Psychology is the scientific study of brain and behaviour. Psychologists analyze the psychological, behavioural, and social bases of how humans think, feel, and behave.

**Key Skills & Knowledge**

**Teamwork and leadership ability:** Familiar with group dynamics; conflict resolution, mediation and concern for others.

**Critical/Analytical thinking:** Abstract reasoning skills; integrate knowledge from a variety of disciplines and perspectives; interpretation and explanation of scientific research.

**Knowledge of human behaviour:** Knowledge about the physiological, emotional, cognitive and social determinants of human behavior; fascination with unexplainable behavior.

**Thorough and precise:** Read materials accurately and analytically, organized and able to meet deadlines.

**Problem solving skills:** Understanding components of complex problems; approaching topics and problems from various perspectives; analyzing multiple dimensions of a problem; identifying problems and developing solutions.

**Quantitative and Qualitative research methods of data collection:** Statistical analysis and evaluation; listening and interviewing skills.

**Communication:** Writing skills, presenting material in an easy to ready manner, familiar with writing reports; public speaking and effective communication skills.

Some of these roles may require further training, certification or education. Check out the Alberta Government’s occupational profiles for salary info and more detail: alis.alberta.ca/occinfo

**Sample Job Titles**

- Aboriginal Liaison
- Addictions Counsellor
- Behaviour Analyst/Therapist
- Case Manager/Worker
- Child & Youth Worker
- Citizenship & Immigration Officer
- Clinical Study Coordinator
- Community Worker
- Correctional Services Worker
- Creative Arts Therapist
- Crisis Counsellor/Line Worker
- Cultural Diversity Consultant
- Customs/Immigration Agent
- Family Services Worker
- Foreign Services Officer
- Geriatric Attendant
- Grievance Officer
- Group Home Worker
- Health Educator
- Home care Worker
- Hospice Coordinator
- Immigration Officer
- Information & Referral Counsellor
- Mental Health Clinician or Worker
- Outreach Assistant
- Policy Analyst/Researcher
- Probation or Parole Officer
- Psychometrist
- Public Affairs Coordinator
- Public Health Advisor
- Recreation/Leisure Specialist
- Rehabilitation Counsellor/Specialist
- Researcher/Research Assistant
- Senior Citizens Home Coordinator
- Sexual Harassment Advisor
- Social or Health Policy Researcher
- Statistician/Statistical Assistant
- Teacher/Professor
- Therapy Assistant
- Vocational/Rehabilitation Counsellor
- Youth Counsellor/Care Worker
- Youth Project Manager
- Writer

**Need help deciding what to do?**

Formal Career Assessments like the Strong Interest Inventory and the Myers Briggs Type Indicator can be helpful tools for your career development. Request an assessment via CareerLink.
**ASSOCIATIONS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Associations provide an opportunity for continued professional development. Many also offer networking opportunities and other events for their members.

- American Psychological Association: [www.apa.org](http://www.apa.org)
- Association for Psychological Science: [www.psychologicalscience.org](http://www.psychologicalscience.org)
- Canadian Council on Social Development: [www.ccsd.ca](http://www.ccsd.ca/)
- Canadian Counselling and Psychotherapy Association (CCPA): [www.ccacc.ca](http://www.ccacc.ca/)
- Canadian Institute of Health Research: [www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/193.html](http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/193.html)
- Canadian Mental Health Association: [www.cmha.ca](http://www.cmha.ca/)
- Canadian Psychological Association: [www.cpa.ca](http://www.cpa.ca)
- International Association of Applied Psychology: [www.iaapsy.org](http://www.iaapsy.org/)
- International Positive Psychology Association: [www.ippanetwork.org](http://www.ippanetwork.org/)
- International Psychoanalytical Association: [www.ipa.org.uk](http://www.ipa.org.uk/)
- Psychologists’ Association of Alberta: [www.psychologistsassociation.ab.ca](http://www.psychologistsassociation.ab.ca)
- Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology: [www.siop.org](http://www.siop.org)

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**Career Services**

**YOUR FUTURE STARTS HERE**

- Career Planning
- Job Search Support
- Resume Reviews
- Career Workshops
- Online Job Postings
- Career Fairs
- Networking Events
- Information Sessions & much more!

**Connect with us:**

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CareerLink: [ucalgary.ca/careers](http://ucalgary.ca/careers)

Facebook: [ucalgary.ca/careers](http://ucalgary.ca/careers)  
Twitter: @HireUCalgary

**Job Boards**

- Indeed: [https://ca.indeed.com/](https://ca.indeed.com/)  
- PsycCareers: [https://www.psyccareers.com/](https://www.psyccareers.com/)  
- Eluta.ca: [http://www.eluta.ca](http://www.eluta.ca)  
- CareerLink: [careerlink.ucalgary.ca](http://careerlink.ucalgary.ca)

**Additional Resources**

- Great Jobs for Psychology Majors by Julie Degalan  
- Finding Jobs With A Psychology Bachelor’s Degree by R. Eric Landrum  

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**Student Clubs**

PSYCHS Club  
[psyc.ucalgary.ca/PSYCHS](http://psyc.ucalgary.ca/PSYCHS)

**Aligned Majors**

Communications, Education, Marketing, Sociology, Social Work