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

Animal Behavior | Behavioral Neuroscience
Adult 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: http://web.psych.washington.edu/

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