### **PSYCHOLOGY**



Program Contact

Dr. Lisa DiDonato • 301.846.2465 • Ididonato@frederick.edu

# **Psychology**

The Psychology Area of Concentration within the A.A. in Social Sciences employs a systemic and critical thinking approach to provide students with knowledge and skills necessary for understanding the origins and dynamics of individual and group behavior.

# Psychology Area of Concentration within the A.A. in Social Sciences

The Psychology Area of Concentration within the A.A. in Social Sciences teaches skills valued throughout the public and private sector, and prepares students for transfer to a four-year college or university.

Students are introduced to the major concepts, theoretical perspectives, empirical findings, and historical trends in psychology. Students will apply critical thinking to understand and address issues and problems related to human behavior and mental processes.

#### **Learning Outcomes**

- Demonstrate familiarity with the major concepts, theoretical perspectives, empirical findings, and historical trends in psychology through the successful completion of discipline-specific courses.
- Explore and examine critical thinking using the scientific approach to solve problems related to human behavior and mental processes through completion of a series of application exercises.
- Apply psychological concepts, theories, and research findings to everyday life.
- Develop insight into one's own behavior and mental processes and apply effective strategies for self-management and self-improvements.
- Explore the elements of multiculturalism through learning about social constructs such as gender, SES, race, and ethnicity.
- Students will emerge from the program of study with ideas on how to implement one's knowledge of psychology, skills, and values in future occupational and educational pursuits.

For more information:

Dr. Lisa DiDonato • 301.846.2465 • Ididonato@frederick.edu



### **Growth Potential & Estimated Salaries**

The median annual wage for psychologists was \$80,370 in May 2019. Overall employment of psychologists is projected to grow 14% from 2018 to 2028, much faster than the average for all occupations.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Outlook Handbook (bls.aov/ooh)

### **Financial Assistance**

Frederick Community College (FCC) provides a tuition payment plan for students who wish to spread payment over several months. Scholarship and loan assistance is available for eligible students. For complete scholarship information, contact Financial Aid at 301.846.2620.

#### **Transfer Note**

To find more information about how credits will transfer from FCC to a state four-year institution, visit artsys.usmd.edu or consult a College advisor. FCC has articulation agreements with Mount St. Mary's University, Salisbury University, University of Maryland Shady Grove, Stevenson University, and University of Maryland-Global Campus allowing students a seamless transfer experience. Students who plan to transfer should speak with an advisor or program manager from their chosen transfer institution before selecting elective courses.

## View required course listings: frederick.edu/psychology

Frederick Community College prohibits discrimination against any person on the basis of age, ancestry, citizenship status, color, creed, ethnicity, gender identity and expression, genetic information, marital status, mental or physical disability, national origin, race, religious affiliation, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status in its activities, admissions, educational programs, and employment.

Frederick Community College makes every effort to accommodate individuals with disabilities for College-sponsored events and programs. If you have accommodation needs or questions, please call 301.846.2408. To request a sign language interpreter, please visit http://fcc-interpreting.genbook.com. If you have interpreting related questions, please email Interpreting@frederick. edu. Sign language interpreters will not be automatically provided for College-sponsored events without a request for services. To guarantee accommodations, requests must be made at least five workdays in advance of a scheduled event. If your request pertains to accessible transportation for a College-sponsored trip, please submit your request at least 21 calendar days in advance. Requests made less than 21 calendar days in advance may not be able to be guaranteed.