

Why Study Psychology?

Psychology is an exciting and dynamic field that actively explores an understanding of behavioral and cognitive processes. Psychologists study learning, thinking, attitudes, emotions, brain activity, gender and cultural issues, development, and human abilities, among other areas. Drawing on scientific research, psychologists help individuals, families, and communities learn about themselves, solve problems, and live more enriching lives.

Degrees and Programs

The Psychology Department at Caldwell College offers a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Psychology, a Master of Arts (M.A.) in Counseling Psychology, and a Post-Masters Licensing program for those who already have a graduate degree in the field and wish to pursue New Jersey licensing requirements as a counselor. In 2003, we began offering a specialization in School Counseling within the M.A. degree in Counseling Psychology. In collaboration with the Art Department, the Psychology Department also offers both undergraduate and graduate specializations in Art Therapy. Our newest program offers a non-degree graduate program in Applied Behavior Analysis that is geared towards working with children with developmental delays, such as autism-spectrum disorders.

The College That Majors in You.

Just 20 miles from NYC, our beautiful wooded campus lies in suburban Caldwell, New Jersey, in a safe and relaxing environment. The College offers a coeducational, four-year liberal arts education rooted in a proud 800-year Dominican tradition of teaching excellence and ethical values.



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The Faculty

The Department of Psychology's dedicated and outstanding faculty has many years of scholarly and applied experience. The faculty includes licensed clinicians with extensive counseling experience, authors of books, chapters, and numerous journal articles, consultants for major businesses, and researchers who regularly publish their work and present at professional conferences. The Psychology faculty's main focus and concern is teaching. The faculty is known for its dedication, encouragement, and concern for students. The Department's faculty includes:

Linda Farina, Lecturer in Psychology
M.A., Caldwell College

Marie Hudson, Professor
Ph.D., New School for Social Research

Stephen M. Maret, Professor
Ph.D., Drew University

Joseph P. Pedoto, Associate Professor
Ph.D., Seton Hall University

Patrick R. Progar, Associate Professor
Ph.D., University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee

Kenneth F. Reeve, Department Chair
Ph.D., City University of NY (CUNY)

Sharon A. Reeve, Assistant Professor
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Coordinator of Applied Behavior
Analysis Graduate Program
Ph.D., City University of NY (CUNY)

Stacey M. Solomon, Assistant Professor
Ph.D., University of Virginia

*Sr. Catherine Waters, Associate Professor, Coordinator
of Counseling Psychology Graduate Programs*
Ph.D., Fordham University

Rita Wolpert, Professor
Ed.D., Columbia University

The Major

To earn the B.A. in Psychology, at least 33 of the credits completed must be Psychology courses. Of these, the following seven courses are required:

- General Psychology (Parts I & II)
- Psychology of Personality
- Psychopathology
- Psychological Statistics
- Philosophical & Historical Trends
- Experimental Psychology

In addition to the required courses, students select four additional courses from a diverse set of electives. Choices include Social Psychology, Psychology of Women, Interpersonal Relations, Child Psychology, Infant Psychology, Clinical Psychology, Psychopathology of Children, Counseling Psychology, Applied Behavior Analysis, Learning, Human Motivation, Psychopathology and Film, Health Psychology, Human Sexuality, Psychology and the Law, Psychology of Addiction, Career Counseling, Art Therapy, Cross-Cultural Counseling, Biopsychology, and others.

The Minor

Students who minor in Psychology are required to complete 18 credits in the field. Four courses are required (General Psychology Parts I and II, Personality, and Psychopathology) and two courses are free electives.

Internship and Co-Op Opportunities

In addition to course work, students are encouraged to gain some real life experience during their college years. Numerous Internships and Co-Ops are available to achieve this. Recent placements include camps for children, nursing homes, mental health facilities, schools and home programs for children with developmental disabilities, drug and alcohol rehabilitation facilities, human resource departments, facilities for runaway children, the criminal justice system, immigration services, the New Jersey Division of Family and Youth Services, homes for individuals with cognitive impairment, and many others. Following graduation, many students have been offered employment from sites where they completed their internships.

Research Opportunities

The Department encourages students to gain experience in psychological research. To provide opportunities for research, a state-of-the-art lab was completed in Summer 2004. Students who are interested in conducting research with a faculty member may take an Independent Study class with that professor. Past research collaborations between Psychology faculty and students have resulted in presentations at professional conferences such as the International Congress of Cross-Cultural Psychology, the Southeastern Psychological Association, and the Eastern Psychological Association. Some of this research has been published in professional psychology journals.

Career Opportunities

Students who graduate from Caldwell College with their B.A. degree in Psychology obtain employment in numerous different fields and settings. Recent graduates are employed as counselors, as teachers, in business and hospital settings, in social services, in human resources, in marketing, and other fields.

Graduate School

Many of our B.A. graduates choose to continue in Psychology. Some remain at Caldwell College to pursue an M.A. in Counseling Psychology or to study Applied Behavior Analysis. Others go on to graduate programs at Columbia University, New York University, Rutgers University, Montclair State University, Monmouth University, Seton Hall University, and others. Moreover, the B.A. in Psychology provides a solid background for those interested in advanced graduate study in such related areas as social work, traditional and special education, law, public administration, business, or medicine.

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