

THE P³ PROGRAM

A TWO-YEAR BACHELOR'S DEGREE COMPLETION PROGRAM
AT THE PACIFIC GRADUATE SCHOOL OF PSYCHOLOGY



PSYCHOLOGY | PASSION | PROMISE



BE THE CHANGE YOU WANT TO SEE
IN THE WORLD

— GANDHI

"I believe that psychology is the most useful form of knowledge because it teaches me how to understand people—so I can help them in compassionate, effective and productive ways."

*-Nadia Kim
PGSP P³ Student*



Welcome!

Thank you for your interest in the Pacific Graduate School of Psychology and the P³ Bachelor of Science degree completion program in psychology. PGSP is a private professional school of psychology, educating undergraduate and graduate students through a variety of Bachelor's, Master's, Certificate, Distance-Learning and Doctoral programs. Established in 1975 to serve society, PGSP is a diverse learning community dedicated to the search for knowledge and its dissemination. Located in Redwood City, California, PGSP brings together a community of highly talented faculty and partners working side-by-side to bring scientific rigor, theoretical knowledge and practical application to the study of psychology.

Bachelor of Science Degree Completion Program.

PGSP offers a 2-year Bachelor of Science degree completion program designed especially for students like you who are interested in psychology and social action, are transferring from a community college, and want a fast track to professional or further academic opportunities. In partnership with the De Anza—Foothill College District, the PGSP P³ program offers the distinct advantage of being located on the De Anza College campus in Cupertino, California. You will have access to De Anza's state-of-the-art classrooms, library, computer laboratories, sports and student services.

P³ Psychology: Passion and Promise.

Specializing in the social sciences, PGSP offers an innovative and highly structured undergraduate curriculum in psychology and social action. The P³ program—Psychology: Passion and Promise—is designed for students who have a passion for psychology and who would like to make a difference in their communities and in the world. The theme of the P³ program is "The Science of Social Action in a Global Community."

Accreditations

Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

PGSP is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), one of six regional institutional-accrediting associations in the U.S. WASC fosters excellence in elementary, secondary, adult, and postsecondary education by encouraging school improvement through a process of continuing evaluation and by recognizing, through accreditation, schools that meet an acceptable level of quality, in accordance with established criteria.

American Psychological Association.

The Ph.D. program in Clinical Psychology and the PGSP-Stanford Psy.D. Consortium are accredited by the American Psychological Association (APA)'s Commission on Accreditation, a specialized professional-accrediting organization.



PGSP Academic Programs in Psychology

Ph.D in Clinical Psychology
(APA Accredited)

Joint Degrees in Clinical
Psychology
J.D. / Ph.D.
M.B.A. / Ph.D

Certificate Programs in
Forensic and
Neuropsychology

PGSP—STANFORD Psy.D.
CONSORTIUM
(APA Accredited)

M.S. in Psychology
(Distance Learning)

M.S. in Clinical Psychology
(PGSP-AIGLÉ)

B.S. in Psychology
(WASC Accredited)



“Knowledge of psychology is fundamental to many professions, in addition to being a profession in itself. Students with a psychology background are well-prepared to pursue careers in business, management, marketing, education, career counseling, law, and therapy.”

- William Froming, PhD
VP for Academic Affairs
PGSP



“Choose psychology because you acquire knowledge and skills that are versatile. In a world where no one stays in one job for the rest of their lives, you can apply what you learn about people in many ways, in many different jobs.”

- Ann Bilbrey
PGSP P³ Student

Why Psychology?

Your education.

Education is the most valuable commodity you can have to prepare yourself for a career, to make a decent salary, and to support yourself and your family. But the purpose of your undergraduate education is not necessarily to train yourself for a particular job. In fact, very few students become specialists in the undergraduate subjects they study. Your major does not determine your ultimate line of work. Rather, your education and major develops your intellectual capacity to thrive in a wide variety of professions.

Earning your Bachelor’s degree is the best investment you can make for your future. Why? Because a degree buys you more than a diploma to hang on your wall. A degree shows that you are intelligent, creative, hard-working and an excellent problem-solver. The process of earning your degree trains you to be smart and adaptive.

The purpose of your education is to learn how to use your brain. The goal of your college education is to develop your intellect. The more stimulating and challenging your studies and the more interested you are in your major, the smarter you will become. Passionate people learn more and apply what they learn in creative ways. So take classes that interest you, and work with professors who make you excited about coming to class. The people we remember, and the ones who have an impact on us, stimulate us to learn more and to be creative.

Your major.

One of the first questions we hear from people considering psychology as a college major is, “What can I do with a degree in psychology?” The answer to this question is, “Anything.” By studying psychology, you will gain the ability to observe, analyze, and solve problems when facing novel challenges. You will learn to be a critical thinker and problem-solver, and to work effectively with other people. With these skills, you will become flexible and adaptable in diverse situations. This means that you can do different types of work in different jobs. The modern world continuously evolves and changes. We estimate that 30% of all job categories have disappeared in the last 25 years, partly due to changing technology. In another 25 years, 30% of today’s job categories will also disappear. A degree in psychology prepares you well for this rapidly changing world.

Psychology is the second most popular undergraduate major in the U.S., and for good reasons. Studying psychology teaches you the intellectual and personal skills necessary to understand human behavior, the human mind, and how to see the world and people from different perspectives. Psychology majors also learn how to effect change in individuals, groups and situations.

Psychology at PGSP.

PGSP is focused on the study of psychology and social action and in providing personalized programs for its students. We are dedicated to the goal of creating intelligent and compassionate graduates who have knowledge of themselves and others and the skills to improve the quality of people’s lives. PGSP students are people who want to make a difference in the world—and to become effective agents of social change. PGSP faculty members are sound academicians with the highest degrees in their respective fields. They are clinicians, researchers and consultants who also teach. P³ professors are passionate about their work and about learning, teaching and inspiring students.

Careers in Psychology

Psychology means career flexibility and interpersonal skills.

When hiring new graduates, employers do not expect them to be already trained to do a particular job. Companies expect to train them at the entry level. However, companies are most interested in hiring people with excellent intellectual skills, who are smart enough to learn on the job.

Businesses hire hundreds of psychology graduates every month in management positions and in a wide variety of industries. For example, high tech companies hire not only engineers, but also graduates for marketing, sales, human resources and other managerial positions.

A typical college student today will change jobs 10-14 times over the course of their career. Students who have good educations and degrees, and those who are flexible and able to quickly adapt to changing environments, will have an advantage in finding new opportunities. It is not always easy. But the job market values people who are smart.

According to the American Psychological Association, about 90,000 students graduate with a Bachelor’s degree in psychology each year, and 95% of them are gainfully employed within six months. Five percent go on to graduate school, and the rest go into jobs directly. Graduates entering the workforce go into jobs like marketing, sales, management, manufacturing, finance, and the service sectors—you name it, and they do it. They can do it because they have great interpersonal skills. They understand how people think, operate, and what motivates them. Psychology graduates have what employers are looking for.



“Choose now because a degree in psychology can open lots of doors, even if you don’t end up working as a psychologist. I am pursuing a Masters degree in nursing, and the P³ program prepared me tremendously for this decision.”

-Shanin Padlog
PGSP P³ Student

U.S. Department of Labor estimates:

- Today’s learner will have 10-14 jobs by age 38
- 1 of 4 workers today works for a company that has employed them for less than 1 year
- More than 1 out of 2 work for a company that has employed them for less than 5 years

Former Secretary of Education, Richard Riley, estimates:

- The top 10 in-demand jobs in 2010 did not exist in 2004
- We are currently preparing students for jobs that do not yet exist to solve problems that we do not even know are problems yet.

PSYCHOLOGY

- Versatile courses, programs and skills
- Interesting and practical courses and degrees
- Human and personal knowledge
- Diverse professional and academic applications

PASSION

Opportunities to make a difference in:

- Peoples lives
- Communities and Society
- Organizations, Companies, and Industry

PROMISE

- Graduate in 2 years
- Fast track to work life or advanced degrees
- Scientific and practical curriculum of psychology and social action
- Senior internship for real-life work experience
- Cohort learning, graduate mentors, and individualized faculty attention
- Special scholarships for community college students
- Access to student services at De Anza and PGSP

“Psychology is a great major because the career options are so diverse. You can pursue graduate education and go into clinical psychology as a researcher or in private practice, become a licensed marriage and family therapist, or be a school counselor—among tons of other possibilities. A bachelor’s degree in psychology is a great asset!”

-Shanin Padlog
PGSP P³ Student



YOUR ROADMAP TO A FUTURE IN PSYCHOLOGY

- BENEFITS >**
- Expand your knowledge of the world
 - Learn about new opportunities
 - Learn about yourself and acquire new interests
 - Increase your earning ability

- Take advantage of urgent market needs
- Maximize your career by starting sooner
- Maximize your earning potential by graduating sooner

- Learn about human behavior and how the mind works
- Study a wide variety of subjects, courses, and applications
- Increase your capacity to understand yourself and others
- High demand for psychological services
- Lay the foundation for a career in business, management, education and law
- Learn how to organize and help people

- ATTEND PGSP'S P³ BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE COMPLETION PROGRAM**
- Earn your Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology in only two years
 - Begin contributing to society sooner
 - Begin earning a good living sooner

- Enjoy a higher earning potential
- Choose from a greater selection of positions

- Enjoy an even higher earning potential
- Enter Academia fulltime
- Choose to further specialize
- Enjoy a greater range of potential careers

- Enjoy the satisfaction of profoundly helping people live full and productive lives
- Leave a legacy for future generations

START HERE

SHOULD I CONTINUE MY EDUCATION?

SHOULD I CONTINUE MY EDUCATION IMMEDIATELY?

SHOULD I STUDY PSYCHOLOGY?

SHOULD I CHOOSE A TWO-YEAR BACHELOR'S DEGREE COMPLETION PROGRAM?

SHOULD I PURSUE A MASTER'S DEGREE?

SHOULD I PURSUE A DOCTORAL DEGREE?

CONTINUE CONTRIBUTING TO SOCIETY THROUGH PSYCHOLOGY

OPTIONS >

WORK AT AN ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE LEVEL

Typical Earnings:*
\$ 34,600 per year
\$ 1,384,320 /40 yr career

Typical Positions:

- Residential Treatment Center Staff Worker
- State Mental Hospital Psychology Technician
- Medical Receptionist
- Institutional Orderly

FIND YOUR PASSION AND PURSUE IT!

ATTEND ANOTHER 4-YR COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY

- Typically more expensive
- High Student/Faculty ratio
- Acceptance rate low
- Large, crowded classes
- Difficult to get individual attention & advice
- May need to move or commute longer
- Takes longer to graduate

WORK AT A BACHELOR'S DEGREE LEVEL

Typical Earnings:*
\$ 46,176 per year
\$ 1,847,040 /40 yr career

Typical Positions:

- Top- & Mid-level managers, executives, administrators
- Sales, including retail
- Social workers
- Personnel, training, labor relations specialists
- Insurance, securities, real estate, business services
- Registered nurses, pharmacists, therapists, physician assistants
- Accountants, auditors, other financial specialists

WORK AT A MASTER'S DEGREE LEVEL

Typical Earnings:*
\$ 54,720 per year
\$ 2,188,800 /40 yr career

Typical Positions:

- Crisis Intervention Counselor
- College Counselor
- Vocational Counselor
- Alcohol/Drug Counselor
- Guidance Counselor
- Art or Music Therapist
- Physical Therapist
- Occupational Therapist
- Human Resources
- Labor Relations
- Career Planning
- Health Educator
- Account Executive
- Marketing Manager
- Sales Representative
- Market Analyst

WORK AT A DOCTORAL DEGREE LEVEL

Typical Earnings:*
\$ 69,168 per year
\$ 2,766,720 /40 yr career

Typical Positions:

- Academic
- Health Psychology
- Neuropsychology or Psychobiology
- Industrial/Organization Psychology
- Psychometrics or Quantitative Psychology
- Clinical Psychology
- Community Psychology
- Developmental Psychology
- Educational Psychology
- Environmental Psychology
- Family Psychology
- Forensic Psychology
- Law

** Source: National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE). For comparison only.*



“Our goal is to train students who either want to go on to graduate school, to get a master’s or doctorate degree in psychology, or begin to work.”

*–Paul Marcille
PGSP Professor
P³ Program Director*

“PGSP’s undergraduate program is a great “foot in the door” to graduate school and allows you to interact with students of all levels, from undergraduates, graduate and post-graduate students. Everyone is open and willing to help you with your academic and personal life experiences.”

*–Rebecca Brackett
PGSP Graduate Student
and P³ Student Mentor*

P³ General Education

- Anthropology
- Biology
- Philosophy
- Intercultural Studies
- Statistics
- Sociology
- Economics
- Psychological Writing

P³ Psychology Courses

- Psychology of Learning and Memory
- Developmental Psychology
- Evolutionary Psychology
- Personality Theories
- Research Methods in Psychology
- Social Psychology
- Psychology of Gender
- Cross-Cultural Psychology
- Abnormal and Clinical Psychology
- Internship/Research in Psychology
- Senior Capstone Course in Psychology

The P³ Program

Integrated curriculum.

PGSP offers 2 years of junior and senior-year coursework for students who have completed 90 quarter unit hours or 60 semester unit hours of coursework and their general educational requirements—and now want to go on to major in psychology.

The foundation of the P³ program is a classic curriculum, in which you study 12 upper-level psychology courses in a wide range of areas such as psychophysiology, learning and memory, social psychology, research methods, and personality theory.

The P³ difference—psychology and social action.

Many of the PGSP P³ professors also teach at the graduate level, and they all have years of research, clinical and consulting experience. They enrich their courses with these experiences.

Most traditional undergraduate psychology programs focus solely on psychology courses, providing their students with only an intrapsychic perspective on understanding and helping people. What is often missing are essential courses that provide students with a broader understanding of the cultural, political, economic and social issues that influence our lives.

To better prepare students for careers helping others, the P³ program combines the study and application of psychology and social action. In P³, we teach not only psychology courses but also subjects that provide additional perspectives on human behavior. These courses are in the social sciences and include subjects such as sociology anthropology, politics, economics, philosophy and social action – all chosen to complement the psychology curriculum.

Cohort learning and student counsel.

The P³ program uses a graduate school model of teaching. Students study in a cohort throughout their two years of classes. Unlike typical undergraduate programs, in which students share only one or two classes, students work and learn together in all their classes from beginning to end. The cohort learning environment provides a distinct sense of community among students and faculty, which encourages learning among individuals and the group. It enhances the program’s course progression plan and provides students with a sense of ownership in their professional development. P³ students enjoy high quality learning in every class with a greater feeling of inclusiveness and collaboration.

P³ students receive excellent academic advising and career counseling. PGSP provides quality education in small class settings, and the low student/faculty ratio allows for extensive contact between professors and students. All P³ students are assigned to a PGSP graduate student mentor, who is available to assist them with coursework and personal advice.

Sample course of study.

Here is a sample sequence of courses in the PGSP P³ Bachelor of Science Degree Completion Program. A total of 90 credit hours is required.

Fall Quarter Year 1		Winter Quarter Year 1		Spring Quarter Year 1		Fall Quarter Year 2		Winter Quarter Year 2		Spring Quarter Year 2	
Classes	Units	Classes	Units	Classes	Units	Classes	Units	Classes	Units	Classes	Units
Cultural Anthropology	4	Human Biology	4	Clinical and Abnormal Psychology	4	Cross Cultural Psychology	4	International Political Economy	4	Senior Capstone Class	4
Psychology of Learning & Memory	4	Theories of Personality	4	Psychology of Life Span Development	4	Sociology: Social Problems	4	Applied Social Psychology	4	Globalization	4
Statistics for the Social Sciences	4	Psychological Writing	3	Philosophy of Science	4	Ethnic Identity and Social Stratification	4	Psychology of Gender	3	Ethics	4
Fundamentals of Social Activism	4	Research Methods in Psychology	4	Social Psychology	4	Senior Internship	4	Senior Internship	2	Senior Internship	2
Total	16	Total	15	Total	16	Total	16	Total	13	Total	14

Campus and Facilities.

Students in the undergraduate program have access to all student services at both the De Anza College and PGSP campuses. These services include:

- Library
- Information Technology
- Food and Health
- Career and psychological counseling
- Tutoring and writing assistance
- Handicap access
- Student activities
- Athletic activities



“There are a lot of things to like about the P³ program. The teachers are excellent. And I really like the small group atmosphere rather than the large lecture halls. Another big plus is that it is at De Anza, where I feel comfortable. I didn’t want to drive an hour to school.”

*–Kresta Painter
PGSP P³ Student*





Paul Marcille, Ph.D.
Professor and
P³ Program Director



William Froming, Ph.D.
Professor and
VP for Academic Affairs

Faculty

- Joshua Avera, M.A.
- Daniel J. Bunce, Ph.D.
- Leslie Carson, Ph.D.
- Steve Del Chiaro, Ph.D.
- James O. Clifford, Jr., Ph.D.
- Constance Cole, M.A.
- Chris Fahrenbach, Ph.D.
- John Fox, M.A.
- William Froming, Ph.D.
- Mark C. Healy, M.A.
- Sheila Henderson, Ph.D.
- Paul Marcille, Ph.D.
- Nancy Olsen, Ph.D.
- Thomas Vician, Sr., Ph.D.

Faculty

Paul J. Marcille, Ph.D.
Professor and Director, P³ Program

Dr. Marcille joined the PGSP faculty from the American University of Paris in France, where he was the Vice-President and Dean of Student Affairs and Chairman of the Psychology Department. He is a Clinical Psychologist with a specialty working with adolescent and university age students. During his tenure in Paris, he also maintained a private practice and was a member and one-time President of the International Counseling Service (ICS), an association of Anglophone psychologists and psychiatrists in France. He was on the board of directors of several international schools and is an expert on international education. His clinical and research interests include culture shock, multilingualism, developmental issues in late adolescence and early adulthood.

Dr. Marcille obtained his BA in Psychology from Ohio University and his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the Chicago Medical School. Prior to his moving to Europe in 1988, he was the Director of Psychology at Potomac Hospital in Woodbridge, Virginia.

“You are on the fast track as a P³ student. With our Bachelor’s degree, you acquire work experience and you are also immediately eligible for graduate study at PGSP.”

William Froming, Ph.D.
Professor, VP Academic Affairs and Director of Distance Learning

Dr. Froming’s background is in personality and social psychology. He focuses primarily on social development and the process by which social norms are internalized by children. This is thought of as the development of self-regulation. He is also interested in genocide and the common features shared by genocides of the 20th century. He has studied the Holocaust and the Rwandan genocide, interviewed survivors, and taught and written on the topic.

Dr. Froming taught for eleven years in the University of Florida Psychology Department following undergraduate work at the U of Wisconsin, Madison and a Ph.D. from the U of Texas, Austin. He was a Visiting Scholar at Stanford in 1986. He has also taught for the U of New Orleans in Innsbruck, Austria and at the National University in Butare, Rwanda. He has been at PGSP since 1988. In addition to his faculty role he has served in a number of administrative positions including Chief Academic Officer, Faculty Chair, and Director of the Distance Learning program. He holds PGSP’s Nancy Black Cozzens Chair in Psychology.

“The P³ program guarantees that students will be able to graduate in 2 years with a quality education. We assess how our students do on a regular basis, ensuring that they will exceed national norms for undergraduate psychology.”

How to apply

Admission requirements.

The P³ program, Psychology: Passion and Promise, is designed for students who have a passion for psychology and who would like to make a difference in their communities and in the world. Students who have completed 90 quarter unit hours or 60 semester unit hours at an accredited college can make a seamless transition toward a national caliber Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology. To transfer, courses must have been completed with a C grade or above.

Student must have completed:	Details
90 quarter units or 60 semester units at a community college or other undergraduate institution	<i>Courses must be completed with a C grade or above</i>
CSU IGETC and/or CSU GE-Breadth Requirements	<i>Some GE credits will be accumulated during the P³ program</i>
A course in general psychology, experimental psychology (if available) and 2 other psychology courses	<i>Course types can vary depending on specific schools. Please contact the PGSP Admissions office for course verification.</i>
Math courses up to the intermediate algebra level or above	<i>In preparation for a course in Statistics for the Social Sciences</i>
A cumulative GPA of 2.0 or above	
If you are transferring from a private or out-of-state college with different general education requirements	<i>Please contact the PGSP Admissions Office for more information: 800.818.6136</i>

Application.

Interested students should complete the P³ Bachelor of Science in Psychology Application, available online at <http://p3.pgsp.edu>.

Tuition and Fees.

PGSP is a private, not-for-profit institute of higher education. Tuition and fees are established each year to cover operating expenses and salaries of professors and staff.

For more information, please contact the PGSP Financial Aid Office by email: financialaid@pgsp.edu — or by phone: 800.818.6136.

Tuition and Fees 2008-2009 PGSP P ³ Undergraduate Program	Quarter	Annual
Tuition	\$4,069	\$12,206
Fees	\$1,236	\$3,708
Total	\$5,305	\$15,914

Financial aid.

Financial assistance for PGSP undergraduate students may be available from federal, state and institutional sources in the form of grants, scholarships, loans and student employment. All students are eligible to apply for financial assistance. For more information, visit the financial aid web site at http://www.pgsp.edu/financial_aid_home.php or telephone 800.818.6136.



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