

# Psychology

## Which employers have hired Montana State University Billings Psychology graduates?

Alternatives, Inc.	New Day, Inc.	Big Sky Behavioral Health
Human Resource Development Council (HRDC)	United Way of Yellowstone County	Yellowstone Boys & Girls Ranch
Rimrock Foundation	Mental Health Center	AWARE, Inc.

## What is the average annual wage and potential lifetime earnings for those working in the Psychology field?

Occupation	Annual wage range in MT*	Potential lifetime earnings**
Behavioral Consultant/Specialist	\$30,640 - \$59,410	\$48,520 x 39 yrs = \$1,892,280
Youth Case Manager	\$29,550 - \$37,610	\$37,610 x 39 yrs = \$1,466,790
Psychiatric Technician	\$29,210 - \$45,620	\$36,730 x 39 yrs = \$1,432,470
Mental Health Counselor	\$35,980—\$59,650	\$45,160 x 39 yrs = \$1,761,240

\* Based on wage data in the Montana Career Information System

\*\*Potential Lifetime Earnings are based on national median wage of occupation in accordance to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

## What percentage of Psychology graduates report having a job after graduating?

Out of the 52% of 2022 Psychology graduates that we received grad data on, **100% reported being employed\* after graduation.**

\* Employment includes employment in major, employment not in major, continuing education, and military service.

### Not sure if Psychology is for you?

1. Take an introductory class in the program such as Intro to Psychology. Keep mental notes or a journal to track what you like and dislike!

2. Get a part-time job in the field. Check out CareerLink by scanning the QR Code for the latest job openings!



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## Overview of the Psychology program:

Psychology majors are well-prepared to work in mental health, research, and any field that involves human behavior – which includes most careers!

Many psychology majors go on to graduate school to become mental health professionals such as psychologists, addiction counselors, social workers, and correctional counselors.

Currently MSUB offers a BS and an MS in Psychology. We also offer a 3+2 Bachelor-Master track that saves you time and money when seeking a graduate degree.

Psychology majors take courses in Child Psychology, Clinical Psychology, Psychological Testing, Neuroscience, Forensic Psychology, among many others. They complete an internship and a senior thesis research project.

## What makes your program unique?

Psychology has a highly employable professional track, that leads to careers such as therapist, counselor, and psychologist; and it is an ideal general-purpose degree, with applications to everything from law to data analysis to human resources.

## What students like most about the Psychology program:

Students love learning about the brain, child development, psychological disorders, and how to “analyze” their friends and family!



Department Webpage:

<https://www.msubillings.edu/class/psych/index.htm>

