WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY
PSYCHOLOGY
DEGREE?

PROFESSIONAL MENTAL HEALTH
Community Mental Health Centers, Government Agencies, Rehabilitation Centers,
Religious-Affiliated Organizations, Residential Programs, Retirement Communities/Nursing
Homes, Non-Profits, Shelters
- Hospice Coordinator
- Recreation Specialist
- Activities Leader/Coord./Therapist
- Psychological/Psychological Tech.
- Intake Counselor/Specialist
- Social Skills Trainer
- Program Assistant
- Addictions Counselor
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Family Services Specialist
- Crisis Counselor
- Community Outreach Worker
- Residential Counselor
- Case Manager
- Social Service Administrator
- Caseworker
- Mental Health Counselor
- Therapy Aide
- Eligibility Specialist
- Rehabilitation Therapist

PERSONNEL/INDUSTRIAL PSYCHOLOGY
Businesses, Non-Profits, Employment Agencies, Government Agencies
- Personnel/Human Resources Asst.
- EEO/Affirmative Action Specialist
- Job Developer
- Employee Relations Specialist
- Placement Counselor
- Benefits/EAP Coordinator
- Payroll Officer
- Interviewer
- Job Classification Specialist
- Job Coach
- Employment Specialist
- Trainer/Training Specialist
- Recruiter
- Staffing Specialist
- Labor Relations Specialist
- Employment Consultant
- Compensation Specialist

DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY
Day Care Centers, Gov’t Programs, Issue-Oriented Non-Profits, Hospitals
- Teacher
- Parent Educator
- Child Support Case Officer
- Day Care Supervisor
- Child Care Worker
- Head Start Coordinator
- Developmental Specialist
- Research Assistant
- Research Analyst
- Adoption Case Worker
- Youth Counselor
- Child Life Specialist

BIOPSYCHOLOGY / RESEARCH
Government, Universities, Research Laboratories
- Lab Assistant
- Research Technician
- Research Assistant
- Statistical Analyst

PUBLIC POLICY
Congress / State Legislature / Local Government
- Congressional/Legislative Aide
- Legislative Research Assistant
Policy Organizations( Issue-Oriented / Non-Profit / National Associations)
- Public Opinion Interviewer
- Membership Coordinator
- Meetings Coordinator
- Research Assistant
- Community/Field Organizer
- Program Developer/ Coord.
- Community Relations Officer
- Project Manager
- Political Organizer
- Office Manager
Research Organizations( Issue-Oriented / Non-Profit / National Associations)
- Project Assistant
- Research Associate

GOVERNMENT
Local, State and Federal Agencies
- Public Affairs Specialist
- Contract Administrator
- Quality Assurance Specialist
- Peace Corps Worker
- Customs/Immigration Officer
- Foreign Service
- Researcher/Statistician

EDUCATION
High Schools, Colleges, Universities
- Teacher
- Literacy Program Coordinator
- Admissions Counselor
- Financial Aid Counselor
INTELLIGENCE / CORRECTIONS / LAW
Prisons, Courts, Government Agencies, Private Practices
- Court Appointed Special Advocate
- Program Evaluator
- Intelligence Support Analyst
- Special Agent
- Investigative Assistant
- Youth Corrections Officer
- Civil Rights Investigator
- Probation/Parole Officer
- Correctional Caseworker
- Paralegal
- Legal Secretary
- Police Officer

HEALTH
Hospitals, Insurers, Non-Profits, Government
- Public Health Statistician
- Medical Admissions Staff
- Patient Advocate
- Community Health Educator
- Admissions Clerk
- Provider Relations Specialist

BUSINESS
Advertising / Marketing / Public Relations
- Marketing Research Analyst
- Public Relations Specialist
- Consumer Survey Supervisor
- Advertising Salesperson
- Marketing Coordinator
- Copywriter
- Fund-Raiser/Development Associate
- Media Buyer
- Special Events Planner

Insurance
- Claims Representative/Examiner
- Insurance Agent
- Underwriter

Banking / Finance
- Branch Manager
- Loan Representative
- Stock Broker
- Property Manager
- Credit Counselor

Retail / Sales
- Assistant Buyer
- Store/Department Manager
- Sales Representative

Publishing / Journalism
- Book/Subcription Salesperson
- Editorial Assistant
- Promotions Assistant
- Reporter
- Technical Writer
- Circulation Personnel

KEEP IN MIND...
This list is just a brief introduction to your career options - it is not a complete list! Also keep in mind that although these career fields are open to you as a psychology major, you must take extra steps to prepare yourself for a competitive job market. It is important to:

1. **obtain relevant internship, co-op, or volunteer experience** (see CSC about their part-time, major-related job announcements and the Shriver Center about co-op, internship, and service opportunities and)
2. **supplement your psychology course work** with classes that would be relevant and beneficial to your chosen career field.

Make an appointment with a career advisor for suggestions on researching your career options, choosing a career field, and preparing for your chosen occupation. Be sure to check the Psychology Department's website (http://www.umbc.edu/psyc/) for a faculty member who matches your research interest.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES
Internet sites: that allow you to explore career options for Psychology degree:
- Career Services Center - Links by Major: http://www.careers.umbc.edu/students/websites_major.php

CSC Career Resource Center (MP 212):
- 100 Jobs in Social Change
- Great Jobs for Psychology Majors

National Association: The American Psychological Association (http://www.apa.org) has several publications (some are free to student members) detailing career options and resources for psychology majors.