Ph.D. Programs in Psychology

The Department of Psychology at the University at Buffalo, SUNY reflects a commitment to cutting-edge research and outstanding training of doctoral students in psychological science. Our productive faculty supervise students in four primary areas of psychology: behavioral neuroscience, clinical psychology, cognitive psychology, and social-personality psychology. Active engagement in psychological research is at the core of our Ph.D. programs. We offer a vibrant and collegial atmosphere in which to investigate questions about the mind and behavior.

Behavioral Neuroscience Ph.D. Program
The Behavioral Neuroscience doctoral program provides students with broad and deep, research-based knowledge of the biological factors that control behavior. Students interact with the larger UB neuroscience community, which provides unique training tailored to each student’s research interests and professional goals.

Clinical Psychology Ph.D. Program
The Clinical Psychology doctoral program follows a clinical-science training model, which is focused on using scientific methods and evidence to inform the assessment, understanding, treatment, and prevention of human problems in behavior, affect, cognition, or health. The program is best suited for students who desire academic or research-oriented careers in clinical psychology.

Cognitive Psychology Ph.D. Program
The Cognitive Psychology doctoral program offers a research-intensive training environment for students interested in understanding how the mind works. Students tailor their education to fit their own interests and professional goals through the selection of research projects and elective courses.

Social-Personality Psychology Ph.D. Program
The Social-Personality doctoral program provides a research-intensive training environment for students interested in understanding the dynamic interplay between the self and the interpersonal world. The opportunity to train with more than one faculty member enables students to gain experience with a variety of methods to study how individuals navigate the social world.

Application Process
Students are admitted to work under a faculty advisor. The list of faculty who are accepting students varies from year to year; prospective students are encouraged to check the Ph.D. program website (see below) and contact potential advisors before applying. Application deadlines are in early December.

Questions?
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