

Psychology

Typical Career Fields:

Human Services (projected growth 22% or higher) 🌟

- Counseling
- Psychotherapy
- Case Mgmt.
- Mental Health Services
- Physical Health & Wellness
- Crisis Work
- Art Therapy
- Music Therapy

Administration (projected growth 8% - 14%)

- Advocacy
- Programming
- Community Relations
- Management
- Development/Fund raising
- Grant Writing

Research (projected growth 22% or higher) 🌟

- Social Research
- Market Research
- Data Analysis

Education (projected growth 15% to 21%) 🌟

- Teaching
- Student Affairs
- Administration
- Training
- Adult Learning

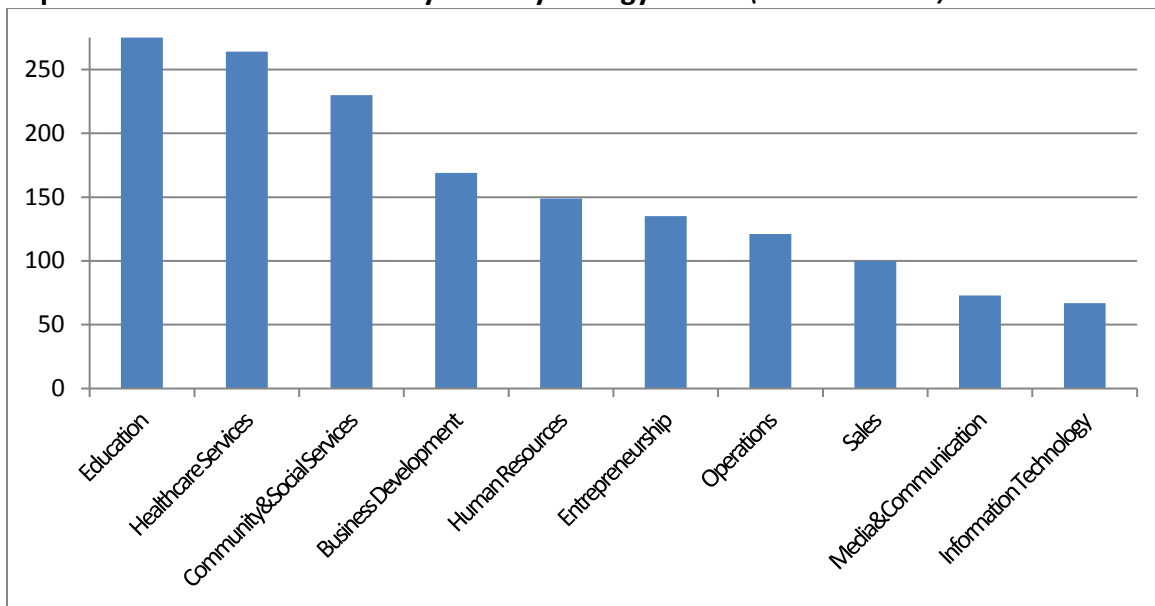
Human Resources (projected growth 8% - 14%)

- Employment & Recruitment
- Compensation & Benefits
- Organizational Dev
- Training

🌟 = Bright Outlook

Source: O*NET

Top Ten Career Fields Chosen by ESU Psychology Grads: (Source: LinkedIn)



Where Our Grads Go (top ten):

- Olathe School District
- Shawnee Mission School District
- Blue Valley Schools
- Butler CC
- Mental Health Center of East Central Kansas
- Washburn Univ.
- Wichita Public Schools
- Baker Univ.
- CrossWinds Counseling & Wellness
- Wichita State

View a list of required courses for this major at <http://www.emporia.edu/sac/list-of-majors.html>.

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Psychology Majors

Strategies on how to become more marketable at graduation

Human Services (Counseling, Crisis Work, Testing Assessment, Case Management)

- Obtain essential practical experience through part-time or summer jobs such as camp counselor, tutor, or resident hall advisor.
- Complete an internship for academic credit.
- Gain experience through volunteering with organizations such as crisis hotlines, Big Brother or Sister, Special Olympics, service groups, etc.
- Many entry-level helping positions require one year of related experience. Volunteer experience and internships can typically fulfill this requirement.
- Learn to work well with different types of people.
- Earn a minor in a specialized field of interest, e.g. child and family studies or sociology.
- Take courses to build valuable counseling-related skills, e.g. techniques of counseling.
- Become fluent in a second language to serve clients who may not speak English.
- Be willing to relocate for increased job opportunities.
- Acquire knowledge of government and community resources available for those in need.

Research (Social, Market, and Testing Research)

- Pursue research experience by working on faculty projects through independent study classes, as a student employee, or through other departmental programs.
- Take additional math and statistics courses to develop strong quantitative and statistical skills.
- Obtain related experience through part-time or summer jobs or internships with a market research firm.
- Get involved in the American Marketing Association.
- Earn a graduate degree in experimental psychology, educational psychology, statistics, or marketing depending upon interest area.

Education (Adult Learning, Community Instruction, GED, Life Skills, Orientation)

- Maintain a high GPA and secure strong personal recommendations.
- Gain experience working with children, adolescents, or college students through tutoring or other volunteer positions.
- Acquire related experience on campus as a resident hall advisor, orientation leader, admissions tour guide, or peer mentor.
- Develop strong communication skills and learn to speak well in front of a group.

Human Resources (Training, Recruitment, Employment, Labor Relations)

- Gain relevant experience in human resources by completing an internship.
- Earn a minor in business or supplement curriculum with business courses.
- Seek leadership positions in student organizations.
- Develop strong computer skills.
- Earn an MBA or a graduate degree in human resources to attain higher level positions.

Business and Industry (Customer Service, Public Relations, Marketing, Insurance)

- Earn a minor in business or supplement curriculum with business or communication courses.
- Obtain relevant experience through internships or part-time jobs.
- Work a part-time or summer job in a retail store. Demonstrate a willingness to take on additional responsibilities such as “assistant manager.”
- Participate in student organizations and seek leadership roles.
- For sales, develop the ability to work well under pressure and be comfortable in a competitive environment.