

About Our Graduate Program

We encourage you to explore our program with its eight major areas of focus within psychology.

Animal Behavior | Behavioral Neuroscience

General Clinical* | Child Clinical*

Cognition & Perception | Developmental

Social Psychology & Personality | Quantitative

Students in any of these areas may supplement their training with coursework in such specialties as Diversity Science and/or Quantitative Methods.

The goal of our program is to train the researchers and academicians of tomorrow.

This program is not designed for students seeking a terminal Master's degree in Psychology.

Please visit our Department webpage, especially the FAQ for more information and answers to your questions: <https://psych.uw.edu/>

**Students trained in either General or Child Clinical Psychology will gain the skills to do research and teach in these areas, but will require additional training in clinical work.*

Plan ahead!



We accept applications once a year.

Materials for Admissions 2020 must be submitted by **Monday, December 2, 2019** to be considered for possible entry the following autumn quarter.

2020 Recruitment Days, our interview/recruitment event, is scheduled for **March 5-6, 2020**. Please save this date and we encourage you to attend *if you have been invited* by our Graduate Program.

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at the
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Admissions Statistics 2017-2019

	Applications			Offers (Entering)		
	'17	'18	'19	'17	'18	'19
Animal Behavior	17	1+	8	1(1)	0+	2(1)
Behavioral Neuroscience	21	12+	21	1(1)	0+	1(1)
Adult Clinical	256	311	214	4(3)	5(4)	4(4)
Child Clinical	245	223	230	5(5)	5(2)	4(4)
Cognition & Perception	76	82	55	5(3)	6(4)	4(2)
Developmental	61	38	48	4(1)	2(1)	2(1)
Social	162	157	157	6(3)	5(4)	6(4)
Quant	10	16	16	2(0)	1(0)	0
Total	848	840	749	28(17)	24(15)	23(17)

+ did not participate in admissions for that year

Note: All applications are reviewed by the faculty in their respective areas before decisions to admit or not admit were made. If an area has no admissions for the current year it usually means that an offer was made but declined; or that the applications available were perceived to be insufficiently competitive or insufficiently compatible with our program. When an individual area has only one or two positions available it reserves the right to hold those positions for a particularly outstanding applicant in the future.

Median GRE Verbal Score / Percentile*			
	'17	'18	'19
Clinical	164 / 93%	164 / 94%	162 / 91%
Non-Clinical	159 / 81%	159 / 83%	166 / 97%

Median GRE Quantitative Score / Percentile*			
	'17	'18	'19
Clinical	157 / 67%	160 / 77%	160 / 74%
Non-Clinical	158 / 71%	159 / 73%	160 / 73%

Median GPA*			
	'17	'18	'19
Clinical	3.86	3.78	3.86
Non-Clinical	3.59	3.69	3.92

*GRE and GPAs are median figures for applicants who received offers. The GRE Analytical and Subject exam are not a required component of our application but may be for other programs in which you are applying.

Diversity Admissions	2017	2018	2019
Percent of URM applicants out of total applications received	29	29	28
Percent of offers to URM applicants out of total offers made	32	46	26
Percent of entering URM students out of total entering class	35	47	24

Information for Prospective Underrepresented Minoritized (URM) Community Members

The Department of Psychology at the University of Washington is committed to increasing the representation of well-trained URM researchers, academicians and practitioners in the field.

Diversity Steering Committee (DSC)

A committee composed of graduate students and faculty of all racial and ethnic backgrounds from the Department of Psychology who wish to provide a supportive network for URM students and their allies. psychdsc@uw.edu for more information.

Minority Student Representation

We currently have **34** graduate students from diverse ethnic backgrounds representing **36%** of the graduate student population in the Department. URM students are found in almost all major areas of the department, although they are most numerous in clinical, child clinical, social, and cognitive psychology.

Minority Faculty Representation

Ana Mari Cauce, Ph.D.
Jaime Diaz, Ph.D.
Jeansok Kim, Ph.D.
Yuichi Shoda, Ph.D.



Sapna Cheryan, Ph.D.
William H. George, Ph.D.
Sheri Mizumori, Ph.D.
Joseph Sisneros, Ph.D.

Diversity Admissions (table to immediate left)

The Department relies upon traditional criteria (e.g., GPA, GREs, letters, statement of purpose, etc.) in its evaluation of applicants. However, special consideration is made of students' backgrounds and potentials. As a result, the students admitted to the Department have exhibited a wide range of performance on traditional criteria. We do consider special talents, aptitudes, and abilities, and make an effort to increase the proportion of diverse students.