

PSYCHOLOGICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES, B.A.

Seven Penn State campuses are scheduled for closure after Spring 2027: DuBois, Fayette, New Kensington, Mont Alto, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, and York. New students are not being admitted at these campuses.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Abington

Program Learning Objectives

- **Critical Thinking and Scientific Reasoning:**
 - Understand and utilize the scientific method and basic research methods.
 - Demonstrate critical thinking in the analysis and evaluation of information to distinguish the scientific from the nonscientific.
- **Effective Communication (Writing and Speaking):**
 - Communicate social scientific knowledge orally in a clear and accurate manner.
 - Communicate social scientific knowledge in writing in a clear and accurate manner.
- **Ethics and Diversity:**
 - Evidence knowledge of and appreciation for cultural diversity and relativity in human experience, and for the complexity of human behavior and interactions.
 - Acquire an ethical lens that applies to concrete professional situations and broader issues in society and culture.
- **Knowledge and Application:**
 - Describe key psychological and sociological concepts and theories.
 - Apply concepts and theories to empirical and real life situations.