Get Connected To Career Resources

Focus II. Focus II is an online career planning tool that allows students to conduct self-assessments, research careers, and make decisions. Students may use the tool by registering at gvsu.edu/counsel/focus-2-89.htm.

Career Contact Bank on LinkedIn. The Career Center manages a group called the Career Contact Bank on LinkedIn.com. The members of the group are GVSU alumni who are available to assist current students. Students are encouraged to reach out to alumni to learn more about a career field or for networking purposes. Check out gvsu.edu/careercontact for more information.

Career Events. Check out gvsu.edu/careers for information on upcoming events. These events range from small informational seminars to large career fairs with 150+ employers.

Other Useful Career Research Websites.

careeronestop.org
usajobs.gov
whatcanidowiththismajor.com/major/idealist.org

How Psychology Majors Can Use Lakerjobs

Students and alumni should be using Lakerjobs—GVSU's free, web-based job management system to view and apply for current job and internship postings and to research the skills and experiences required to be marketable for a specific career type.

gvsu.edu/lakerjobs

Tips for Using Lakerjobs Effectively.

- Use Lakerjobs for Research. If you are unsure of how you’d like to use your psychology degree, begin to research career types and explore the skills employers are looking for.

- Search by Job Function rather than Major. This will allow you to see all positions that match the type of career you are looking for, rather than limiting you to positions that list “Psychology” as a desired major.

- Keep an Open Mind. Do not disregard a posting based on major listed or the job title. Dig deeper. You may find there are many aspects of that position that match what you’re looking for in your future career.

5 Questions

Whether you are a first-year student, a GVSU alum, or somewhere in between, we hope you will take 5 minutes to ask yourself 5 questions.

1. What are my interests, passions, and values?
2. What are my skills and abilities?
3. What steps can I take to test them out?
4. Where do I want to go?
5. How do I get there?

There are no right answers to these questions. There are no wrong answers to these questions. There are only your answers to these questions; answers that may change as you discover who you are, engage in the possibilities of all you can do, and connect with a plan for your future.

Check out gvsu.edu/careers/fivequestions to find resources and links that will help you to answer the 5 Questions.