

# PSYCHOLOGY, B.A.

## Academic Programs

The Bachelor of Arts in Psychology degree is designed to prepare students for further study at the graduate level or for employment in a wide variety of settings. It is the objective of the program to provide the student with a well-rounded education in the basic principles and methodology of psychology. Emphasis in all programs is placed on the traditional perspectives, knowledge of research design, understanding the etiology of normal and abnormal behavior, human development, appreciating the mind-body connection, problem resolution, as well as the critical reviewing of literature and writing in APA format and using library and information resources.

The American Women's College also offers a certificate in Human Services & Rehabilitation. Additional information is available in the Certificate Programs (<https://catalog.baypath.edu/american-womens-college/academic-programs/certificates/>) section.

The Bachelor of Arts in Psychology offers the following majors:

- Child Psychology Major (<https://catalog.baypath.edu/american-womens-college/academic-programs/psychology/child-psychology-ba/>)
- Counseling Foundations Major (<https://catalog.baypath.edu/american-womens-college/academic-programs/psychology/counseling-foundations-ba/>)
- Forensic Psychology Major (<https://catalog.baypath.edu/american-womens-college/academic-programs/psychology/forensic-psychology-ba/>)
- Foundations of Alcohol & Drug Abuse Counseling Major (<https://catalog.baypath.edu/american-womens-college/academic-programs/psychology/foundations-alcohol-drug-abuse-counseling-ba/>)
- Human Services & Rehabilitation Major (<https://catalog.baypath.edu/american-womens-college/academic-programs/psychology/human-services-rehabilitation-ba/>)
- Psychology Major (<https://catalog.baypath.edu/american-womens-college/academic-programs/psychology/psychology-ba/>)

## Student Learning Outcomes

By completing the degree in Psychology, the successful student should have the following competencies, as determined by the American Psychological Association (APA):

1. Knowledge Base in Psychology
  - Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.
  - Develop a working knowledge of psychology's content domains.
  - Describe applications of psychology.
2. Scientific Inquiry and Critical thinking
  - Use scientific reasoning to interpret psychological phenomena.
  - Demonstrate psychology information literacy.
  - Engage in innovative and integrative thinking and problem solving.
  - Interpret, design, and conduct basic research.
  - Incorporate sociocultural factors in scientific inquiry.
3. Ethical and Social Responsibility in a Diverse World
  - Apply ethical standards to evaluate psychological science and practice.
  - Build and enhance interpersonal relationships.
  - Adopt values that build community at local, national, and global levels.
4. Communication
  - Demonstrate effective writing for different purposes.
  - Exhibit effective presentation skills for different purposes.
  - Interact effectively with others.
5. Professional Development
  - Apply psychological content and skills to career goals.
  - Exhibit self-efficacy and self-regulation.
  - Refine project-management skills.
  - Enhance teamwork capacity.
  - Develop meaningful professional direction for life after graduation