ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT
Graduates receive a Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Psychology. Berea’s Psychology program prepares students for post-graduate jobs in psychology-related fields and also provides a firm foundation for graduate-level training. Students might pair their Psychology major with a minor in Sociology, Biology, or Foreign Languages among others.

OPPORTUNITIES & INTERNSHIPS
• Psychology students can join the official Berea College chapter of Psi Chi, a national honor society associated with renowned organizations like the American Psychological Association (APS).
• Summer Research gives students the opportunity to learn to use specific psychology-related equipment (like an EEG device). During the program, students learn all aspects of empirical research. Students also interact closely with Berea professors and have completed paid internships.
• The Senior Research course gives Berea psychology majors an edge that’s unique in the world of undergraduate studies. It provides the chance to create a top-to-bottom original research project, present it to their peers, and present at a professional conference. Past conferences include the Kentucky Academy of Science (KAS) and South-Eastern Psychological Association (SEPA).
• Students can become a departmental teaching assistant, where they will sit in on classes, lead class discussions, make quizzes and assignments, and grade them. These are all invaluable experiences for graduate school applications.

CAREERS & OUTCOMES
Berea graduates are distinguished by the practical experience they gain in the work-study program. Berea Psychology graduates find employment in a wide variety of occupations and career fields, including:
• Psychotherapy
• Counseling
• Human Resources
• Corrections Treatment
• Graduate studies
WHY IS A LIBERAL ARTS EDUCATION VALUABLE?

A liberal arts education at Berea College, combined with our work study program, equips students with highly employable skills like communication, problem-solving, and teamwork. Beyond offering a degree program, we help our students develop social responsibility and prepare them to successfully navigate diversity, change, and the complex demands of a modern workplace.

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80 percentage of employers who want colleges to emphasize critical thinking, analytic reasoning, and oral and written communication.

#1 Berea College’s ranking as “Best Liberal Arts College” by Washington Monthly Magazine, 2018.

75 percentage of employers who believe successful college graduates should have both liberal arts training and experience in the field.

90 percentage of Berea students who credit liberal arts and work study for developing their communication, critical thinking, & problem-solving skills.

“People with a liberal arts education are able to think and view the world from several different perspectives . . . This ability to understand and adapt is very valuable in today’s workplace.”

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