

What can I do with a major in... Psychology?

A major in psychology will prepare you for a variety of careers, whether you choose to become a psychologist or apply your background in other work environments. The following list contains a sample of job titles of CMU graduates with a psychology major. This list represents some, but certainly not all, the careers you may consider.

Career Titles for a Psychology Major:

- Advertising Agent
- College/University Administrator
- Columnist
- Community Agency Staff
- Counselor
- Criminologist
- Crisis Worker
- Human Resources Staff
- International Student Advisor
- Market Research Analyst
- Mediator
- Minority Services Administrator
- Nurse
- Police Officer
- Probation Officer
- Psychiatrist
- Psychologist
- Public Relations Practitioner
- Sociologist
- Teacher/Professor
- Therapist

Students obtaining employment immediately upon graduation usually are those with the best college records and a willingness to relocate for a job. Some of these jobs also require education beyond a bachelor's degree.

Professional Skills Acquired Through a Major in Psychology

Many occupations in today's working world require college-educated individuals who can write and speak well, solve problems, learn new information quickly, and work well with a team. In addition to opening the door to numerous career possibilities in this field, a major in psychology will help you develop the fundamental skills that many employers in many other professions are seeking in their employees.

Such skills acquired through a major in psychology include:

- Advising Proficiency
- Analyzation
- Coaching Ability
- Critical Thinking
- Decision Making
- Diplomacy
- Empathy
- Encouragement
- Explanation
- Facilitation
- Interpersonal Communication
- Interpretation
- Interviewing Techniques
- Listening Versatility
- Observation
- Patience
- Perception
- Problem Solving
- Sensitivity
- Teamwork

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