Psychology
At UW-Eau Claire
Are you attracted to careers devoted to helping others live more satisfying lives? Then the Psychology major is an excellent choice. You’ll gain skills, knowledge and understanding of the human experience to assist individuals and groups through difficult life situations. These situations include drug abuse, domestic violence, behavioral and emotional programs, as well as cognitive and physical disabilities.

Why UW-Eau Claire?
Through small classroom discussions, hands-on learning, research projects and with a breadth of faculty, UW-Eau Claire will provide you with the knowledge and skills needed to seek an advanced degree or a psychology-related career.

Excellent facilities
UW-Eau Claire has excellent facilities, including state-of-the-art human and animal laboratories, rooms equipped for group or individual experiments, and behavior observation rooms with video tape equipment.

Helping others
Many students select volunteer, for-credit or paid work experiences that allow them to help others, gain skills and explore interests related to psychology. Examples of such experiences include service-learning projects that enable you to work with specific populations, such as survivors of domestic abuse, school-age children or older adults; involvement in campus programs, such as Counseling Services’ peer counselors or the Center for Awareness of Sexual Assault (CASA); employment through an area hospital, the Eau Claire Academy or the Eau Claire Academy or other businesses/organizations. Many students select volunteer, for-credit or paid work experiences that allow them to help others, gain skills and explore interests related to psychology. Examples of such experiences include service-learning projects that enable you to work with specific populations, such as survivors of domestic abuse, school-age children or older adults; involvement in campus programs, such as Counseling Services’ peer counselors or the Center for Awareness of Sexual Assault (CASA); employment through an area hospital, the Eau Claire Academy or other businesses/organizations. Many

Our graduates
Many UW-Eau Claire Psychology majors continue academic study and obtain graduate degrees so that they can work as academic or practicing psychologists. Psychology students also are well prepared to pursue a variety of careers in diverse fields immediately following graduation because they’ve developed the skills employers identify as highly desirable.

Hands-on experience
Students also gain hands-on experience at our on-campus counseling center and off-campus locations such as a center for the developmentally disabled, a treatment center for children with emotional disabilities, halfway houses and a crisis intervention service.

Campus Autism program
The Campus Autism program at UW-Eau Claire brings together psychology students and families with children with autism to offer intensive behavioral intervention. Professional therapists emphasize teaching communication skills and intervention techniques and educating caregivers about how to help their child make progress. Student therapists provide personalized treatment services in a fun teaching environment. Approximately 20 UW-Eau Claire psychology majors work with children through the program.

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— Abby

Places our grads go:
- Program Coordinator, Alternative for People with Autism, St. Paul, MN
- Child Life Specialist, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

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note:
Undergraduate Emphasis in Behavior Analysis Leading to National Certification
The department of Psychology has an emphasis in behavior analysis designed to prepare students for certification as associate behavior analysts. Certification as an associate behavior analyst requires the successful completion of a national course work, supervised experience and the certification examination described below. All credits earned in certification emphasis may be applied toward the graduation requirement for a Psychology major.

Course Requirements:
- Psych 281, Intro to Behavior Analysis and Therapy
- Psych 312, Experimental Analysis of Behavior
- Psych 390, Advanced Applied Behavior Analysis

Supervised Experience:
- Psych 480/481, Internship in Applied Behavior Analysis (six months of supervised experience)

Certification Examination:
Certification is awarded after successful completion of the National Certification Examination.