

# PSYCHOLOGY

## From Study to Skills

Rutgers-Camden offers a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology degree program. Students who choose to major in this program will gain an understanding of psychological theories, research methods in psychology, and learn ways that psychology can be applied to understand and improve people's lives. Psychology majors can find jobs in social service agencies, non-profit organizations, government agencies, educational institutions, hospitals, pharmaceutical firms, rehabilitation centers, and correctional institutions. They may also find jobs in business and industry in market research, public relations, customer service, management, advertising, human resources, or sales.

**Related Fields:** Business, Criminal Justice, Education, Law, Marketing, Medicine, Social Work

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## Skills and Abilities

**Critical Thinking-** Students will learn problem-solving skills, logic, and reasoning. Students will gain an understanding of cultures, identify problems, and create innovative solutions. Students will also utilize the ability to critically read and understand arguments

**Communication Skills-** Students will utilize active listening skills, negotiation, persuasion, and clear speaking. Students will learn how to communicate an idea and understand its' impact, argue cogently, write clearly, and be an effective leader by understanding self.

**Research Skills-** Students will practice gathering information, evaluating evidence, planning, multi-tasking, and technical writing. Students will learn to define problems, design experiments, record observations, interpret results, and utilize statistical tests to predict outcomes, in addition to basic laboratory techniques and collaboration.

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## Internships

In the Past, Rutgers—Camden English students have interned with the following employers:

American Red Cross, Camden County Chapter	Gloucester County Prosecutor's Office
Archway Programs	Lift- Philadelphia
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms	NJ State Parole Board
Boys & Girls Club of Camden County	Northeast Treatment Center
Camden County Board of Social Service	Philadelphia Zoo
Camden County Partnership for Children	PHMC- Interim House West
Center for Family Services	Psychotherapy and Consulting Services
Center for Family Services Head Start	Puerto Rican Unity for Progress Inc.
Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA)	Robins Nest, Inc

## What Careers Are Available for Psychology Majors?

The following are samples of first jobs of Rutgers-Camden Psychology majors:

Admin Coordinator; Rehab After Work	Educational Assistant; Cherry Hill School Board
Adult Case Manager; Steininger Behavioral Care	Family Support Worker; Youth Consultation Service
Asst. Event Coordinator; Cooper University Hospital	Human Resources Representative; Wegmans
Behavior Therapist; Gloucester twp. Public Schools	Kindergarten Teacher; West Deptford BOE
Case Manager; Volunteers of America	Manager Trainee; Sherwin-Williams
Case Worker; Helping Hand Behavioral Health	Prevention Specialist; Hispanic Family Services
Claims Adjuster; GEICO	Rehab Counselor; Horizon House
Claims Specialist; Liberty Mutual Insurance	Research Assistant; Rutgers University
Clinical Associate; Bancroft Neurohealth	Veteran's Services Rep; Veteran's Affairs

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## Graduate School Options

While many Psychology majors choose to go directly into the workplace after graduation, others will decide to pursue a graduate degree. Rutgers-Camden Psychology majors have earned Master's and Doctorate level degrees in all fields of Psychology in addition to degrees outside of Psychology, including the Allied Health Professions, Business, Education, Law, and Social Work.

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## Resources

Consider joining a professional organization such as:

### American Psychological Association

[www.apa.org](http://www.apa.org)

### Association for Psychological Science

[www.psychologicalscience.org](http://www.psychologicalscience.org)

### National Association of School Psychologists

[www.nasponline.org](http://www.nasponline.org)

### American Counseling Association

[www.counseling.org](http://www.counseling.org)

Consider joining a student group such as the Psychology club, Psi Chi, or Student Government Association.

Help a faculty member with their research

Do an internship in your field of interest

Connect with professionals in fields that interest you on LinkedIn

Contact the Career Center:  
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