PSYCHOLOGY

In the social science stream of Psychology, you will focus on child development, personality differences, how people act in groups or organizations, sexuality and health-related behaviours. You will study these in the context of both normal and abnormal behaviour. Home to 26 labs, psychology students have the opportunity to work alongside faculty researchers and graduate students to gain valuable research training.

**ALUMNI JOBS**

- 8% of alumni work in **GOVERNMENT**
- 9% of alumni work in **BANKING, MARKETING & CONSULTING**
- 13% of alumni work in **HEALTH CARE**
- 38% of alumni work in **EDUCATION**

**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.

“My degree in Psychology prepared me for further education and for the work force, and also gave me a deeper insight into the human psyche. This highly versatile, student-centred program provided opportunity for student leadership, departmental community, and involvement in current empirical research.”

-Sam Bienias, BScH '18

**2018-19 thresholds**

- **2.6cGPA** AUTOMATIC ACCEPTANCE min A- in PSYC 100
- **1.9cGPA** PENDING LIST min B in PSYC 100

*Thresholds are made on a competitive basis and are updated annually. For the latest information please visit [Quarts.com](http://Quarts.com).*
PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR MAP

MAJOR: BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS)

1ST YEAR
- In first year you will have the chance to explore the foundations of Psychology along with some electives.
- See the back page for specific courses to consider.
- Attend Majors Night in the Winter term to learn more about Plan options.

2ND YEAR
- Start going deeper into the discipline of Psychology, while considering a minor and/or certificate such as Global Action and Engagement. Attend Degree+ in the Fall term to learn more about Certificates and Internship options.
- Want to make sure your academics are where you want them to be? Visit SASS (Student Academic Support Services) and the Writing Centre for some help.

3RD YEAR
- A chance to start grouping courses in areas of interest, or to keep it more general and explore many areas of Psychology. Meet with an Academic Advisor to make sure you are on track and have planned out your courses for next year — for some ideas, see the back page.

4TH OR FINAL YEAR
- Consider a 12-16 month QUIP internship. Present your PSYC 501 research at an Inquiry@Queen’s and your Thesis Poster at the Ontario Undergraduate Thesis Conference.
- Investigate requirements for full-time jobs or other opportunities related to careers of interest. Assess what experience you’re lacking and fill in the gaps – check out the Career Services skills workshop for help.
- Investigate full-time job leads to Grad School or to your future career path. Make sure to finish up all your courses planned out your courses for next year — for some ideas, see the back page.

GET THE COURSES YOU NEED
GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE
GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY
GET THINKING GLOBALLY
GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION

What will I learn?
- 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

Where can I go?
- A degree in Psychology can take your career in many directions. Many students choose to continue their academic inquiry with a Master’s. Our students are equipped with a strong foundation for careers in:
  - Advertising
  - Child and youth care
  - Community development
  - Corrections
  - Career counseling
  - Career counseling
  - Occupational health and safety
  - Occupational therapy
  - Physical therapy
  - Psychiatry
  - Residential care
  - 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.