



ROCHESTER
UNIVERSITY

PSYCHOLOGY



DEGREE OPTIONS

BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE

CONCENTRATION AVAILABLE
IN SOCIAL WORK

PSYCHOLOGY

COURSE HIGHLIGHTS

• Psychology

- Abnormal Psychology
- Advanced Experimental Psychology
- Brain and Behavior
- Cognitive Psychology
- Developmental Neuropsychology
- Directed Research in Psychology
- Health Psychology
- Intro to Psychotherapy and Counseling
- Learning and Memory
- Research Methods in the Social Sciences
- Sensation and Perception

• Behavioral Science

- Psychology of Personality
- Social Welfare and Public Policy
- Diversity and Cross-Cultural Psychology
- Ethics in the Behavioral Sciences
- Social Work Field Practicum

THE RU ADVANTAGE

We analyze. We identify. We serve.

As you begin your studies at RU, you will start making connections between your past experiences and present opportunities for the purpose of discovering and shaping your identity. Throughout your academic journey, you will continually engage with the world around you and create a plan to use your experiences, knowledge and skills to discover and develop pathways to purpose and meaning. As a student at RU, you will be introduced to the story of God in order to reflect on how you can participate in God's mission in the world. As you approach graduation, you will apply your accumulated knowledge and experiences to a specific project and share the results with RU's academic community. The result of this work is well-educated and compassionate graduates who are equipped to deal with the emotional, mental, social and spiritual needs of others. In other words, you will leave RU as a young professional with the ability to change your life and the world for the better.

THE PSYCHOLOGY & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE PROGRAMS

teach you to identify, explain and apply the major concepts, empirical findings and trends in psychology and social work. Throughout your degree, you will conduct original research with attention to design and data analysis in order to generate insights into behavioral and psychological phenomena. You will use scientific reasoning and theory to solve problems and examine behavioral and mental processes, while being able to identify and explain good practice that reflects ethical values. Your ability to communicate a clear and precise scientific argument and engage in discussion of psychological concepts will serve you well as you launch your career or continue your academic pursuits after graduation.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

PROFESSORS who not only bring a background of "real-world experience" to the classroom, but are currently active in their fields as practicing clinicians

OPPORTUNITY TO WORK ONE-ON-ONE

with professors who carry the highest credentials available within the study of psychology and social work (as opposed to working primarily with graduate students at larger universities)

OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN PSI CHI, the long-standing International Honor Society in Psychology

CAPSTONE COURSES (SENIOR PROJECTS)

that provide the relevant field experience employers and graduate schools seek

- » **Psychology Capstone Course** guides students to develop and present original research at the annual *Midwestern Psychological Association conference in Chicago, Illinois (where RU repeatedly boasts a larger number of student participants than several major universities in the Midwest).*
- » **Social Work Capstone Course** requires a 300-hour field practicum supervised by a behavioral science professional at a social services agency. Students also complete a portfolio that serves as a visual representation of their career as a professional social worker.

100% ACCEPTANCE RATE
to REGIONAL & NATIONAL
PSYCHOLOGY, NEUROPSYCHOLOGY & NEUROSCIENCE
conferences since 2012

average
CLASS
SIZE of

12

86% OF GRADUATES

were employed, enrolled in graduate
school, or engaged in an internship
within 6 months of graduation

CNN's Money Magazine
recognized Rochester as one of
the top places to live and the very

**BEST IN all
of MICHIGAN!**

1,098
STUDENTS
from 19 states and 10 nations

Rochester Hills has been named one of the
100 SAFEST CITIES IN THE US

OUR CAMPUS IS **83 PRISTINE ACRES**

LOCATED A SHORT WALK FROM DOWNTOWN ROCHESTER
-and no more than 30 miles from-

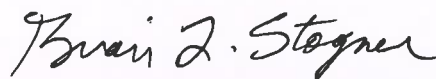
MUSEUMS · MARKETS · MALLS · CONCERTS
PRO SPORTS · THE AUTOMOTIVE SCENE · OUTDOOR ADVENTURE
FOOD TRUCKS + FINE DINING · WORLD CLASS ENTERTAINMENT
NATURAL BEAUTY, AND ALL KINDS OF OTHER FUN TO DISCOVER

We see you as a person created in the image of God.
You're not just a name on a class roster or a number on an
assessment report. You are a human being who belongs here!

We want you to come to RU to start discovering your life
purpose and to envision how that purpose unfolds in your
work life. Then, as you continue in these pursuits, we hope
you will explore how all of those discoveries coincide with
what God is doing in the world. We'll help you take your gifts
and capabilities and use them productively for yourself and
for your future. Equally important, we want you to use your
degree to positively impact lives, communities and the world.

This approach to your future can also be described as
"vocation." I encourage you to start thinking "vocation" in
addition to "career." Why? Because employers are looking for
individuals who have this holistic vision and who bring big-
picture thinking and integrity to the workplace—every day.

Thus, our ultimate goal is to set you on a path where you
have a vocation that allows you to support yourself and your
family, brings positive energy to the workforce, and helps
improve our world.



DR. BRIAN STOGNER, President



B.S. BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE '10

LYDIA RUTER

INTEGRATED SERVICES PROGRAM MANAGER • **imPOWERED**

"This quote from Frederick Buechner has resonated with me as I considered what to study or where to work: 'The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet.' RU helped me discover my vocation in meaningful work that brings me joy, challenges and satisfaction. There is a lot of good work that needs doing in the world. A social work degree from RU will prepare you for that good work."



PSYCHOLOGY '19

EMILY BEMIS

GRADUATE STUDENT • UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT MERCY

My experience with the RU psychology department was exceptional from start to finish. As an undergraduate student, I was given the unique opportunity to participate in several advanced-level research projects with professors who have extensive experience—something I believe was advantageous in my graduate school applications. Beyond the unmatched academic experience, my time at RU cultivated life-giving, Christ-centered and uplifting relationships with peers and professors alike."



B.S. PSYCHOLOGY '12

KRISTEN HODGE

PSYCHOLOGIST • ROGERS PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES P.C.

"I did exceptionally well in graduate school because I was ahead of most of my peers (even those who had graduated from big universities). When I started the program, many of my peers had not even heard of some of the concepts I learned in my classes at RU. I was also confident enough to teach a two-hour lecture for one of my first class assignments because of the oral presentation practice I obtained at RU."



FACULTY

GORDON MACKINNON

Chair—Department of Behavioral Sciences

Director—MacKinnon Psychology and Counseling Clinic

Professor of Psychology

B.S., Rochester College

B.S., Oakland University

M.A., Wayne State University

Ph.D., University of Detroit Mercy



JESSICA MATCHYNSKI-FRANKS

Associate Professor of Psychology

B.S., Rochester College

M.S., Central Michigan University

Ph.D., Central Michigan University

SARAH REDDICK

Associate Professor of Social Work and Sociology

B.A., Southwest Missouri State University

M.S.W., University of Hawaii

Academy of Certified Social Workers

Licensed Master Social Worker, State of Michigan

ROBYN SIEGEL-HINSON

Chair—Institutional Review Board

Professor of Psychology

B.A., University of Michigan

M.A., University of Toledo

Ph.D., University of Toledo

A DEGREE IS JUST THE BEGINNING.

Here's how you can use your degree to positively impact lives, communities and the world.

BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE • PSYCHOLOGY These degrees allow graduates to seek entry-level positions in crisis intervention centers, counseling clinics and other human service agencies. They are primarily designed to be used in preparation for graduate studies in the fields of social services, psychology (clinical, counseling or school psychology, or marriage and family therapy), neuropsychology or psychotherapy. A master's degree is typically required to certify for practice in most agencies and for licensure as professional counselors.

STUDENT RESOURCE: MACKINNON PSYCHOLOGY & COUNSELING CLINIC The role of the MacKinnon Psychology and Counseling Clinic at RU is to help meet the psychological and developmental needs of young adults who face major life transitions and adjustments while they are in college. Psychological services can provide coping mechanisms to help students succeed both academically and personally. Professional psychological and counseling services provided to Rochester University students through the clinic include individual psychotherapy, marital and family psychotherapy, and psychological assessments to assist in identifying the individual challenges of students with the goal of assisting them to be successful.

take the next step

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