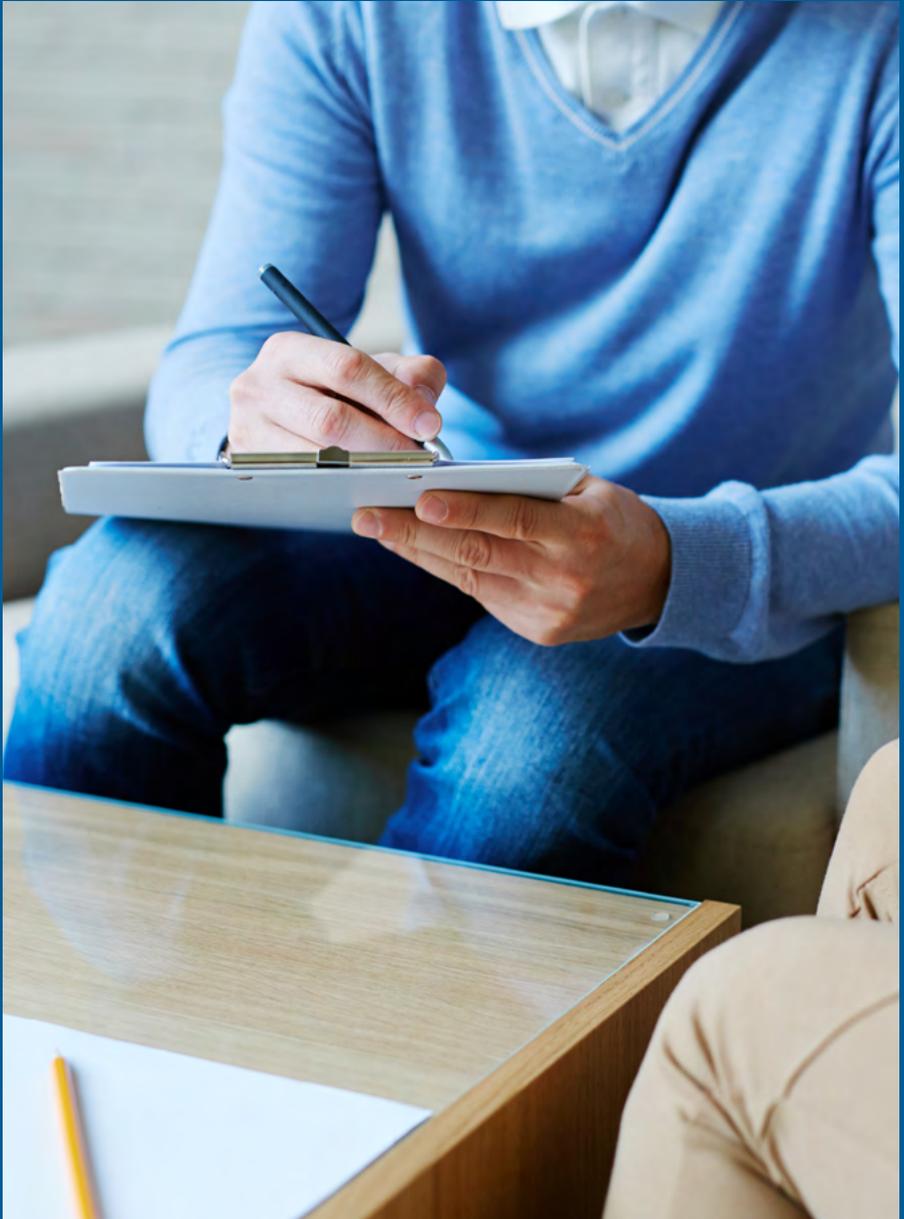


PSYCHOLOGY

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Psychology

*Psychologists study cognitive, emotional, and social processes and behavior by observing, interpreting, and recording how people relate to one another and their environments. They seek to understand and explain thoughts, emotions, feelings, and behavior. Psychologists use techniques such as observation, assessment, and experimentation to develop theories about the beliefs and feelings that influence a person. They look for patterns of behavior or relationships between events, and use this information when testing theories in their research or treating patients.**

The Program

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. The psychology program 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.

Students are introduced to the major concepts, theoretical perspectives, empirical findings, and historical trends in psychology in order to critically assess and understand dynamics and problems related to the individual's 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 through reflection papers.
- 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, socioeconomic status (SES), race, and ethnicity.
- Upon completion of other Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI), students will emerge from the program of study with ideas on how to implement their knowledge of psychology, skills, and values in future occupational and educational pursuits.

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Growth Potential & Estimated Salaries

The median annual wage for psychologists was \$79,010 in May 2018. Overall employment of psychologists is projected to grow 14 percent from 2016 to 2026, faster than the average for all occupations.*

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.

Transfer Note

Students can transfer the equivalent of 60 credits to any four-year institution in Maryland. 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. 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

*Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Psychologists

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