

Rivier UNIVERSITY

B.A.

Psychology – with an optional
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 Rivier Psychology student, 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 behaviors, counseling theories and practice, human sexuality, social psychology, and more, all leading you to a better understanding of human motivations and behaviors.

Optional 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 (AS). If you choose to participate in the AS 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. (*See reverse*).

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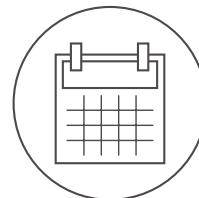
Rivier's B.A. in Psychology provides the knowledge and hands-on learning that build on your existing skill sets and confidence. The fully online format provides a flexible learning environment, helping you to balance your studies, work responsibilities, and personal commitments. Six 7-week terms annually and a generous transfer credit policy offer a swift path to completing your degree.



**Course
Format**
100% Online



**Total
Program
Credits**
120



**Estimated
Program
Length**
2 - 4 years

*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.)



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.

Course of Study

In addition to general education courses, the course of study includes:

Required Courses

- PSY 101 - General Psychology
 - PSY 200 - Two electives
 - PSY 204 - Biostatistics
 - PSY 205L - Statistics Lab
 - PSY 206 - Research Methods in Psychology
 - PSY 300 - Three electives
 - PSY 300/400 - One elective
 - PSY 400 - Two electives
 - PSY 404 - Sensation and Perception
- or*
- PSY 407 - Introduction to Neuroscience
 - PSY 408 - Coordinating Seminar

Optional Addiction Studies Track

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

General Electives

Students choose nine 3-credit elective courses (27 credits) to reach the total number of credits required for the degree.

Accreditation

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

How to Apply

1. **Apply online at rivier.edu/apply.** There is no application fee.
2. **Review and complete the application process at rivier.edu/psadmissions.**
3. **Have questions?** For personal support, contact us at (603) 897-8507 or email admissions@rivier.edu.

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Week terms

Six terms per year

88

Years of educational
excellence

24,000+

Strong alumni network

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