

Internships

Students pursuing a psychology major may complete an internship. Many nonprofit and corporate organizations have participated in this program including:

- Baylor College of Medicine
- The Children's Assessment Center
- DePelchin Children's Center
- Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center
- Escape Family Resource Center
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- Catholic Charities
- Justice for Children
- Texas Medical Center
- Verbal Behavior Clinic

Student Involvement

Psi Chi Honor Society and the Psychology Club

Memberships in Psi Chi and the Psychology Club are ideal ways to complement psychology coursework. The organizations offer workshops on application to graduate school, lectures by prominent psychologists and presentations by UST alumni, some presently in graduate programs. The Psychology Club is open to all students; Psi Chi is the national honor society in psychology and members must meet specific criteria to join.

Research

- Psychology students present research findings to the University community at the annual Research Symposium.
- Students present research projects at regional and national meetings of professional psychological organizations, and some have won awards for their prize-winning presentations.

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Questions? Contact Us!

To learn more about the Psychology Department, contact us today:

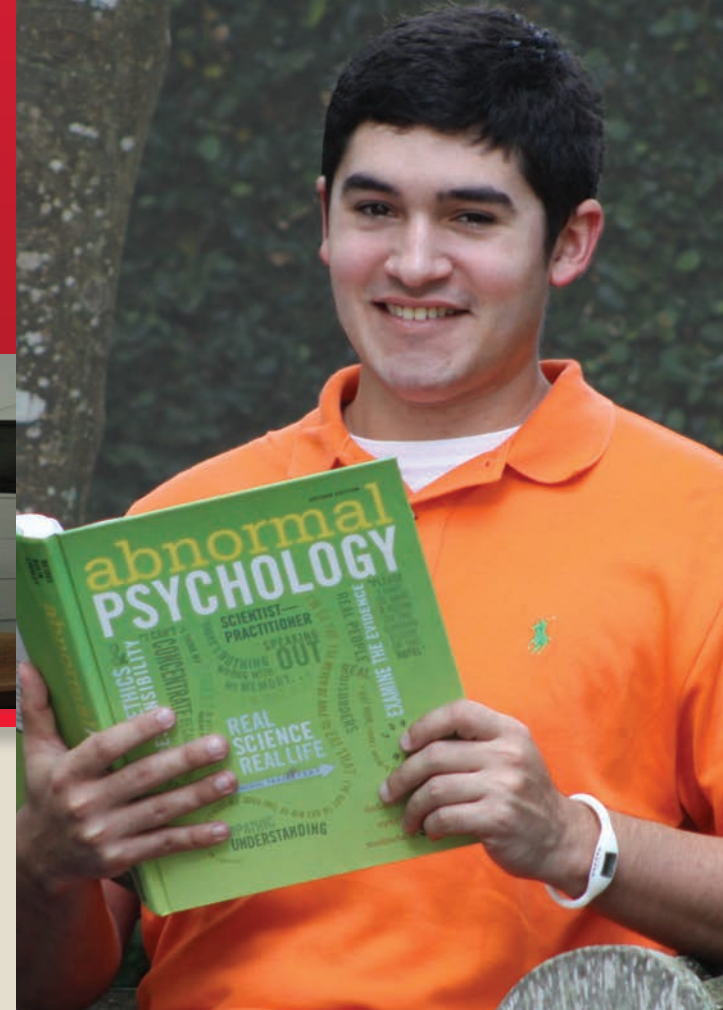
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"I was able to integrate my Catholic faith with my studies and research in psychology. The small classes allowed me to assist my professors in their research and also to conduct my own independent research. The UST Psychology Program prepared me to pursue a doctorate in clinical psychology in graduate school."

Jessica Spofford, Class of 2009



Psychology

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UST by the NUMBERS

Enrollment
3,589
 undergraduate **1,609**
 graduate **1,980** students
 from **40** states
 and **54** countries
 average **class size 16**
10:1 student-faculty ratio
Faculty
94% full-time faculty hold the highest degree in their field

Degree Plan

The Psychology Department offers a major and a minor as well as a joint major option:

- Major – A major in psychology is a Bachelor of Arts degree with 35 credit hours of coursework. This degree program focuses on research methods, in-depth research experiences and an optional internship.
- Minor – A minor in psychology requires 18 credit hours. Guided by a faculty advisor, students select 15 hours based on their interests, in addition to the introductory course.
- Joint Major – A joint major allows students to integrate psychology with perspectives from related fields. This 29-credit-hour program is available in conjunction with Spanish, communication, political science, Catholic studies, pre-health and most other fields.

Psychology

The undergraduate psychology program at the University of St. Thomas is an integration of research methodology, social justice, a liberal arts curriculum and the study of human nature and mental processes. Psychology students will graduate with the skills and strong scientific foundation essential for graduate studies and successful careers in psychology.

The Bachelor of Arts in psychology is a behavioral science program. Small lecture classes and labs

provide students with an individualized learning environment. Students will:

- Graduate equipped with superior research skills
- Understand the study of human nature and mental processes
- Develop ethical and social justice awareness
- Learn to become insightful and critical thinkers



Curriculum Aspects

Social Justice • A unique aspect of the psychology program is the focus on social justice. The curriculum emphasizes the inherent dignity of every person by integrating social justice into every psychology class.

Service Learning • Similar to internships but as one part of a class, service learning provides students with opportunities to apply classroom and research experiences in real-world situations.

Science Foundation • Because psychology relies on the scientific method, the psychology program trains students thoroughly in statistics and research methods. Two National Science Foundation-funded labs provide technology to enrich scientific training.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

The University of St. Thomas remains committed to the Catholic intellectual tradition and to the highest ideals of academic excellence.

St. Thomas consistently ranks high among choices of the best education in the nation:

- The Cardinal Newman Society: Named among the top 22 Catholic colleges and universities
- *U.S. News & World Report*: “America’s Best Colleges” in the Western region
- The Princeton Review Guide: “Best Western Colleges.”

PERSONAL ATTENTION

Small classes allow personal attention that helps you complete your degree on time. Professors know you by name, and dedicated staff members offer the support and services you need to guide you to your undergraduate degree. We want you to learn and succeed.

