### **Psychology Department Advising Office**

The department sponsors this service for majors. Two graduate Counseling Psychology students advise undergraduate majors in CAS 341. Under faculty direction, these graduate students complete, with the student, contracts of study, class schedules, and registration materials. Advisors help students track progress toward degree requirements, but final responsibility to make sure all degree requirements are met rests with the student. The undergraduate advisors also help students with career planning and consult with them on graduate school preparation and applications. For an appointment, call the Main Office at 972-7280.

For additional information contact the Undergraduate Advising Office in CAS 341 (330-972-7280)

## **Psychology Majors:**

# Interested in Working in Mental Health/Counseling?



#### What are the opportunities?

Mental health and human services agencies offer opportunities for BA level graduates with the right set of experiences. Human Services Workers, Case Workers, Drug and Alcohol Counselors, and Psychological Assistants earned a median salary \$37k in 2019.

With a Master's in Clinical or Counseling psychology, an MSW or a Master's in Community Counseling, jobs in the mental health services field are available. In 2014, these positions offered median salaries around \$50k.

Counseling or Clinical psychologists (those with a Ph.D.) earned a median salary of \$78k in 2020. Salary varied markedly by setting and geographic region.

#### Prepare <u>now</u> for your career path

It is important to design carefully your major. Course selection and engagement in extracurricular experiences to build your credentials for employment or graduate school are important in determining your options.

In building your major, select from these courses your 4 core psychology courses:

- 230 Developmental Psychology
- 320 Biopsychology
- 335 Dynamics of Personality
- 340 Social Psychology
- 410 Psychological Tests & Measurements

Have you considered a Field Experience (495) or Independent Reading and Research (497) to enhance your credentials?

#### Elective choice is critical!

The major requires at least 12 credits of electives. Select especially from these electives:

- 420 Abnormal Psychology
- 430 Psychological Disorders of Childhood
- 435 Cross-cultural Psychology
- 441 Clinical and Counseling Psychology
- 442 Clinical and Counseling Psychology II
- 474 Psychology of Women
- 475 Psychology of Adulthood & Aging
- 480 Introduction to Counseling Techniques