

Psychology

Psychology is the study of mental processes and behaviour. Broadly, psychological scientists study relationships among behaviour, environment, and brain function. As a discipline, psychology explores a wide range of topics, including clinical psychology, cognitive neuroscience, developmental psychology, social psychology, and also explores the influence of factors such as sex/gender and culture in these areas. The Department of Psychology at Queen's University houses many active research labs that students can become involved with, engaging in research under the supervision of faculty researchers.

TOP 5 Reasons to Study PSYCHOLOGY

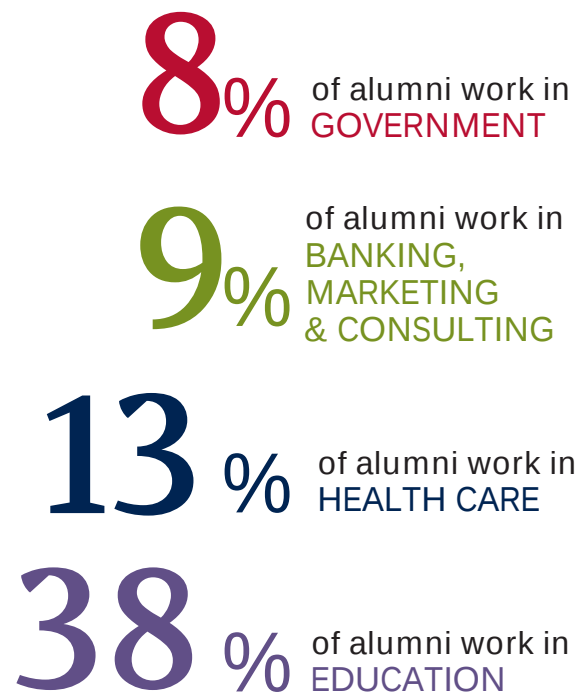
- 1 Evidence-based insights into how both environment and genetics influence the brain and behaviour.
- 2 Evidence-based practices in mental health that are grounded in science.
- 3 Hands-on experiential learning opportunities in laboratory and field settings.
- 4 Transferable critical thinking and research skills.
- 5 Skills that employers value, including teamwork, writing, and data analysis.

Alumni Story

"My psychology degree at Queen's allowed me to engage with a wealth of experiential learning opportunities, from research and teaching to an entrepreneurial incubation program. Combined with exposure to different domains of psychology and the program's emphasis on evidence-based problem solving, I have a diverse skill set that can be used in many different fields."

-Flo Nusselder, BAH '24

TOP ALUMNI JOBS



add an optional **CERTIFICATE**

Data Analytics

Disability and Physical Activity

Employment Relations

Geographic Information Science

Indigenous Languages and Cultures

Sexual and Gender Diversity

Urban Planning Studies

Law

Business

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2026-27 Plan Thresholds

Thresholds are made on a competitive basis and are updated annually. To see the thresholds for all programs as well as the latest information, please visit

quartsci.com/planselection

Interested in finding out how to augment your degree with Experiential Learning? Check in with your department to learn more about what opportunities and resources are available for you!

Psychology MAJOR MAP

Bachelor of Arts (Honours): Specialization, Major, Arts Minor
Bachelor of Science (Honours): Specialization, Biology-Psychology Specialization, Major, Arts Minor



CONSIDER QUIP INTERNSHIP

Knowledge & Workplace Skills

A degree in Psychology can equip you with:

- Knowledge of areas of Psychology such as perception, cognition, motivation, and childhood development
- How to design research studies and analyze quantitative data using statistical tests
- Knowledge of human and animal behaviour and mental processes
- How to evaluate scientific journal articles critically
- Oral and written communication to prepare and present reports from research
- Observation and decision-making
- Resource and time management
- Insight to deal effectively with people, show concern for and sensitivity to others
- Critical and inferential thinking to analyze and interpret information

Career Possibilities

A degree in Psychology is foundational for many career paths. Many students choose to pursue their interests through graduate training. Our students are equipped to pursue many fields including:

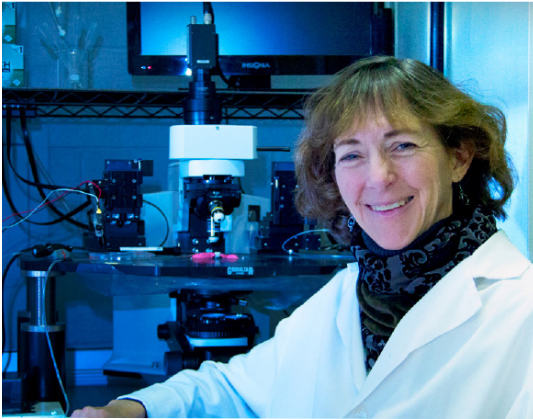
- Advertising
- Child and youth care
- Clinical psychology
- Community development
- Counseling
- Data analysis
- Occupational therapy
- Psychological science
- Research
- Social work
- Speech language pathology

Taking time to explore career options, build experience, and network can help you have a smooth transition to the world of work after graduation.

How to use this map

Use the 5 rows of the map to explore possibilities and plan for success in the five overlapping areas of career and academics. The map just offers suggestions – you don't have to do it all! To make your own custom map, use the **My Major Map** tool.

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Get started thinking about the future now – where do you want to go after your degree? Having tentative goals (like careers or grad school) while working through your degree can help with short-term decisions about courses and experiences, but also help you keep motivated for success.

Get the help you need

Queen's provides you with a broad range of support services from your first point of contact with the university through to graduation. At Queen's, you are never alone. We have many offices dedicated to helping you learn, think and do.

Ranging from help with academics and careers, to physical, emotional, or spiritual resources – our welcoming living and learning environment offers the programs and services you need to be successful, both academically and personally. Queen's wants you to succeed! Check out the [Student Affairs website](#) for available resources.



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QUIP

QUEEN'S UNDERGRADUATE
INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

START DATES

May, September,
or January

POSITIONS

are paid and
full-time

WORK TERMS

are 12-16 months
long

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Graduate with a "Professional Internship" degree
- Learn about current advances, practices and technologies in business and industry.
- Test drive a career, earn a competitive salary, and get real world experience.

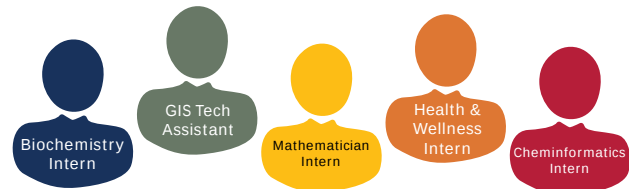
ELIGIBILITY

- Complete 1st year before you register
- Complete 2nd or 3rd year before your internship
- Minimum GPA of 1.9
- Return to Queen's after your internship to finish your degree

WHY QUIP?

- Gain a year of career-related work experience.
- Build network connections.
- Receive support from Queen's staff in the job search and during the internship.

Sample Past Internships



For more information, contact quip@queensu.ca or visit the [Program Website](#).

Why study in Kingston?

Since 1841, our community has been more than a collection of bright minds – Queen's has attracted students with an ambitious spirit. Queen's has the highest retention rates, the highest graduation rates, and one of the highest employment rates among recent graduates. We are a research intensive university focused on the undergraduate experience. The BBC has identified Kingston as one of the GREATEST UNIVERSITY TOWNS in the world – and it is often awarded the safest city in Canada. It is a university city at the core; just a quick drive to Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and even New York. A university with more clubs per capita than any other university in Canada, and a city with more restaurants per capita than any other city in North America – you will have the experience of a lifetime at Queen's – and graduate with a degree that is globally recognized among the best.

We're closer than you think.

