

Psychology

Why Study Psychology at TCNJ?

Psychology students at TCNJ's School of Humanities and Social Sciences learn the scientific skills and insights needed to study human thought, emotion, and behavior. Our distinctive program offers small class sizes, rigorous training, abundant experiential learning, and flexibility for students to tailor the curriculum to their career aspirations. Graduates are well prepared to succeed in a remarkable variety of careers because of the strong analytical, communication, and self-management skills they develop. While many of our students go on to be practicing psychologists, studying psychology is also an effective foundation for a range of careers in other fields, such as education, medicine, social work, law, and business.

Programs of Study

TCNJ offers a Psychology major, a Psychology and Education dual major, and a Psychology minor. Our curriculum encourages students to explore different areas of practice, such as clinical or organizational psychology, while maintaining a shared sequence of Core courses in research methods and statistics.

Students benefit from:

- A flexible curriculum that easily accommodates double majors with various other programs in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences and beyond
- Core courses that become progressively smaller culminating in a 15-person collaborative Research Seminar
- A breadth of Foundation courses to introduce specialty areas in various fields
- Focused study with engaging, small-group Discussion Seminar courses
- Optional specialization for focused study in biopsychology, cognitive psychology, counseling and clinical psychology, developmental psychology, industrial-organizational psychology, or social psychology
- Opportunities for mentored research, internships, or study abroad that help students practice and apply learned skills
- Strong mentorship from experienced faculty and annual advising courses —
 that help guide academic and career paths

Popular Seminar Topics:

Cognitive Neuroscience
Mental Health and Poverty

Political Psychology
Sport and Exercise Psychology



Mentored Undergraduate Research Opportunities

Psychology majors collaborate directly with faculty in our 20 research labs, studying everything from animal-assisted therapy to electrical activity in the brain. Research opportunities are widely available for all interested students, with about 150 majors doing lab work each semester in closely mentored groups of 6–15 students. All our faculty are active scholars who regularly present and publish work with undergraduate co-authors.

Internships

Our Psychology students apply skills and earn academic credit at faculty-supervised internships across a wide variety of organizations, including: Carrier Clinic, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP), Church & Dwight, Eden Autism Services, Johnson & Johnson, Mathematica Policy Research, Medical Diagnostics Laboratories, the Puerto Rican Family Institute, and Special Olympics New Jersey.

A Psychology Degree from TCNJ Opens Doors

Our graduates gain the skills, insights, and experience that make them highly attractive to prospective employers and top graduate programs.

Alumni Employers:

Aerotek AmeriCorps Corning

Eden Autism Services

Etsy Facebook Google IBM

Jewish Family & Children's Service

Johnson & Johnson Kessler Foundation Lockheed Martin McCann Health Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Paper Mill Playhouse

Safe Horizon

West Windsor-Plainsboro School District Wyndham Hotels and Resorts

Recent Graduate Program Placements:

Columbia University
Harvard University
Johns Hopkins University
New York University
University of California-Berkeley
University of California-Los Angeles



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