What can I do with my studies in...  Psychology

Areas of Interest

Graduates of Psychology have worked in many different fields. Below is a sample of areas you may be interested in; however this list is not exhaustive.

Addictions  Counselling  Insurance  Non Profit
Advertising  Education  Labour Relations  Physical & Occupational Therapy
Communications  Government  Law  Public Relations
Community Relations  Health Care/Promotions  Management Science  Social Work
Corrections  Human Resources  Marketing  Student Affairs

Career Possibilities

In the sample below you will find career options other students have followed. There are many possibilities and this list is not all encompassing. Please note that some careers may require additional education or training.

Addictions Counsellor  Drug Abuse & Prevention Educator  Mental Health Counsellor
Admissions Evaluator  ESL Teacher  Music Therapist
Art Psychologist  Family Service Worker  Probation/Parole Officer
Behavior Analyst  Foreign Service Officer  Psychiatric Assistant
Career Counsellor  Fundraising Consultant  Public Relations Specialist
Child Life Specialist  Human Resources Specialist  Rehabilitation Counsellor
Community Support Worker  Immigration Officer  Residential Youth Counsellor
Correctional Officer  Labour Relations Specialist  Speech-Language Pathologist
Crisis Worker  Market Research Analyst  Social Worker

Skills Developed

In Psychology you develop a wide variety of skills including the ability to:

- Collect, analyze, interpret and communicate information while drawing conclusions from critical thinking and problem solving
- Interact with individuals from diverse backgrounds and experiences with an understanding of group dynamics and human behaviours
- Resolve and mediate conflicts through strong listening skills, the ability to analyze situations from various perspectives and strong problem solving abilities
- Explain concepts and theories to others in oral and written forms with a strong understanding of the practical uses of research
- Read multiple materials analytically and accurately to gather information, summarize ideas and form reasoned arguments
- Question ideas and information using research skills to investigate past, current and future problems while working with individuals from diverse backgrounds and experiences
ASSOCIATIONS

Canadian Council of Professional Psychology Programs  www.ccppp.ca
Canadian Council on Social Development  www.ccso.ca
Canadian Counselling Association  www.ccacc.ca
Canadian Mental Health Association  www.cmha.ca
Canadian Psychological Association  www.cpa.ca
Human Resources Professionals Association of Ontario  www.hrpa.ca
Ontario Association of Child and Youth Care Workers  www.oacyc.org
Ontario Association of Consultants, Counsellors,
Psychometrists and Psychotherapists  www.oaccpp.ca
Ontario Psychological Association  www.psych.on.ca
Psychology Foundation of Canada  www.psychologyfoundation.org
American Psychological Association  www.apa.org
UWO Student Organizations  www.usc.uwo.ca/westernclubs/clubslist/#all

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LOOKING FOR EMPLOYMENT?
Visit CareerCentral for Job Postings & Career Events

OPPORTUNITIES

UWO Career Central  careercentral.uwo.ca/
CCPPP Canadian Internship Programs  www.ccppp.ca/en/internship.html
Canadian Psychology Association  www.cpa.ca
Go Abroad  www.goabroad.com
Humanities and Social Sciences Online  www.h-net.org/jobs
International Experience Canada  www.international.gc.ca/iyp-pij/
Ontario Internship Program  www.internship.gov.on.ca
Provincial Government Jobs  www.gojobs.gov.on.ca
Youth Canada  www.youth.gc.ca/eng/home.shtml

CAREER SERVICES & RESOURCES (Free for UWO Students)

Social Science Career Services  www.ssc.uwo.ca/careers
The Student Success Centre  www.career.uwo.ca/
UWO Psychology Department  psychology.uwo.ca/
Career Central  careercentral.uwo.ca/
Interview Stream  uwo.interviewstream.com/
The Big Guide to Living & Working Overseas  www.workingoverseas.com/uwo

JOB SHADOWING PROGRAM

The job shadow program provides second and third year Social Science students the chance to learn about career opportunities by observing "a day-in-the-life" with a professional in their field of interest.

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- Develop and apply new transferable skills and personal strengths.

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