DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

The Department of Psychology offers a combination of innovative training opportunities in clinical psychology. Both the Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.) and the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degrees in clinical psychology are APA-accredited.

Mission statement

The mission and motto of Loma Linda University and Loma Linda University Medical Center are "to continue the teaching and healing ministry of Jesus Christ to make man whole." This mission and motto, combined with the University's values of compassion, integrity, excellence, freedom, justice, purity, and humility are central to the Department of Psychology and its programs. The Department of Psychology seeks to advance the institutional mission, both nationally and internationally, through academic, research, and practice activities related to behavioral health.

Loma Linda is part of a worldwide network of health-care systems and is uniquely connected and poised to participate globally through its numerous clinics, hospitals, health-care facilities, and educational institutions throughout the world. This globalized health-care orientation provides expanded training opportunities for students who have a passion for a broader life experience in assisting with the health-care needs of diverse peoples both nationally and internationally.

Academic writing support

Students who are found to need assistance can contact their program director to arrange individual support.

Psychology M.A. degree eligibility

As part of the overall doctoral program, a master's degree in psychology—based on the successful completion of course work for the degree—is available to students enrolled in the Ph.D. or Psy.D. degree program. Eligibility for the M.A. degree requires the student to complete 51 units of course work and to formally apply (submit a petition to graduate) for the degree. The Department of Psychology does not admit students to an M.A.-only degree program; and the M.A. degree is not formally awarded at commencement (i.e., students do not participate in the graduation exercise).

A complete list of part-time and voluntary faculty can be viewed on the department web site: <http://www.llu.edu/behavioral-health/psychology/ >.

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