Program Description
The psychology program provides students with a working knowledge of the methods and findings of modern psychology. Students may pursue the Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Psychology or the BA in Psychology with a concentration in counseling psychology. All majors are required to complete some laboratory coursework in which they conduct psychological science research. Internships are required for counseling students and are available at nearby human service agencies and treatment centers. Students majoring in psychology are prepared to work in a wide variety of settings, including human services (counseling and social work), public affairs, business, sales, criminal justice and (following graduate study) psychotherapy, teaching and research. The psychology program provides a strong foundation for graduate study in psychology and related disciplines.

The psychology program sponsors the Psychology Club and a local chapter of the national honor society in psychology, Psi Chi. Through active membership in these organizations, students are encouraged to become involved in community service and to attend and present their research at regional and national conferences.

A minor in psychology requires the student to acquire working knowledge of the methods and findings of modern psychology. To earn the minor, a student must take the research methods course, along with several topical courses in psychology. A student with this minor will have a deeper understanding of the processes that shape behavior, which can then be applied to a wide variety of areas.

A minor in forensic investigation – psychology provides students a base in forensic psychology. Students may be better prepared to enter graduate programs in forensic psychology. Students will be better prepared to use psychological concepts in criminal justice investigation jobs.

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Bachelors/Minors
- Counseling Psychology, Psychology (BA) (http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/areas-study/psychology/counseling-psychology-ba)
- Forensic Investigation - Psychology (Minor) (http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/areas-study/psychology/forensic-investigation-psychology-minor)
- Psychology (BA) (http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/areas-study/psychology/psychology-ba)
- Psychology (Minor) (http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/areas-study/psychology/psychology-minor)