



Orientation Information Packet

UCF Psychology Advising Center

Psychology Bldg. Room 250

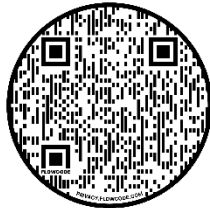
Visit our website:

psychology.cos.ucf.edu/undergraduate-psychology-advising

Email: Psychadvising@ucf.edu

Summer 22: Join walk-in zoom on Tues or Wed 10am-3pm

http://ucf.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_55coQh97U1taqjj



Fall 22: Face to face walk-in M-Th 9am to 4pm & Fri 9am to noon



UCF Psychology Department

psychology.cos.ucf.edu



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Instagram: UCFPsychAdvising

Tips from your advisor:

- #1 Knowing and understanding university requirements is **your responsibility**, seeing advisors and asking questions is important.
- #2 Keep an "Advising" file at home to put all of your notes in after your session.
- #3 Keep an eye on the **Academic Calendar** every semester so that you don't miss any important deadlines!
- #4 Know your **UCF ID (PID)** and NID numbers (and passwords!) You will need these when you come in for advising! Include them in your emails to any UCF office or professor. Add them to your **professional email signature!**



UNIVERSITY OF
CENTRAL FLORIDA
WHERE DO I GO FOR...?

Psychology Department Main Website 407-823-4344 sciences.ucf.edu/Psychology
Advising Center (PSY 250) 407-823-2219 sciences.ucf.edu/psychology/undergraduate-advising

College of Sciences & Academic Services- COSAS (CSB 250) 407-823-6131
sciences.ucf.edu/cosas/

Advisement on GEP, Gordon Rule, University Credit Hour Requirements, Processing of Approved Overrides, Course Substitutions, Independent Research/Study, & Graduation

Academic Calendar calendar.ucf.edu

Academic Services (MH 210) 407-823-2691 www.academicsservices.ucf.edu
Administrative Record Changes, Waive Summer Enrollment Requirement, GEP Transfer Course Request, and A.A Degree

Student Academic Resource Center- SARC (TCH 117) 407-823-5130 sarc.sdes.ucf.edu
Study Skills Workshops/Help, Supplemental Instruction, and Tutoring

University Testing Center (HPH 106) 407-823-8211 utc.sdes.ucf.edu
Foreign Language Proficiency Exam, FTCE – Florida Teaching Certification Exam, CLEP Exam

Registrar's Office (MH 161) 407-823-2000 registrar.ucf.edu
Through myUCF: Transcripts, Major Change, Catalog Year Change, Minor Declaration, Enrollment Verification, Excess Hours

Other UCF Offices

Career Services (CSEL Bldg, 1st floor) 407-823-2361 career.ucf.edu

Experiential Learning (CSEL Bldg, 3rd floor) 407-823-2667 www.explearning.ucf.edu

Health Services (Health Center, 101) 407-823-2701 shs.sdes.ucf.edu

UCF Global- (UCF Global Bldg) 407-823-2337 www.international.ucf.edu

Multicultural Academic & Support Services (SU 154) 407-823-2716 mass.sdes.ucf.edu

Office of PreHealth and PreLaw Advising (TCH 205) 407-823-3033 phpladvising.ucf.edu

Office of Student Involvement-OSI (SU 208) 407-823-6471 osi.ucf.edu

Student Accessibility Services (FC 7F 185) 407-823-2371 sas.sdes.ucf.edu

Student Financial Assistance (MH 120) 407-823-2827 finaid.ucf.edu

Student Legal Services- SLS (SU 304) 407-823-2538 sls.sdes.ucf.edu

Study Abroad Program (UCF Global) 407-882-2300 studyabroad.ucf.edu

Writing Center (TCH 109) 407-823-2197 uwc.cah.ucf.edu

UCF Cares (FC 142) 407-823-5607 ucfcares@ucf.edu cares.sdes.ucf.edu

Veteran's AcademicResourceCenter/VARC(CFEArena100)407-823-2707 varc.sdes.ucf.edu

Counseling & Psychological Services- CAPS (Counseling Center 101) 407-823-2811
caps.sdes.ucf.edu

Other Helpful Websites outside UCF

American Psychological Association www.apa.org

Transient Student Admission Application Form www.FloridaShines.org



Review UCF Catalog online catalog.ucf.edu/

This is a tool to help you keep track of the courses you have completed towards the Psychology Degree. You are responsible to follow the requirements as listed in your catalog. **Have questions about your Psychology Degree requirements?** Speak with **Psychology Advising**: PSY 250, Psychadvising@ucf.edu or 407-823-2219

- You must earn at least a **2.0 / "C"** in courses that count for the **psychology requirements of CPP, Advanced Core, Diversity, Track and Math/Science electives**. A "C-" or below will not be accepted.
- 42 semester hours of upper division credit** completed (3000 and higher)
- 30 of the last 39 hours** of course work must be completed in residency at UCF
- At least **21 hours** must be completed from the **UCF Psychology Department**
- 120 Total Credit Hours Required**

1. General Education Program (GEP)

- If you received an A.A. degree from a public college in Florida, you do not have to complete the GEP requirements. See full catalog for GEP requirements information. College of Sciences Advising Services (cosas.ucf.edu) can assist with GEP questions.

2. Foreign Language Requirement

- Proficiency equivalent to one year of college instruction in either a foreign language or American Sign Language (up to the 2nd level of a foreign language or higher).
- If you are fluent you can **test out** with the University Testing Center (utc.sdes.ucf.edu), or **jump into level 2** or higher and be done with 1 class.
- If not, then start with level 1 (ex. SPN 1120C, ASL 2140, etc) before moving on to required level 2 (ex. SPN 1121C, ASL 2150, etc)

3. Common Program Prerequisites (CPP) (9 hrs)

- Psychology:** PSY 2012 General Psychology 3 hrs
- Biology: Select ONE** BSC 1005 Biological Principles or BSC 2010C Biology I 3 hrs
- Statistics: Select ONE** STA 2014C Principles of Statistics or STA 2023 Stat. Methods I (PR: MGF 1106 or any MAC) 3 hrs
- Biology and Statistics are NOT currently available ONLINE at UCF**

If you're a Florida resident, you can use www.FloridaShines.org to take bio & stats as a Transient student at another public college in Florida

4. Core Requirements: Advanced Level (29 hrs)

Take ALL:

- PSY 3024 Psychology: Career Readiness I 2 hrs
- PSY 3074 Psychology: Career Readiness II 2 hrs
- PSY 3204C Statistical Methods in Psychology 4 hrs
- PSY 3213C Research Methods in Psychology 4 hrs
- PSB 3002 Physiological Psychology 3 hrs
- PSY 4604 History and Systems of Psychology 3 hrs
- SOP 3004 Social Psychology 3 hrs
- DEP 2004 Developmental Psychology 3 hrs
- EXP 3604 Cognitive Psychology 3 hrs
- PSY 4049 Psychology Capstone 2 hrs

•Take PSY 3024 in 1st semester
•Take PSY 3074 in 2nd semester
•Recommend: PSY 4604 as a senior
•Complete Stats courses in order:
1st- STA 2014C or STA 2023
2nd- PSY 3204C
3rd- PSY 3213C
•Take PSY 4049 in LAST semester
-PSY 3024, 3074, & 4049 are all online only, S/U graded (don't affect GPA)

5. Diversity Electives (3 hrs)

- Select ONE from the following:**
- SOP 3742 Psychology of Women or 3 hrs
 - SOP 3723 Cross Cultural Psychology or 3 hrs
 - SOP 3724 Psychology of Prejudice or 3 hrs
 - SOP 3784 Psychology of Diversity 3 hrs

6. Psychology Tracks (min. 15 hrs)

Choose ONE Track

Check courses for prerequisites

5 Courses

Track 1: Clinical Psychology

5 courses (min.15 hrs)

Required:

- CLP 3143 Psychopathology

Select 4 of the following:

- APK 3400 Sports Psychology
- CLP 3004 Behavioral Self Control
- CLP 3184 Women's Mental Health
- CLP 3302 Clinical Psychology
- CLP 3413 Contemporary Behavior Therapy
- CLP 4134 Childhood Psychopathology
- CLP 4314 Health Psychology
- CLP 4390 Forensic Psychology
- DEP 3202 Psychology of Exceptional Children
- DEP 3464 Psychology of Aging
- EAB 3703 Principles of Behavior Modification
- EAB 3706 Behavior Modification Part 2
- PCO 4203 Interviewing and Counseling
- PPE 3003 Personality Theory and Research
- PSB 3441 Psychobiological Aspects of Drugs
- PSY 3302 Psychological Measurement
- PSY 4215C Advanced Research Methods in Psychology
- SOP 2772 Sexual Behavior
- SOP 3751 Legal Aspects of Psychology

Study, diagnose, and treat mental, emotional, and behavioral disorders

***if you took courses at your previous school that are similar, they may count, email Psychadvising@ucf.edu**

Track 2: Industrial/Organizational Psychology

5 courses (min.15 hrs)

Required:

- INP 3004 Industrial Organizational Psychology

Select 4 of the following courses:

- CLP 4314 Health Psychology
- EXP 3404 Basic Learning Processes
- EXP 3304 Motivation
- INP 3141C Advanced Applied Psychology
- INP 3951 Industrial/Organizational Fieldwork
- INP 4313 Organizational Psychology
- INP 4380 Psychology of Teamwork
- PPE 3003 Personality Theory and Research
- PSY 3302 Psychological Measurement
- PSY 4215C Advanced Research Methods in Psychology

Understand productivity, management, & employee working styles to improve quality of life related to workplace

Track 3: Human Factors Psychology

5 courses (min.15 hrs)

Required:

- EXP 3250 Principles of Human Factors Psychology

Select 4 of the following courses:

- EXP 3204 Sensation and Perception
- EXP 4507 Advanced Human Memory and Cognition
- PSB 4240 Neuropsychology
- PSY 3630 Psychology of Human-Animal Interaction
- PSY 4215C Advanced Research Methods in Psychology

Apply human behavior to design and use of products, systems, tools, and environments for comfortable human use

Track 4: Neuroscience 5 courses (min. 15 hrs)

Required:

- PSB 4240 Neuropsychology (PR: PSB 3002)

Select 4 of the following courses:

- EXP 3204 Sensation and Perception
- EXP 3304 Motivation
- PSB 3441 Psychobiological Aspects of Drugs
- PSB 3842 Sleep and Dreams
- PSY 4215C Advanced Research Methods in Psychology

Understand how brain affects cognitive function and behavior

Track 5: Experimental 5 courses (min.15 hrs)

Select 5 of the following courses:

- EXP 3304 Motivation
- EXP 3640 Psychology of Language
- EXP 3404 Basic Learning Processes
- EXP 4507 Advanced Human Memory and Cognition
- EXP 3204 Sensation and Perception
- PSY 3302 Psychological Measurement
- PSY 3320 Survey Methods in Psychology
- PSY 3635 Science and Pseudoscience in Psychology
- PSY 4215C Advanced Research Methods in Psychology

Focus on design, analysis, and dissemination of research through experimentation related to behavior

Track 6: General 5 courses (min.15 hrs)

Select any five (5) courses from those taught by Psychology

NOTE: The following courses will **NOT** fulfill this requirement.

- × INP 3141C Advanced Applied Psychology 1 hr
- × INP 3951 Industrial/Organizational Field Work 3 hrs
- × PSY 3905 Directed Independent Study 1 hr
- × PSY 4906 Directed Independent Study 1 hr
- × PSY 4912 Directed Independent Research 1 hr

Contact
psychadvising@ucf.edu
for list of all classes offered in psychology

7. Math/Science Electives (6 hrs)

Select TWO from the following: Highlighted courses have been available online at UCF

(Students must meet the course prerequisites for any course they select. See course catalog for prerequisites.)

- ANT 2511 The Human Species
- ANT 3541 Biobehavioral Anthropology (PR: Sophomore standing)
- ANT 3550C Primatology (PR: ANT 2511 or BSC 2010C)
- ANT 4516 Human Biological Diversity (PR: ANT 2511 or BSC 2010C)
- ANT 4586C Human Origins (PR: ANT 2511)
- BSC 2011C Biology II (PR: BSC 2010C)
- BSC 4312C Advanced Marine Biology (PR: BSC 3312 and PCB 3044)
- CHM 1020 Concepts in Chemistry (PR: High school algebra)
- CHM 2045C Chemistry Fundamentals I (PR: Passing score in Chem Placement Exam)
- CHM 2046 Chemistry Fundamentals II (PR: "C" or better in CHM 2045C or CHM 2041)
- EVR XXXX Any EVR prefix course (like EVR 3008)
- HSA 4702 Health Sciences Research Methods (PR: STA 2014C or STA 2023, Jr standing)
- HSC 3147 Introduction to Pharmacology (PR: BSC 2010C and Sophomore standing)MAC 2233 Concepts of Calculus (PR: Passing score on Math Placement Exam, or MAC1140C)
- MAC 2253 Applied Calculus (PR: MAC 114C or passing score on Math Placement exam)
- MCB XXXX Any MCB prefix course
- PCB 3063 Genetics (PR: "C" or higher in CHM 2046C)
- PCB 3703C Human Physiology (PR: BSC 2010C and CHM 1032 or CHM 2045C)
- PHY 2053C College Physics I (PR: MAC 1105C and MAC114C)
- PSC 1121 Physical Science
- STA 4102 Computer Processing of Statistical Data (PR: STA4163 and programming knowledge)
- STA 4163 Statistical Methods II (PR: STA 2023)
- STA 4164 Statistical Methods III (PR: STA 4163)
- ZOO XXXX Any ZOO prefix course

Honors in the Major: (6 hrs)

- Honors in Psychology** major is available to majors who show outstanding scholarship and promise in psychology.
- Apply and be accepted into the program through the department and Burnett Honors College. More information about Honors in the Major can be found at honors.ucf.edu/research.
- Fulfill University requirements for Honors in the Major.
- Earn an overall UCF GPA above 3.2.
- All grades in Psychology courses must be a "B" (3.0) or higher.
- Have a Psychology GPA above 3.5, based on at least 11 credits, including the following course.
 - PSY 3213C Research Methods in Psychology 4 hrs
 - PSY 4903H Honors Directed Reading I 3 hrs
 - PSY 4970H Undergraduate Honors Thesis 3 hrs

Related Minors and Certificates

Certificates:

- Behavioral Forensics Psychology

Minors:

- Anthropology
- Cognitive Sciences
- Criminal Justice
- Human Services
- Sociology
- Statistics

You can complete a minor/certificate/double major or dual degree in ANY program you wish. Just be knowledgeable about financial aid/excess hour fees since this is not required for your degree

If your goal is to change your career or apply to graduate/professional program after finishing your bachelor's degree, then be sure **to build meaningful relationships with your faculty and gain relevant experience in your field.** Information about related organizations, research experience, internships and more on our webpage here: psychology.cos.ucf.edu/undergraduate-psychology-advising/

Possible Plan of Study:

Freshman Year- Fall	15 hrs	Freshman Year- Spring	15 hrs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> PSY 2012 General Psychology (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> ENC 1101 Composition 1 (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> GEP Math (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> GEP Science (CHM, PSC, PHY) (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> GEP (3 hrs) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> GEP Biology (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> GEP Statistics (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> ENC 1102 Composition II (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> GEP (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> DEP 2004 Developmental Psychology (3 hrs) 	
Sophomore Year- Fall	16 hrs	Sophomore Year- Spring	16 hrs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Math/Science elective 2 (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> Diversity Restricted Elective (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> GEP (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> GEP (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Language I (4 hrs) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Track elective #1 (3hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Language II (4hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> GEP (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> Elective (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> Elective (3 hrs) 	
Junior Year- Fall	15 hrs	Junior Year- Spring	14 hrs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Track Elective #2 (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> PSY 3204C Statistical Methods in Psychology (4 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> PSY 3024 Psychology: Career Readiness I (2 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> SOP 3004 Social Psych (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> PSB 3002 Physiological Psychology (3 hrs) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Track Elective #3 (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> EXP 3604 Cognitive Psych (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> PSY 3074 Psychology: Career Readiness II (2 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> PSY 3213C Research Methods in Psychology (4 hrs) 	
Senior Year- Fall	14 hrs	Senior Year- Spring	15 hrs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Track Elective # 4 (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> PSY 4604 History and Systems of Psychology (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> Psychology Capstone (2 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> Elective (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> Elective (3 hrs) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Track Elective #5 <input type="checkbox"/> Elective (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> Elective (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> Elective (3 hrs) <input type="checkbox"/> Elective (3 hrs) 	

PSYCHOLOGY PEGASUS PATH

For information on clubs, internships, research experience, and preparing for graduate school and careers, visit our **Psychology Advising Center Homepage** at sciences.ucf.edu/psychology/undergraduate-advising

Semester 1			
Class Prefix	Class Title	Credits	Other Activities
			Get involved in clubs and organizations
Semester 2			
Class Prefix	Class Title	Credits	Other Activities
			Start searching for Internship/Research Opportunities
Semester 3			
Class Prefix	Class Title	Credits	Other Activities
			Internship/research experience

Accountability Statement: This path is meant to be used as a planning tool, not as a set schedule. Students should understand that their advisor is available to them as a guide; however, it is the responsibility of the student to understand their university and psychology requirements as indicated by their degree audit and catalog.

Semester 4			
Class Prefix	Class Title	Credits	Other Activities
			Senior Year: prepare for/apply to grad school
Semester 5			
Class Prefix	Class Title	Credits	Other Activities
Semester 6			
Class Prefix	Class Title	Credits	Other Activities

Think30Scholarship: Plan to take 12 credits in fall/spring and 6 in summer OR take 15 in fall/spring to graduate within the 4 year timeline . Take 30 credits a year and you could qualify for a scholarship: <https://academicsuccess.ucf.edu/ssa/think-30/>

Full time for financial aid in summer is usually 6 credits, for fall/spring is 12 credits

S/U graded classes don't count towards full time status for Dean'sList/President's List so you may want to take additional courses along with PSY 3024, 3074, and 4049

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PSYCHOLOGY STUDENTS AT UCF (12/21)

Check for updates on psychology.cos.ucf.edu/undergraduate-psychology-advising/

PSYCHOLOGY RELATED STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

There may be other clubs and organizations at regional campuses or outside of psychology related to your field. Some clubs may not be open to online students. You will receive the most benefit if able to attend regular meetings, and can earn leadership experience as an officer- a great way to build relationships with club faculty advisors.

UCF Psychological Society



The Psychological Society is an organization for those interested in getting involved with Psychology. Link with faculty, staff, and professionals in the field, learn about volunteer and research opportunities, and provide information about Psychology at UCF.

- Email: psychsociety.ucf@gmail.com
- psychology.cos.ucf.edu/psychsociety
- Find them on Facebook: [Psych Society at UCF Main Campus](#) & Instagram: [psychsociety_ucf](#)
- knightconnect.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/psych_society

Psi Chi International Honor Society



As a Psychology major or minor, you can join Psi Chi honor society if you meet their yearly GPA cutoff. This society recognizes scholastic excellence and contributions to the field of Psychology by undergraduate majors. Getting involved with Psi Chi at UCF opens a wealth of information and support from the National Psi Chi office:

www.psichi.org

- Email: ucfpsichi@gmail.com
- psychology.cos.ucf.edu/psichi
- Find them on Facebook: [Psi Chi at UCF-Orlando Chapter](#) & Instagram: [ucfpsichi](#)
- [Knightconnect.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/psichiinternationalhonorsocietyofpsychologyorlando](https://knightconnect.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/psichiinternationalhonorsocietyofpsychologyorlando)

Knights Multicultural Psychological Student Association (KMPSA)



The goal of this organization is to embrace diversity in psychology. They host annual conferences and help with getting involved with Psychology in the UCF and Orlando community. Check them out during their office hours in **PSY 323**.

- Find them on Facebook: [Multicultural Psychological Student Association](#)
- Email: ucfmpsa.ucf@gmail.com & Instagram: [ucf_mpsa](#)
- [Knightconnect.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/knightmulticulturalpsychologicalstudentassociation](https://knightconnect.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/knightmulticulturalpsychologicalstudentassociation)

Student Professionals for Industrial/Organizational Psychology (SPIOP)



Promote graduate and undergraduate students' understanding and involvement within the field of Industrial/Organizational Psychology. SPIOP focuses on providing opportunities for students to share ideas and information. Provide forums for students to exchange research, insights, and information related to the science,

practice, and teaching of Industrial/Organizational Psych, Promote the education of future Industrial/Organizational Psychologists, Promote public awareness of the field of Industrial-Organizational Psychology

- sciences.ucf.edu/psychology/spiop/
- Find them on Facebook: [UCF SPIOP](#)
- knightconnect.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/spiop

Active Minds



Though not a Psychology specific organization, this is a club you can be a part of to help spread the importance of Mental Health on the college campus. Through campus-wide events and national programs, Active Minds aims to remove the stigma that surrounds mental health issues, and create a comfortable environment for an open conversation about mental health issues on campuses throughout North America.

- Check out their website: caps.sdes.ucf.edu/outreach/signature-programs/active/
- Find them on Facebook: www.facebook.com/UCFActiveMinds & Instagram: [ucfactiveminds](https://www.instagram.com/ucfactiveminds)
- knightconnect.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/activeminds

Neuroscience Alliance at UCF



Promotes awareness, research and opportunities in neuroscience at UCF. These goals shall be achieved by encouraging professional relations between students and faculty, providing meetings and guest speakers related to neuroscience, potential outreaches in the form of shadowing neuroscience related professionals, volunteering at schools, hospitals, or other such facilities, and creating committees involving projects and ideas relevant to neuroscience within any area such as medicine, philosophy, psychology, biotechnology, psychiatry, computer science, chemistry, cognitive science, linguistics, mathematics, engineering, and physics. As well as maintaining a diverse community open to all majors Check out their website:

www.neuroallianceucf.com/

- Find them on Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/neuroallianceucf/
- Email: sneuroallianceucf@gmail.com
- knightconnect.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/neuroscienceallianceatucf

American Psychological Association- Student Affiliate



AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION You can become an APA Student Affiliate as a Psychology undergraduate to be a member of the national organization in psychology, have access to subscriptions, and learn about internships and career resources, possible scholarships, and more. To find out how to become an APA Student Affiliate go to www.apa.org/membership/student/index.aspx

OTHER INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Office of Student Involvement

Join student organizations, clubs, and go to campus events to meet new peers, network with faculty, staff, and professionals, gain leaderships skills and enjoy your time at UCF! This is what college is about- get involved! Make an appointment with KORT (Knights of the Round Table)'s KNIGHT QUEST to learn about involvement opportunities: osi.ucf.edu/kort/knightquest/

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

*Most psychology specific graduate programs require **at least 1 year** of research experience or more on your resume or CV. All research experience is good research experience! Learning how to work with participants, read, collect, and input or code data, and work on research papers will be necessary to apply for graduate programs in any field.*

- **UCF Psychology Department opportunities:** The faculty in the Psychology Department are very active in research:
 - Labs in the Psychology Department: psychology.cos.ucf.edu/research/laboratories
 - To apply to a research lab, go to **RA Match** and click on the lab(s) you wish to apply to. RA Match: psy-ramatch.cos.ucf.edu/
 - Next, be sure to *make an appointment to meet the professor* to talk about graduate school and the availability of a research position within their lab. Their contact information will be posted on their lab webpage or you can get it from the UCF Psych webpage.
 - Most labs prefer that you have earned a “B” or better in PSY3204C Statistical Methods in Psychology at minimum. If you can’t get into the research lab relevant to your preferred field, don’t worry!
 - Some labs require that you are CITI trained. Go to www.citiprogram.org/ and log in with your NID and NID password to take the CITI training course for **Group 2: Social/Behavioral Research Investigators and Key Personnel Group**
- **UCF Institute for Simulation Training** (www.ist.ucf.edu)
- **UCF Marriage and Family Research Institute** (www.mfri.ucf.edu)
- **OUR- Office of Undergraduate Research:** You can find out about getting involved in other research outside of psychology and other opportunities with research at UCF www.our.ucf.edu, or visit their peer advisors in Tech. Commons II, Rm 209
- **Honors Undergraduate Thesis (HUT) Program:** The Burnett Honors College hosts the HUT program which offers UCF juniors and seniors the opportunity to earn Honors distinction on their diploma. Students work with faculty in their major to produce an independent thesis on an original topic in their area of interest. <https://honors.ucf.edu/hut/about/> & sciences.ucf.edu/psychology/him/
- **McNair Scholars Program:** McNair prepares undergraduate students for doctoral studies through involvement in research and other scholarly activities. Participants are either first-generation college students and low-income as defined by federal guidelines or members of a group that is traditionally underrepresented in graduate school. mcnair.ucf.edu
- **Research and Mentoring Program (RAMP):** RAMP offers paid research experiences to students in their junior and senior years with the potential to continue in graduate school. Faculty members mentor students, and participants engage in research throughout the academic year. www.ramp.ucf.edu
- **Burnett Research Scholars:** The Burnett Honors College hosts the SMART program, which offers research experiences to all UCF undergraduate students who have completed at least one semester and have at least two semesters left before graduation. SMART offers grants to students and faculty every spring, summer, and fall. research.honors.ucf.edu/burnett-research-scholars
- **Summer Research Academy (SRA):** This two-and-a-half day event is held every summer for transfer students and rising sophomores and juniors. SRA scholars receive one credit and free housing (if needed) for the academy, where they learn about academic research. www.sra.ucf.edu

INTERNSHIPS

Internships or relevant experiences can come from a variety of opportunities. This could be volunteer work, service learning, co-op, part-time or full-time work. Remember any experience you earn credit for costs normal tuition amount. It might NOT affect Excess Hours!

Office of Experiential Learning

OEL has internship opportunities available for students of all majors. Start with creating an account on **Handshake** found on csel.ucf.edu. Then when jobs, internships, and Co-Op opportunities come up, you can apply!

PSY 4942- Instructional Experiences in Undergraduate Psychology- Psych Elective!

This Teaching Assistant (TA) experience is designed for advanced psychology majors who want to explore teaching as part of their professional development. Additionally this experience gives students a chance to work more closely with professors in the Psychology Department. It is required that you register for **PSY 4942 Instructional Experiences in Psychology**, during your first semester as a Teaching Assistant. PSY 4942 is an **online (S/U) graded 1 credit course** that coincides with the work you complete with a faculty member. You can take the TA course/internship up to 3 times.

To become a TA- While you are in classes, network with your professors by attending office hours, participating in class, and having conversations with them one on one. Well before the semester you want to assist them, ask for their permission. TA duties depend on the each individual professor you work with.

To enroll in PSY 4942- bring in a note or email from a professor to the Psychology Advising Center in PSY 250 (Psychadvising@ucf.edu) that says you can be a TA for them. Psychology Advising will send you the instructions to enroll and complete the FERPA training to be a TA.

If you have completed the TA class, you can TA again as a volunteer and for other professors. Just work it out with that professor what your duties will be, no need to enroll for TA course again.

Psychology Peer Advising, PSY 3022 Academic Counseling – Psych Elective!

The Psychology Peer Advisors (PA's) are advanced undergraduate psychology majors who assist other psychology majors/minors to understand and complete their psychology degree requirements. The PA's help students understand university policies and procedures, assist in schedule planning, and provide advisement on other academic matters such as applying for extracurricular activities and graduate school. Peer Advisors are not paid, but do earn upper level psychology credit for participating in the internship. This is a **3 semester commitment for the academic year: Fall, Spring, and Summer at 10 hour per week**. In the first semester, PA's take a 3-credit S/U graded course and have the option to enroll in additional internship credit as needed.

PA's are chosen based on GPA, other related experience, and extracurricular activities.

Applications are found on the advising center homepage under Meet your Advisor. It is *highly* recommended you speak to a Peer Advisor before applying. Applications are due around early summer, with interviews conducted soon after. Training will start for selected PA's before Fall starts. **Apply on Handshake!**

Other relevant experiences: Tutoring or coaching like with UCF SARC, Peer Mentor with UCF CAPS, Resident Assistant in housing, Career Peer Advisor with UCF Career Services, volunteer with Campus Activities, & more, even part-time or full-time work may be relevant!

Gain entry level experience **now** as a student doing internships, volunteering, and getting involved with campus activities. Check our website for more information on internships: psychology.cos.ucf.edu/undergraduate-psychology-advising/opportunities-in-psychology Contact Psychadvising@ucf.edu if you have questions

Use these sites to start your research on these careers, but nothing is better than talking to someone who is already a professional in that career! :

- U.S. Bureau of Labor and Statistics, Occupational Outlook Handbook: www.bls.gov/ooh
- O*Net: www.onetonline.org
- www.Myplan.com Use free code found on Career Services Virtual Career Center on Explore Major & Careers: career.ucf.edu/students/discover-your-interests-and-ucf-majors/
- **What Can I Do with This Major?** Find link through: career.ucf.edu/students/discover-your-interests-and-ucf-majors/
- **Informational Interview:** career.ucf.edu/docs/informational_interviewing_handout.pdf

Find a mentor to guide you!

- Google search for professionals near you
- UCF Alumni on LinkedIn
- UCF Faculty/Staff

SOME CAREERS WITH A BACHELORS DEGREE:

Actor	Event Planner	Physical Therapist Assistant
Activities Director	Financial Advisor	Police Officer
Advertising Sales Representative	Fire/Arson Investigator	Polygraph Examiner
Airline Pilot	Fitness Trainer/Instructor	Probation/Parole Officer
Animal Trainer	Funeral Director/Mortician	Psychiatric Aide/Technician
Arbitrator/Mediator/Ombudsman	Geriatric Social Worker	Public Health Director
Benefits Manager	Group Worker	Public Health Social Worker
Caseworker/Manager	Health Care Administrator	Public Relations Representative
Claims Supervisor	Health Coach/Educator	Purchasing Agent
Child Development/Life Specialist	Hearing Aid Specialist	Realtor
Child Caseworker/ Social Worker	Higher Education Personnel	Recreation Leader/Supervisor
Crisis Intervention Counselor	Human Resources Advisor	Recreational Therapist
Coach/Scout	Immigration Officer	Rehabilitation Counselor
Computer Programmer	Interior Designer	Research Assistant
Community Organization Worker	Job/Occupational Analyst	Sales Representative
Coroner	Labor Relations Specialist	Security Manager
Conservation Officer	Life/Transformational Coach	Sheriff/Deputy Sheriff
Correctional Treatment Specialist	Loan Counselor	Social/Human Services Aid/Assist
Corrections Officer	Management Analyst	Software Developer
Criminal Investigator /FBI /Detective	Media Buyer	Special Education Teacher
Customer Service Representative	Military Officer	Substance Abuse Counselor
Data Base Admin/Design Analyst	Nurse	Systems Analyst
Department Manager	Patient Advocate	Technical Writer
Delinquency Prevention Socialwork	Patient Resources Agent	Youth Minister
Disability Case/Support Worker	Paralegal or Legal Assistant	Veterans Counselor
Elementary/High School Teacher	Paramedic/ EMT	Veterans Service Representative
Employee Health Maintenance	Personnel Recruiter	Victim's Advocate
Employee Relations Specialist	Pharmaceutical Sales Rep	Vocational Training Instructor
Employment Interviewer	Photographer	Volunteer Coordinator

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Interested in Teaching K-12 in Florida?

- You can be a teacher in the State of Florida with the Psychology Bachelor's degree. www.fldoe.org/edcert/level3.asp has more information.
- Or you can be a **substitute** teacher in your county, with usually just an associate's degree. Find out from your county's School Board what the requirements are.

SERVICE CAREERS:

These careers may allow student loan forbearance and have opportunities for scholarships for graduate school. Check out their websites for details:

- Teach for America: www.teachforamerica.org
- PeaceCorps: www.peacecorps.gov
- AmeriCorps: www.americorps.gov
- Public Allies: www.publicallies.org
- City Year: www.cityyear.org

SOME CAREERS WITH GRADUATE/PROFESSIONAL DEGREE:

Adolescent Psychologist	Family/General Practitioner	Organizational Development Specialist
Adv. Practice Psychiatric Nurse	Forensic Psychologist	Outpatient Therapist
Applied Analytical Statistician	Gender Psychologist	Pastoral/Spiritual Counselor
Analytical Psychologist	Genetic Counselor	Pediatrician
Audiologist	Gerontological Counselor	Pediatric Psychologist
Aviation Psychologist	Grief Counselor	Performance Psychologist
Behavioral Health Counselor	Health Psychologist	Personality Psychologist
Biogerontologist	Higher Education Student Personnel	Pharmacologist
Biological Psychologist	Holistic Therapist	Physician Assistant
Career/Vocational Counselor	Hospitalist	Physiological Psychologist
Child Abuse Counselor	Humanistic Psychologist	Political Psychologist
Child/Developmental Psychologist	Industrial/Organizational Psychologist	Positive Psychologist
Christian Psychologist	Internist	Psychometrist
Chiropractor	Lawyer	Psychotherapist
Clinical/Psychiatric Social Worker	Legal Psychologist	Psychiatrist
Cognitive Psychologist/Neuroscientist	Marriage/Family Therapist	Quantitative/Math Psychologist
College/Univ Professor or Admin	Medical Social Worker	Realist Therapist
Community Counselor	Mental Health Counselor	School Guidance Counselor
Consulting Psychologist	Military Chaplain	School Social Worker or Teacher
Consumer Psychologist	Military Counselor	School Psychologist
Counseling Psychologist	Military Psychologist	Sex Therapist
Criminal Psychologist	Military Research Psychologist	Social Gerontologist
Depression/Suicide Counselor	Minister/Preacher/Chaplain	Social Psychologist
Dietician	Multicultural Counselor	Special Education Counselor
Disability Therapist	Music Psychologist	Speech Pathologist
Domestic Abuse/Violence Counselor	Music Therapist	Sport Psychologist
Eating Disorder Counselor/Specialist	Naturopathic Physician	Substance Abuse Social Worker
Educational Psychologist	Neurologist/Neuropathologist	Traffic Psychologist
Environmental Psychologist	Neuropsychologist	Transpersonal Psychologist
Executive Coach/PR Counselor	Neurosurgeon	Veterinarian
Exercise Therapist	Nurse Practitioner	Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor
Existential Psychologist	Occupational Health Psychologist	Human Factors/Usability/Development Engineer or Psychologist
Experimental/Research Psychologist	Occupational Therapist	
Evolutionary Psychologist	Operational Psychologist	
Family Counselor/Caseworker	Optometrist	

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Prepare for Graduate/Professional School: Prepare now by getting good grades, study for the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) or MCAT/LSAT/GMAT for other programs, line up those **3 letters of recommendation** from faculty and supervisors, change your **resume into a curriculum vita**, practice your **interview**, write the **personal statement essay**, and be ready to turn in the application requirements by the **programs' deadlines**. More information here: psychology.cos.ucf.edu/undergraduate-psychology-advising/preparing-for-graduate-school/

Do you want to be a Psychologist? Talk with our Professors, find a mentor, get involved in research and teaching assistant positions, and get GREAT grades for this highly competitive field. <https://www.apa.org/careers/resources/guides/careers>

See **UCF Career Services** for additional assistance with career planning, resume writing, interview tips, personal statement critiques, salary negotiations, connection with employers looking to hire UCF students! 407-823-2361 www.career.ucf.edu