

Using the Psychology Major to prepare for careers in juvenile detention, probation/parole, and other criminal reform services

### **WHY PSYCH?**

## What is the benefit of the Psychology Major?

The psychology major at Tennessee State University provides students with a solid foundation in a range of skills important for professional success in a variety of settings.

These include: research and data analysis, critical thinking, oral communication, writing, and an introduction to the basic principles that underlie human behavior.

The psychology major also provides students with the opportunity to apply for graduate school in psychology, while still preparing them for a variety of rewarding careers with their bachelor's degree.



#### **PSYCHOLOGY ELECTIVES**

**PSYC 3510 Principles of Learning** 

**PSYC 3410 Social Psychology** 

**PSYC 3210 Abnormal Psychology** 

PSYC 3510 Developmental Psychology

**PSYC 3310 Principles of Human Sexuality** 

PSYC 4370 Fundamentals of Counseling

**PSYC 4400 Drugs & Behavior** 

**PSYC 4240 Behavior Modification** 

**PSYC 4360 Field Placement** 

**Internship in Psychology** 

#### **CAREER PREP COURSES**

**CRMJ Deviance and Control** 

No prerequisite listed.

CRMJ 3130 Counseling

No prerequisite listed.

**CRMJ Juvenile Delinquency** 

No prerequisites listed.

**SOCI 4100 Juvenile Delinquency** 

No prerequisite listed

CRMJ 3220 Penal Institutions and Treatment Methods

#### No prerequisite listed. (Cont.)

#### POTENTIAL INTERNSHIPS/EMPLOYERS

H.U.G.G.S. (huggstn.org)

331 Gallatin Pike S. Ste 14,

Madison, TN 37115

CoreCivic (www.coresivic.com)

10 Burton Hills Blvd.

Nashville, TN 37215

U.S. Probation & Parole Office

110 9th Ave. S. #A725

Nashville, TN 37203

The Oasis Center (oasiscenter.org)

1704 Charlotte Ave., Ste 200

Nashville, TN 37204

# CAREER PREP COURSES CONT.

CRMJ 3230 Community-Based Treatment Methods

No prerequisite listed

**SOCI 4000 Criminology** 

At least Junior standing.

**SOCI 4600 Urban Sociology** 

**HPSS 4090 Drug Education**No prerequisites listed

HPSS 3050 Family Health and Sexuality No listed prerequisites.

ECFS 4000 Behavior Management and Guidance Prerequisite: ECFS 2010

**ECFS 2010 Principles and Concepts of Child Development**No prerequisites listed.

ECFS Middle Childhood and Adolescents

Prerequisite: ECFS 2010

ECFS 3320 Expressive Arts for Young Children

Prerequisite: FCFS 2010



### **BS-LEVEL CAREERS TO CONSIDER**









- Psychology majors are well-positioned for careers as parole officers or probation officers.
- Correctional treatment specialists design and develop rehabilitation plans which are then used by other law enforcement officers to help reintegrate former convicts back into society.
- Careers helping juvenile offenders include: juvenile court counselors, youth correctional counselors and juvenile counselors.
- Some non-profits specialize in working with ex-offenders and assisting them with their re-entry back into society. Psychology majors with an interest in running or even starting their own non-profit should consider TSU's Minor in Non-profit Management.

#### MINORS TO CONSIDER

 Non-profit Management & Leadership Minor For information, contact Dr. Cara Robinson (crobin22@tnstate.edu) of TSU's Department of Social Work and Urban Professions.

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