



DEPARTMENT OF

PSYCHOLOGY

We are pleased that you have chosen and that the Lord has guided you here to BYU-Idaho. We welcome you and we are committed to providing you the best education you will find anywhere in the world. That education begins with our commitment to the mission of BYU-Idaho, “to develop disciples of Jesus Christ who are leaders in their homes, the Church, and their communities.” We invite you to join us in our commitment to this mission. We believe that students who come to BYU-Idaho aligned with this mission will be happier and more successful.

Because of our commitment to the BYU-Idaho mission, in each class you take you will be exposed to spiritual learning opportunities. You will be invited to change, grow, and become disciples. This is because we not only want you to be successful in your major and career but, as William E. Berrett said, “. . . We want to hold [you] in the Church, make [you an] active, intelligent, sincere, Latter-day Saint(s). We want to keep [you] from growing cold in the faith and indifferent to [your] obligations as Church members.” In short, there is no academic or professional achievement greater than that of becoming the Lord’s disciple.

It is our purpose to build strong testimonies of Jesus Christ and His Gospel, instill a desire for life-long learning and provide a quality education in the field of Psychology. We are committed to giving you a solid foundation in research, theory, and application in order to adequately prepare you for life and to compete for career opportunities.

3 Emphasis Areas or Tracks

Although your degree will be listed as Psychology, the department has three emphasis areas or tracks:

General Psychology: This is the “traditional” or default track where most of our majors reside. If you are not interested in our other two tracks, then this is the track you should select.

Health Psychology: This track is for those wanting to learn about health from an interdisciplinary perspective involving psychological, biological, behavioral and social principles.

Industrial/Organizational Psychology: This track is for those interested in the application of psychological principles to the workplace. This track is also interdisciplinary merging Psychology, Business, Communications, Health Science and other fields.



Students majoring in Psychology should give serious consideration to complete the following classes as soon as possible as they will provide the foundation for your major:

- Psych 111 General Psychology [pre-requisite for almost all other psychology courses]
- Psych 112 Career Development in Psychology
- Math 221C Social Statistics
- Psych 302 Research Methods [Math 221C is a pre-requisite]

Have Questions?

Questions concerning your graduation plan should be directed to your Academic Advisor in the Manwaring Center 101 ; (208) 496-9850;

CEHDadvising@byui.edu

Questions concerning specific career goals are best answered by your assigned Mentor/Advisor in the department.

For a more in-depth information about our program, separate tracks, faculty, internships, planning your courses, preparing for graduate school, etc. please refer to our Student Handbook for Psychology Majors found online at:

<http://www.byui.edu/psychology/resources>

BYU-Idaho Campus Map

Psychology classes are primarily held in the Ricks building.

