



Psychology-School Psychology, M.A.

School psychologists play a vital role in the educational and personal development of students. They often help youth succeed in school, not only through direct support but also by designing interventions that meet the needs of students from diverse socioeconomic, cultural, and linguistic backgrounds. The School Psychology program at Cal Poly Humboldt is a comprehensive three-year program of coursework, field experience, and research training. The program helps develop professionals who can apply psychological principles and empirical knowledge.

Experience Your Learning

Hands-on learning experiences are a hallmark of education at Cal Poly Humboldt.

Through coursework and field placements, you will apply what you learn in the classroom through supervised experience working directly in local schools.

In the third year of the program, students complete a supervised internship that will help them enter the next stage of their careers with confidence.

Each year, School Psychology students present their work at professional conferences, such as the National Association for School Psychologists (NASP) Annual Convention.



Did you know?

- Earn a state credential that allows you to work with students in California public and private schools as well as private or community-based agencies.
- Learn from expert faculty who have many years of experience working in schools.
- Students utilize the Psychological Test Library for training materials in standardized psychoeducational assessment to practice assessment techniques for learning disabilities and mental health diagnoses. There are opportunities to work at local K-12 schools and Cal Poly Humboldt's Student Disability Resource Center.



Academics & Options

Psychology, M.A.

Psychology–School Psychology, M.A.

In addition to coursework and supervised fieldwork in the first two years, students complete a supervised internship in their third year of the program. Students are required to successfully defend their professional portfolio on two occasions as part of graduation requirements.

- **Practicum:** Under the supervision of field-based and University supervisors, students complete 540 hours of practicum experience in local schools to develop skills in professional school psychology practice.
- **Internship:** The final step in the master's program, this includes conducting psychoeducational evaluations, participating on student study teams and multiagency coordination teams, developing interventions for youth and families, parent education/counseling, crisis prevention and intervention, and more.



Careers

A broad field comprising more than 50 different specialties, Psychology can also be applied to nearly any career. When you graduate from our program, you will be prepared for the workforce with the knowledge and highly marketable skills that are essential in today's world.

- College Instructor
- School Administrator
- Conflict Resolution Mediator
- Program Evaluator
- University Faculty

