

Psychology Career Snapshot

Graduate Opportunities

Psychology graduates work across a range of sectors including **healthcare, counselling services, HR departments, government, marketing, media, social services, education** and many more. Job titles may include:

- Psychologist (e.g. Clinical, Forensic, etc.)
- Counsellor
- Psychotherapist
- Heritage consultant/officer/advisor
- Advice Worker
- Human Resources Officer
- Local Government Officer
- Charity Officer

Look at: [What Can I Do With a Psychology Degree?](#)

Psychologist Pathways

Please view the full **six year** pathway to becoming a Clinical Psychologist [here](#).

Having completed your 3-year Psychology degree you will need to complete either an [Honours year](#) (5.5 GPA required) or a [Graduate Diploma of Psychology](#) (5.0 GPA required).

Following this you will be eligible to apply for either the [Master of Clinical Psychology](#) or [Master of Professional Psychology](#) at JCU.

Alternatively you could consider a postgraduate course in Counselling/Psychotherapy at another university. These courses typically have lower entry requirements and don't require an Honour's year/Grad Diploma.

Professional Associations

Professional Associations hold regular professional development and networking events and students are often welcome to join:

- [Australian Psychological Society \(APS\)](#)
- [Australian Association of Psychologists](#)

Career Relevant Experiences

Gaining experience in psychological interventions can be difficult, however working with different client groups and building your communications skills via work experience or as a volunteer is very achievable **Think about areas of psychology that interest you most and seek out opportunities in that area.** Also join the [JCU Psychology Association](#) to network with your peers and learn about further opportunities.

If you wish to develop your counselling skills you could volunteer as a [Lifeline Crisis Supporter](#) (Lifeline provides training). Other volunteer organisations are as follows:

- [Beyond Blue](#)
- [FNQ Volunteers](#)
- [Volunteering North Queensland](#)
- [My Community Directory](#)
- [Seek Volunteer](#)

Recommended Skills

Communication and Interpersonal Skills; Empathy and Sensitivity; **Critical Thinking;** Problem Solving; **Emotional Resilience;** Working Collaboratively; **Time Management and Organisation**

Graduate Career Portals

Check out these sites for graduate programmes, graduate jobs, internships and placements:

- [Prosple](#)
- [SEEK Grad](#)
- [Smart Jobs](#)

JCU Careers Support

The JCU Careers and Employability Team are here to support you during your studies and after you graduate:

- [JCU Careers Website](#)
- [CareerHub \(Book Careers Appointments Here\)](#)