Community Concentration in Psychology

2019

For application materials or more information, please contact Dr. Glantsman at oglantsm@depaul.edu

General Information

This concentration is perfect for psychology students who have a passion for social justice and empowerment. The ultimate goal of this multi-course program is to empower students to become agents of change in their own communities and provide them with a skillset that will prepare them for graduate studies or the workplace in community psychology or any career that may utilize community psychology competencies in a related field (e.g., social work, public health, clinical psychology, law, public policy arena, etc.).

Samples of Post Graduation Paths

• Social Service, University of Chicago
• Clinical-Community Psychology, DePaul University
• Law School, University of Chicago
• Art Therapy, Adler University
• Research Associate, DePaul's Center for Community Research
• Lurie Children’s Hospital
• Social Work, Columbia University
• Designated Care Manager, Sunrise Senior Living
Fieldwork Experience

In their Senior year, students are given an opportunity to gain experiential learning and fieldwork experience by collaborating with a community organization or a research team in a two-quarter long internship. These experiences help to better prepare students for both graduate school and their careers.

Sample Internship Sites from Prior Years

- DePaul’s Center for Community Research
- Center for Change
- Red Cross
- Lurie Children’s Hospital
- DePaul’s Family and Community Services
- Project Vida
- Mercy House Lakefront
- Jumpstart
- Chicago Lights
- Centro Nuestro
- Open Books
- Refugee One
- University of Chicago Medical Center
- Lawndale Christian Health Center
- Chicago Women’s AIDS Project
- The Harbour Shelters
- Upward Bound
- Sarah’s Circle
- La Casa Norte
- Arts of Life
- Center on Halsted
- Safer Foundation
- Health Connect One

Required Course List

Common Core Courses:
- PSY105 – Introductory Psychology I
- PSY106 – Introductory Psychology II
- PSY240 – Introductory Statistics I
- PSY241 – Research Methods I
- PSY242 – Research Methods II

(The above courses should be completed by the end of Junior year)

PSY361 – History & Systems in Psychology

Community Concentration Courses:
- PSY354 – Introduction to Community Psychology
- PSY356 – Principles of Field Research & Action (Spring of Junior year)
- PSY359 – Field Work in Community Research & Action (Fall and Winter of Senior year)

Four additional Psychology electives

Community Concentration: Trauma Track

In place of two electives:
- PSY372 – Psychology of Disaster & Crisis Intervention
- PSY378 – Psychology of Trauma