



The Wayne D. McMurray School of Humanities and Social Sciences

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PSYCHOLOGY

PPsychology is a broad field that encompasses both the social and natural sciences, and can lead to a wide variety of careers. A psychology major can lead to employment in business and industry, government, social agencies, hospitals, clinics, and in fields such as personnel, sales, management, psychological testing, and vocational guidance. Psychology also prepares students for graduate work leading to careers in counseling, clinical work, school psychology, college teaching, social service, or research.

With so many potential career paths, the Department of Psychology at Monmouth University offers our students a wide range of opportunities to prepare them for any chosen career. Consistent with this, our department provides students with career and professional development starting in the sophomore year, through high quality advising, a course focused on career exploration and preparation, and curricular units to help students prepare for life after Monmouth.

Our department's guiding philosophy is to optimize students' employable skills rather than providing specific job training. We achieve this by providing our students with comprehensive research training through a series of four research courses. These courses culminate in every psychology major conducting her or his own empirical research thesis, and presenting it at our undergraduate student conference.

During thesis, our students work closely with individual faculty members who are published experts in their field. Through these experiences, students develop skills in oral and written communication, data analysis, critical thinking, teamwork, and project management.

In addition to providing unparalleled research training at the undergraduate level, we provide students with the opportunity to pursue several internships as a psychology major. To facilitate these real world experiences, students have access to a department database with over 100 placement sites. They can enroll in our "Field Experience" course where students learn about each other's internships and cultivate professional skills through individual meetings with the professor. Recently, students have been placed in public schools, hospital settings, alcohol and drug treatment facilities, and women's shelters, as well as social agencies, counseling centers, and major corporations in New York City. Through an exclusive affiliation with Six Flags Wild Safari, we offer a highly unique course where our students learn about animal

training and behavior, while working with a variety of exotic animals alongside animal trainers. These applied experiences allow our students to take what they learn in the classroom and apply it in real world settings.

These opportunities are possible due to the Department's commitment to building strong relationships with our students both in and out of the classroom. For example, faculty-student collaborations often result in presentations at professional conferences and publications. Our department's reputation for providing a rigorous comprehensive program allows our graduates to successfully gain admittance to top graduate school programs and obtained jobs in a variety of settings. As one of the most popular majors at Monmouth University, our student-centered psychology faculty delivers an exceptional liberal arts education that prepares students for any path they choose.

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