recreation Departments
- Research Institutions
- Science Research Laboratories
- Scouts
- Social Service Agencies
- Test Development Corporations
- Advertising Agencies
- Churches and Religious Organizations
- Colleges and Schools
- Court System

Resources:

The following lists are samples of resources available for learning more about majors and careers.

Websites Related to this Field

- Encyclopedia of Psychology: www.psychology.org/degrees
- Social Psychology Network: www.socialpsychology.org

Professional Associations - Samples

- American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy: <https://www.aamft.org/iMIS15/AAMFT/>
- American Counseling Association: www.counseling.org
- American Psychological Association: www.apa.org
- Association for Behavior Analysis International: www.abainternational.org
- Association for Women in Psychology: www.awpsych.org
- Association of Black Psychologists: www.abpsi.org
- International Association of Counselors and Therapists: www.hypnosisalliance.com
- National Association of School Psychologists: www.nasponline.org
- National Mental Health Association: www.mhanational.org
- Psi Chi- The National Honor Society Professional Organizations in Psychology: <https://www.psichi.org/>

Sample Internship Sites & Volunteer Opportunities

- <https://spu.edu/administration/center-career-calling/prepare/finding-an-internship/internship-locations>

General Career Information

- Occupational Outlook Handbook: www.bls.gov/ooh/
- The Occupational Information Network, (O*Net): www.onetonline.org

SPU Resources

- Psychology Department Website: <http://www.spu.edu/depts/spfc/>
- Major & Career Exploration (GS 2001 - 2 credits, offered every quarter)
- Career Counseling: call 206.281.2485 or stop by the Center for Career and Calling on the second floor of the SUB
- Academic Advising: www.spu.edu/depts/sas
- Academic Catalog: www.spu.edu/academics.aspx

* Websites are current as of August 2020. If any go inactive, please let us know.