# **PSYCHOLOGY**

Major/Minor | On-Campus or Online Delivery

# Human Behavior, Justice and Diversity Department

The Human Behavior, Justice and Diversity (HBJD) Department includes the academic areas of Social Work, Psychology, Legal Studies, Criminal Justice, and Indigenous Studies. Faculty in the HBJD Department provide extensive real-world experience on current topics, providing students with experiences, knowledge, and training to develop a sense of social responsibility and exceptional critical thinking skills related to these fields.

### Program

Students in the psychology program at UW-Superior study the mind and human behavior to better understand individuals, groups, societal issues, and themselves. Students will think critically to understand global issues and analyze various theories related to modern behavioral challenges. Studying psychology is a great first step toward careers and graduate programs that require an informed understanding of human behavior and mental processes. Both the Psychology major and minor and the Behavioral Neuroscience minor can be completed online or on-campus.

#### What You'll Learn

The Psychology curriculum offers broad exposure to various subfields, from behavioral neuroscience to clinical psychology. Specific course topics include motivation and emotion, learning and behavior, psychological disorders, personality, and social cognition among others. Through a major or minor in psychology at UW-Superior, students will:

- Learn to design, implement, and evaluate basic research methods in psychology
- Learn to apply psychological principles to relevant and modern issues
- Develop critical thinking skills and learn a





scientific approach to human behavior and mental processes

• Participate in Academic Service-Learning, serving the community while applying concepts from their coursework

#### Clubs

At UWS there are two psychology-related student clubs: Psi Chi Honor Society and Inkblots. These clubs allow students to share their interest in psychology with likeminded peers, engage in campus activities, and build meaningful relationships. Psi Chi is the International Honor Society in Psychology and is one of the largest honor societies.

## **Research Opportunities**

The Psychology major at UW-Superior is structured around a research "core" that builds a student's understanding of basic research concepts. The program culminates with a capstone course that provides real research experience in each student's own area of interest.

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The psychology program at UWS is absolutely amazing! The professors are super friendly, they are there to help you every step of the way, and you get to build connections with them unlike larger campuses. The environment is very welcoming and having gone through this program, in addition to the behavioral neuroscience minor, I feel very well prepared for my future.

-Becca Cottrell | Psychology, Behavioral Neuroscience

# **Career Opportunities**

A Bachelor of Science in Psychology offers a solid foundation for many career opportunities in business, law, health care, government, education, and more. Job titles held by some of our recent graduates include:

- Substance abuse counselor
- Early childhood behavior specialist
- Recreational therapist
- Athletic trainer
- Psychiatric technician

With advanced degrees, graduates have gone on to hold the following job titles:

- School psychologist
- Liscensed professional counselor
- Forensic examiner
- Sports psychologist
- Cognitive neuropsychologist
- Design psychologist/environmental designer





