

Bachelor of Arts

Psychology

with an optional Mental Health and Addiction Studies Track



Make a difference in the lives of others. Develop your understanding of people and human behavior.

A bachelor's degree in Psychology prepares you for a wide range of careers in human services, sales and advertising, addiction recovery services, police work, and so many more.

As a Psychology student at Rivier, you'll develop strong communication and analytical skills to become an innovative thinker and creative problem solver. Specialized study topics in the psychology program include drugs and behavior, counseling theories and practice, human sexuality, social psychology, and more, all leading you to a better understanding of human motivations and behaviors.

Optional Mental Health and Addiction Studies Track

The rising number of drug-related deaths in the United States makes clear the need for more behavioral healthcare workers in the field of Addiction Studies. If you choose to participate in this track, your coursework will have an added focus on substance use disorders, addiction, alcoholism, and drug dependence. The course of study addresses these challenges and prepares you for a career in counseling, recovery services, advocacy, and public health. This program provides the educational preparation necessary for Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor (LADC) licensure.*

Choose Rivier

Rivier's B.A. in Psychology provides the knowledge and hands-on learning that build on your existing skill sets and confidence. The fully online format provides a flexible learning environment, helping you to balance your studies, work responsibilities, and personal commitments. Six seven-week terms annually and a generous transfer credit policy offer a swift path to completing your degree.

**In addition to the academic component, Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor (LADC) generally requires passing an exam, completing a case study, and documenting 4,000 hours of post-baccalaureate AS counseling. (Note: LADC licensing requirements vary by state.)*



100% Online
course format

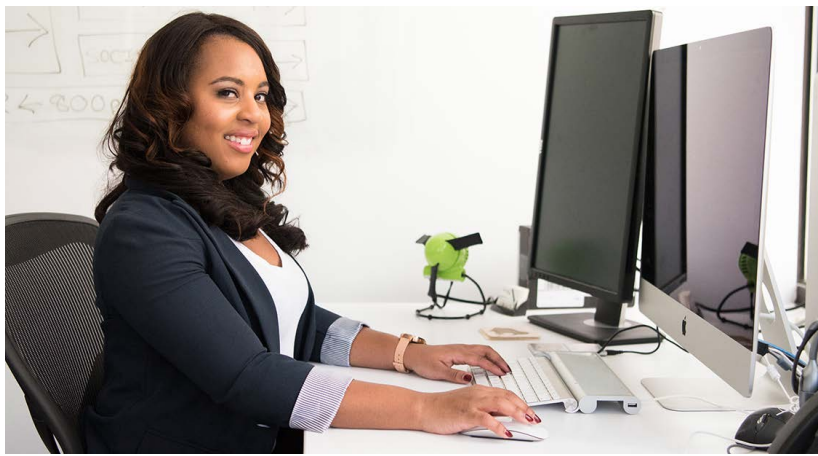


120 Credits
to complete
program



2-4 Years
Estimated
program length





Major Requirements

PSYC 101	General Psychology
PSYC 205	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences
PSYC 205L	Statistics Lab
PSYC 242	Research Methods in Psychology
or	
PSYC 407	Introduction to Neuroscience
PSYC 408	Coordinating Seminar
PSY 200	Two Electives
PSY 300	Three Electives
PSY 300/400	One Elective
PSY 400	Two Electives

OPTIONAL MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION STUDIES TRACK

In place of the electives outlined above:

PSYC 200-level	One Elective
PSYC 250	Psychological Disorders
PSYC 301	Drugs and Behavior
PSYC 309	Health Psychology: An Integrated Approach to Behavioral Healthcare
PSYC 402	Counseling Theory and Practice
PSYC 450	Substance Use Disorder Rehabilitation
PSYC 451	Ethics in Substance Use Disorder Treatment
SOWK 315	Human Behavior in the Social Environment

GENERAL ELECTIVES

Students choose 12 three-credit elective courses (36 credits) to reach the total number of credits required for the degree.

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B.A. Program Start Dates

Six term starts per year allow you to begin your program in September, October, January, March, May, or July. Completed applications are reviewed as they are received throughout the year.

Accreditation

Rivier University is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).



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