

COURSES:

PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR:

11 course units, including:

- PSY 1004 General Psychology
- PSY 2224 Research Methods for Psychology
- PSY 2234 Statistical Analysis for the Social Sciences
- PSY 4444 Senior Seminar in Psychology

PSYCHOLOGY MINOR:

Any 7 full-unit psychology courses

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ABOUT THE MAJOR:

Psychology is one of the many academic disciplines that pursue questions about what makes us human. Transylvania's psychology program encourages students to evaluate critically empirical and theoretical perspectives regarding the nature of the mind and of behavior.

Psychology is an integral part of a liberal arts education. Students will develop the tools needed to pursue scientific scholarship in the field of psychology while getting opportunities to deepen their problem-solving, communication and critical thinking skills as their studies in psychology intersect with other academic areas.

Students studying psychology at Transylvania often choose to apply their understanding of human behavior to careers in a variety of settings—clinics and hospitals, K-12 schools and universities, corporations, government agencies and non-profit organizations.

Transylvania has a dynamic group of faculty representing the major sub-disciplines in psychology, allowing students broad exploration and knowledge in the field, which is experience that employers and graduate schools value. Our location in the heart of Lexington provides many opportunities for internships and collaboration with professionals in laboratory, clinical and non-profit settings.

OPPORTUNITIES IN THE MAJOR:

Research assistantships for course credit
Conduct original research for course credit
Psi Chi (national honor society in psychology)
Kentucky Psychological Association
Psychology Club

WHERE OUR GRADUATES HAVE STUDIED:

California School of Professional Psychology
Chicago School of Professional Psychology
Pennsylvania State University
Rutgers University
Stanford University
University of South Carolina
Vanderbilt University Law School

POSITIONS OUR GRADUATES HAVE HELD:

Attorney
Child advocate
Client services manager
College professor
Director of adult day care center
Human resources assistant
Mental health specialist
Pharmacist
Project manager
Research technician
School psychologist
Statistical analyst

COURSES OF SPECIAL INTEREST:

Behavioral Pharmacology
Cognitive Neuroscience
Health Psychology
Human Development: Childhood and Adolescence
Motivation and Emotion
Psychology of Gender
Theories of Psychotherapy

POSSIBLE CAREER OPTIONS:

Art therapist
Clinical or counseling psychologist
College professor
Genetic counselor
Industrial/Organizational psychologist
Lawyer
Minister
Nurse practitioner
Psychiatrist
Public health administrator
Social worker



"We are proud of our psychology students' growth in their abilities to think and write critically and to understand complex ideas. Psychology alums often report that they feel better prepared for graduate school than their fellow graduate students."

Melissa Fortner, associate professor of psychology