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Psychology

Transferable Skills

A liberal arts degree in general, reflects a comprehensive education emphasizing analytical skills, critical thinking and communication skills; abilities in high demand for all employers. Concentrating your studies in a major allows you to also gain specific transferable skills of interest to particular employers and industries.

Graduates with a major in Psychology are attractive to employers due to their abilities in the following areas:

- Critical thinking abilities
- Writing & rhetoric Skill
- A understanding of human behavior
- Ability to analyze cause and effects
- Ability to listen critically
- Ability to empathize
- Ability to interpret and clearly explain psychological research and tests of all types
- Ability to evaluate personal problems and make appropriate decisions
- Ability to appreciate others' perspectives
- Ability to organize and memorize detailed information
- Ability to observe and analyze introspectively
- Proficiency in interpersonal communication
- Proficiency in reading comprehension, writing and speaking
- Ability to think logically and critically and make analogies
- Ability to understand ideas and values
- Ability to organize, conduct and explain research
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Good listening, clarifying and responding skills
- Ability to apply data to practical decision making
- Willingness to critically question one's assumptions
- Ability to communicate complex ideas in a clear and concise manner

Range of Example Positions held by Economics Majors

A Major in Psychology provides students with an optimal platform for entering a variety of fields. Students with a strong background in psychology are viewed favorably by varying fields such as medicine, law and business.

- Advertising Assistant
- Assist. Account Executive
- Career Counselor
- Case Worker
- Community and Social Service Social worker
- Community Relations Rep
- Counselor
- Criminal Justice
- Crisis Intervention Counselor
- Customs/Immigration Officer
- Education
- Employment Agency Counselor
- Health Club Assist. Mgr.
- Healthcare professional
- Higher Education Administrator
- Hospice Coordinator
- Human Resource Professional
- Labor Relations Specialist
- Market Research Analyst
- Media Planner
- Media Researcher
- Mental Health Coordinator
- Non-Profit
- Physician
- Psychologist
- Public Opinion Surveyor
- Public Relations / Communications
- Public Relations Assist.
- Recreation Specialist
- Social Media Research
- Teacher
- Television/Media Research

Resources & Professional Associations of Interest:

Check out the following websites and consider joining at least one of the professional associations in your field of interest to boost your career and give you a competitive edge on the job market. These are just a few so don't hesitate to do some research on your own!

- American Psychological Association- filled with essential resources for psychologists
- Psych Web - psychology-related information for students and teachers of psychology
- Chronicle of Higher Education , Inside Higher Education - great sites for academics
- American Counseling Association - resources for students and counselors
- Encyclopedia of Psychology - a necessary hit for all Psych students
- Careers-Jobs/Internship Opportunities-Resources (Psychology, Sociology, Health Care)
- Association for Psychological Science

Famous Psychology Majors:

- John Ritter – Star of Three's Company
- Jim McCann – Founder of 1-800 Flowers
- Peter M. Butterfield – CEO of Kia Motors America