

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PSYCHOLOGY

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES



HELP OTHERS WHILE YOU HELP YOURSELF. PURSUE YOUR MASTER'S DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY FROM KAPLAN UNIVERSITY.

Kaplan University's Master of Science in Psychology program is designed to provide a comprehensive education in psychological theory and practice, and to help you develop the critical thinking and problem solving skills needed to pursue your personal and professional goals.¹ You could further enhance your knowledge of psychology by studying advanced topics in one of three areas of specialization: general psychology, addictions, and applied behavioral analysis.

Kaplan University's goal is to create a dynamic environment for online learning. Our technology and course delivery methods allow you to access our user-friendly classes virtually anywhere you have an Internet connection.

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NOW COULD BE THE RIGHT TIME TO JOIN THE PSYCHOLOGY FIELD

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment in the field is expected to grow due to increased demand for psychological services in schools, hospitals, social service agencies, mental health centers, substance abuse treatment clinics, consulting firms, and private companies.²

Careers in psychology, which may include general psychology, addictions, and applied psychology, are expected to grow through 2018² with increases, based on specialty, ranging from 14 to 24 percent.² And, overall employment of counselors is expected to increase by 18 percent through 2018.³

The psychology field is growing. Earn a master's degree to help make the most of these industry trends.



A MASTER'S DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY COULD HELP YOU PURSUE YOUR GOALS

The Master of Science in Psychology program is designed to help prepare you to pursue career opportunities in various fields where you could implement your psychological knowledge, skills, and values.¹ The program provides students a unique opportunity to balance the rich tradition of the past with contemporary applications of psychology.

Career outcomes for graduates of this program could include, but are not limited to, addiction specialist, mental health professional, social services professional, educator, psychological aide, and childcare worker.

Advancement opportunities could be greater for job seekers that hold a master's degree.² Prepare to increase your marketability by pursuing your Master of Science in Psychology today.

POSSIBLE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND DAY-TO-DAY ACTIVITIES COULD INCLUDE:¹

- **General Psychology Research**—Apply psychological principles and research methods in various settings; investigate emotional, physical, cognitive, and social aspects of human behavior.
- **Addictions Counseling**—Help people who have problems with alcohol, drugs, gambling, and eating disorders. Counsel individuals with addictions; help them identify their problems and behaviors associated with their addiction. Work with family members who are affected by addictions of their loved ones.
- **Applied Behavioral Analysis**—Work to reduce problem behavior and improve performance in settings such as group homes, clinics, corporations, and non-profits. Develop intervention and treatment plans. Work as a consultant.

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REAL-WORLD KNOWLEDGE TO PURSUE REAL-WORLD SUCCESS

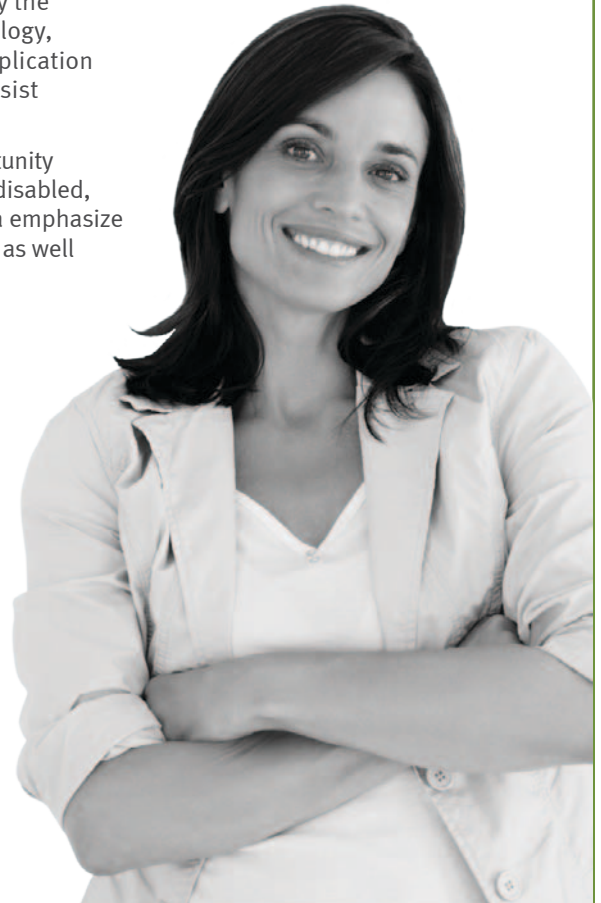
Students enrolled in Kaplan University's **Master of Science in Psychology** program have the opportunity to develop and use psychological skills, think critically, and evaluate behavior and mental processes. The program curriculum emphasizes key skills, including research, lifespan development, and testing and assessment.

The Master of Science in Psychology program offers three areas of specialization, allowing you to focus on an area of interest that best suits your career goals:¹

The **general psychology** specialization is designed to expose students to a generalist approach to the field of psychology. It addresses current broad paradigms such as behavioral approaches, neuropsychological perspectives and technologies, issues in psychopathology, and current and historical information in the area of cognitive psychology. The successful student could develop knowledge in the use of qualitative analysis thereby enhancing the basic tools involved in the scientific approach to understanding psychology.

The **addictions** specialization provides students the opportunity to study the principles of addictions counseling, group counseling, psychopharmacology, and co-occurring disorders. Theories are taught with an emphasis on application designed to help students understand how to use their knowledge to assist clients on their path to recovery.

The **applied behavioral analysis** specialization provides students an opportunity to develop knowledge about special populations like the developmentally disabled, the autistic, and individuals with traumatic brain injury. Courses in this area emphasize an understanding and application of the behavioral concepts and theories, as well as the development of both assessment and intervention skills.



Program Detail

Master of Science in Psychology

- Credit Hours: 60 for nonthesis track; 65 for thesis track

HERE IS WHAT ONE STUDENT HAD TO SAY

Michelle Parmeter⁴

- Kaplan University Graduate, January 2009

“ I honestly, wholeheartedly can say I feel very confident in the quality of the education I received from Kaplan University. I recommended my husband to go...He now attends Kaplan University because he [saw] the changes that happened in me, the confidence that I take with me now. ”

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WHY KAPLAN UNIVERSITY?

Our programs are designed to offer you the freedom to grow and pursue your goals. We offer:

- Online classes that allow you to study virtually anytime, anywhere you have an Internet connection.
- Personal Advisors to help you select the courses to meet your goals.
- Reduced tuition rates for active-duty service members and veterans.
- Scholarships for eligible Kaplan University students.

Other Programs

In addition to this program, Kaplan University also offers:

- › Bachelor of Science in Psychology
- › Bachelor of Science in Human Services
- › Master of Public Health
- › Master of Health Care Administration

Note From Dean

"The College of Arts and Sciences degree programs are created to meet the unique needs of all students. Whether students are interested in the flexibility of creating their own degree plan, applying previously earned college credit to earn their degree faster, or starting a degree from the beginning, the College of Arts and Sciences focuses on the needs of adult students in meeting their educational, career, and personal goals."

Sara Sander

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Dean, College of Arts and Sciences



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION—PLEASE READ

¹ Kaplan University's programs are designed to prepare graduates to pursue employment in fields related to their subjects of study, such as the positions provided as examples. However, Kaplan University does not guarantee that graduates will be placed in any job, equipped to perform all the tasks noted, or eligible for job advancement opportunities. Additional training or certification may be required. In addition, job titles and responsibilities may vary from organization to organization.

The professional practice of psychology is regulated by each state, and the degree requirements in this Master of Science in Psychology program do not prepare graduates for state licensure. Additionally, master's degree requirements in this program do not guarantee graduates licensure as a professional counselor or psychologist.

² Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2010-11 Edition, Psychologists, on the Internet at www.bls.gov/oco/ocos056.htm. These employment projections are provided for informational purposes only. Long-term projections are not intended to predict short-term changes in employment demand due to the current economy.

³ Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2010-11 Edition, Counselors, on the Internet at www.bls.gov/oco/ocos067.htm.

⁴ Views and opinions stated herein are the individual's and not necessarily those of Kaplan University. Individual student schedules and experiences may vary. This testimonial was solicited by Kaplan University.

⁵ Classes will count toward a student's degree if satisfactorily completed. No credits are earned if the student withdraws during the introductory period. The introductory period is five weeks, and begins on day one of the student's first academic term. If at any point during the introductory period a student chooses to opt out, he or she will have no other obligation to the University except for the application fee. Only available to new students; continuing students are not eligible.