

## Psychology

### At UW-Eau Claire

Are you attracted to careers devoted to helping others live more satisfying lives? Then the Psychology major is an excellent choice. You'll gain skills, knowledge and understanding of the human experience to assist individuals and groups through difficult life situations. These situations include drug abuse, domestic violence, behavioral and emotional programs, as well as cognitive and physical disabilities.

### Why UW-Eau Claire?

Through small classroom discussions, hands-on learning, research projects and with a breadth of faculty, UW-Eau Claire will provide you with the knowledge and skills needed to seek an advanced degree or a psychology-related career.

### Excellent facilities

UW-Eau Claire has excellent facilities, including state-of-the-art human and animal laboratories, rooms equipped for group or individual experiments, and behavior observation rooms with videotape equipment.

### Helping others

Many students select volunteer, for-credit or paid work experiences that allow them to help others, gain skills and explore interests related to psychology. Examples of such experiences include: service-learning projects that enable you to work with specific populations, such as survivors of domestic abuse, school-age children or older adults; involvement in campus programs, such as Counseling Services' peer counselors or the Center for Awareness of Sexual Assault (CASA); employment through an area hospital, the Eau Claire Academy or other businesses/organizations. Many

services in the area recruit applicants through UW-Eau Claire's Career Services.

### Hands-on experience

Students also gain hands-on experience at our on-campus counseling center and off-campus locations such as a center for the developmentally disabled, a treatment center for children with emotional disabilities, halfway houses and a crisis intervention service.

### Campus Autism program

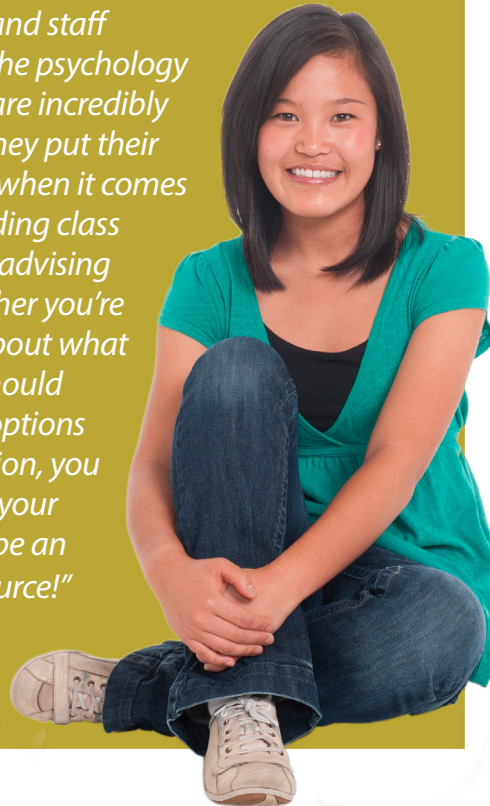
The Campus Autism program at UW-Eau Claire brings together psychology students and families with children with autism to offer intensive behavioral intervention. Professional

therapists emphasize teaching communication skills and intervention techniques and educating caregivers about how to help their child make progress. Student therapists provide personalized treatment services in a fun teaching environment. Approximately 20 UW-Eau Claire psychology majors work with children through the program.



*"The faculty and staff members in the psychology department are incredibly supportive. They put their students first when it comes to understanding class material and advising as well. Whether you're wondering about what classes you should be taking or options after graduation, you can count on your professors to be an excellent resource!"*

— Abby



## Our graduates

Many UW-Eau Claire Psychology majors continue academic study and obtain graduate degrees so that they can work as academic or practicing psychologists. Psychology students

also are well prepared to pursue a variety of careers in diverse fields immediately following graduation because they've developed the skills employers identify as highly desirable.

### Places our grads go:

- Program Coordinator, Alternative for People with Autism, St. Paul, MN
- Child Life Specialist, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

## Majors

Psychology, Liberal Arts

Psychology with an Emphasis in Behavioral Analysis

## Minors

Psychology, Liberal Arts

## Course work

In addition to a variety of general education courses in communications, social sciences, natural sciences and humanities, all psychology majors and minors are required to take the following core courses in psychology:

General Psychology  
Psychology as a Discipline and Profession  
Statistics  
Research Methods  
History and Systems  
Senior Capstone

Elective courses within the major may be organized around students' interests and career goals. The department offers courses in the following areas: clinical/counseling, developmental, social, personality, behavior genetics, evolutionary, physiological, motivation, cognition, learning, language, gender, and the applied areas of behavior analysis, education and aging.

## note:

### Undergraduate Emphasis in Behavior Analysis Leading to National Certification

The department of Psychology has an emphasis in behavior analysis designed to prepare students for certification as associate behavior analysts. Certification as an associate behavior analyst requires the successful completion of course work, supervised experience and the certification examination described below. All credits earned in the certification emphasis may be applied toward the graduation requirement for a Psychology major.

#### Course Requirements:

- Psyc 281, Intro to Behavior Analysis and Therapy
- Psyc 312, Experimental Analysis of Behavior
- Psyc 390, Advanced Applied Behavior Analysis

#### Supervised Experience:

- Psyc 480/481, Internship in Applied Behavior Analysis (six months of supervised experience)

#### Certification Examination:

Certification is awarded after successful completion of the National Certification Examination.

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