Dedicated to diversity

University of Minnesota psychology programs are committed to supporting underrepresented students in the psychological sciences. We strive to create welcoming, affirming, and inclusive spaces and seek to foster respectful exchanges of ideas.

We also strive to advance research within topics focused on underrepresented minority groups while providing a nurturing environment for students to explore and thrive in their areas of interest.

Diversity in Psychology Program

The College of Liberal Arts’ Department of Psychology, with support from the College of Education and Human Development’s Department of Educational Psychology and Institute of Child Development, sponsors the Diversity in Psychology Program to introduce students to our Ph.D. programs in psychology, developmental psychology, and educational psychology.

Each year, students selected for the program are invited to the Twin Cities—all expenses paid—to meet current students and faculty and to explore graduate program options.

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Graduate School Diversity Office

The U of M Graduate School Diversity Office provides consultation to assist prospective graduate students with the admission process and on financing graduate school.

Through its Community of Scholars Program, the office helps graduate students (U.S. citizens and permanent residents) foster opportunities to build community, strengthen networking skills, and enhance their professional development.

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Find what drives you
At the University of Minnesota, you’ll study and work alongside faculty who are leading their fields in research and discovery. You’ll join a community of students who are driven to solve the world’s biggest challenges and help people live better lives.

The U of M offers graduate degrees in psychology through three departments:
» Department of Psychology
» Department of Educational Psychology
» Institute of Child Development

Department of Psychology
College of Liberal Arts
Ph.D. in psychology
Ranked in top 10 for psychology programs in the nation (Ranked in 2017 by U.S. News & World Report).
Earn a Ph.D. in psychology with a specialization in one of seven areas:
» clinical science and psychopathology research program
» cognitive and brain science
» counseling psychology
» industrial/organizational psychology
» personality, individual differences and behavior genetics/biological psychopathology
» quantitative/psychometric methods
» social psychology

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Department of Educational Psychology
College of Education + Human Development
M.A. or Ph.D. in educational psychology
Ranked in top 10 for educational psychology and special education programs in the nation (Ranked in 2019 by U.S. News & World Report).
Counseling and student personnel psychology (M.A. only): Train to work as a community, higher education, or school counselor.

Psychological foundations of education: Prepare to become a faculty member or researcher studying learning and cognition/educational technology or social psychological and developmental processes.

Quantitative methods in education: Conduct research to solve problems in education. Areas of emphasis include: measurement, statistics education, program evaluation, and statistics.

School psychology: Conduct and apply research to help students succeed. Ph.D. students prepare for research or faculty positions. M.A. students work toward a specialist certificate (S.C.) to practice in schools.

Special education: Help all students succeed. Prepare for a faculty or other leadership role in special education.

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Institute of Child Development
College of Education + Human Development
Online M.A. in applied child and adolescent development
Draw on developmental science to address the needs of children and adolescents in practice and through policy. Apply to one of three tracks: child life, individualized studies, or infant and early childhood mental health.

Ph.D. in developmental psychology
Ranked #1 for developmental psychology programs in the nation (Ranked in 2017 by U.S. News & World Report). Students receive guaranteed funding for five academic years.

Developmental science track: Study human development across the lifespan and prepare for a career in academics or research.

Developmental psychopathology and clinical science track: Pursue a joint track in collaboration with the Department of Psychology focused on the study of psychopathology in the context of development.

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