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KNOWING WHY PEOPLE DO WHAT THEY DO HELPS YOU BETTER UNDERSTAND — AND SERVE — THEM.

Psychology is the scientific approach to understanding human emotions, thoughts and behavior. It helps us understand the way humans perceive, learn about and act in the world. Through it, we work to understand the causes of and treatments of mental health problems. We examine the biological, environmental and psychological reasons behind the complexities of attitudes and actions.

At Marquette, you’ll work with professors who are among the nation’s leading psychologists, researchers and authors, and who represent every major area of the discipline. They’ll share this wide range of experience with you in their classrooms and by including you in their research.

MAJORS

PSYCHOLOGY
Take general psychology, psychological measurement and statistics, and research methods. Take at least one course in each of the major content areas of psychology: developmental, social, cognitive science, clinical and biological. Use electives to personalize your learning to your interests and align with your career path.

MINOR

PSYCHOLOGY

GET INVOLVED

Join PSI CHI, our chapter of the national psychology honor society, to meet people who share your passion for understanding human behavior. Attend special events and conferences, and hang out at movie nights and other social events.

Take part in our ANNUAL DIVERSITY IN PSYCHOLOGY RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM, where you can hear about the research of your peers and present your own.

Assist your fellow students and earn course credit as a PEER TUTOR.
RESEARCH
You’ll find multiple opportunities to conduct research in an area you’re passionate about. Some students study independently, while others act as research assistants to a faculty member. Recent projects our students have worked on include factors that influence the mental health of ethnic minority groups; the impact of parental conflict, attention deficit-hyperactivity disorder and autism on child development; how stereotypes and norms shape social judgments; leadership in work groups; and the effects of aging on memory.

INTERNSHIPS AND FIELD EXPERIENCE
Many students get practical, real-life experience in the Milwaukee community as interns or field researchers through the field experience in psychology, taken for course credit through the department. These experiences range in setting from hospitals and clinics to schools, and cover a variety of client populations including: children and adolescents, adults, persons with a substance use disorder and persons with PTSD.

CAREERS
A Marquette bachelor’s degree in psychology will prepare you for a variety of paths, including graduate, medical, dental and law school; rehabilitation and welfare agencies; personnel management; and counseling.
If you decide to complete a graduate degree in psychology, you’ll have many options for specialization.

MASTER’S-LEVEL MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS include professional counselors, social workers and therapists.

DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGISTS study how people behave and change throughout life.

SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGISTS focus on the effects of social situations on human behavior.

PERSONALITY PSYCHOLOGISTS study individual differences in how people behave.

NEUROPSYCHOLOGISTS study the effects of brain damage, disorder or disease on behavioral and brain function.

BIOLOGICAL PSYCHOLOGISTS and neuroscientists focus on the biological bases of behavior.

COGNITIVE PSYCHOLOGISTS investigate memory, thought, problem-solving and the psychological aspects of learning.

CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGISTS study ways to help individuals, couples, families and groups change problematic behavior.

INDUSTRIAL PSYCHOLOGISTS study the effects of the physical and social aspects of people’s work environments on productivity and business.
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