

School of Social and Behavioral Sciences



Master of Science in Forensic Psychology

Forensic psychology provides critical insight into what motivates human behavior, as it applies to the judicial system. Experts in the psychological composition of criminals, witnesses and victims can be essential to law enforcement, courts, corrections and victim services departments. Northcentral University's 100% online master's in forensic psychology focuses on the application of psychological principles, research, diagnostic and assessment tools within forensic settings. This degree program* prepares graduates to work with the justice department in a variety of functions, including case managers, victims' advocates, expert witnesses or jury consultants. Some roles may require additional education and credentials, such as licensure as a psychologist.

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

This 30-credit degree program examines human behavior and its expression in legal settings, profile development and personality assessments. Graduates will be prepared to:

- Analyze psychological theories and principles, and apply them to a legal setting
- Utilize diagnostic and assessment tools in a forensic setting
- Design and synthesize research related to judicial systems and law enforcement
- Develop logical arguments and profiles related to forensic psychology concepts

The specialized knowledge gained in this degree program will help you develop the skills necessary to contribute to many areas of the legal and law enforcement professions. This master's degree does not lead to licensure or certification.

WHO WILL TEACH YOU

You will be taught by NCU professors who have a background in forensic psychology or related fields. To support your success in the program, your first course will be taught by a professor who has been specifically trained to familiarize you with the NCU educational experience. As you progress to more specialized courses, your professors will likewise exhibit expertise specific to course topics.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

Effective law enforcement and victim advocacy professionals utilize psychological principles, which makes a graduate-level degree in forensic psychology valuable to the judicial system. This program combines the study of the legal system and individual behavioral sciences, and provides insight into how the two intersect and influence one another.

CAREER POTENTIAL

The program is designed to provide graduates with the skills necessary to perform services in many legal settings, including as a:

- Case Manager
- Clinical or program director
- Correctional officer
- Court liaison
- Forensic treatment specialist
- Jury consultant
- Law enforcement advocate

Career positions may require additional experience, training and other factors beyond the successful completion of this degree program.

*For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed programs, and other important information, please visit our website at www.ncu.edu/gedisclosures/MSFP/MSFP.html.

ABOUT NORTHCENTRAL UNIVERSITY



Northcentral University's Department of Psychology delivers PhD, master's bachelor's and graduate certificate programs* in psychology that emphasize the knowledge, skills, practical application and values that are integral to the field. Our specializations are not counseling or therapy-focused, but instead emphasize improving the human condition through research and practice in a variety of professional settings, such as academia, corporations, mental health organizations, research institutions and the judicial system.

THE NCU EXPERIENCE

UNPARALLELED FLEXIBILITY

NCU's uniquely flexible approach to earning a graduate degree online includes weekly course starts to fit your schedule. Our 100% online programs allow you to pursue your degree on your time. At NCU, there are no residency requirements, no need to travel to a physical campus and no entrance exams.

PREMIER EDUCATION

NCU is committed to providing a premier education for our students and holds the same regional accreditation as other prestigious American universities (WSCUC*). You will learn from our professors, all of whom hold doctoral degrees, and are experienced professionals in your field of study. Our one-to-one mentoring approach to learning allows you to experience individualized interaction. NCU offers excellent university resources to support your success now and in the future, including an outstanding online library available 24/7, managed by trained, full-time librarians.

TAILORED TO YOU

At NCU, you'll be learning in a class size of one, so there's no need to worry about dropped classes or waiting lists. There are no group classes or projects to interfere with your calendar. You determine your schedule, just as you determine your educational outcome. That's why NCU's independent study approach is designed for you, the self-motivated student, who seeks a higher degree in their educational journey.

*For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed programs, and other important information, please visit our website at www.ncu.edu/program-disclosures.

**NCU is a WSCUC accredited institution. WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC), 985 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 100, Alameda, CA 94501, 510.748.9001, <http://www.wascenior.org>. WSCUC is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). For program disclosures, visit www.ncu.edu/program-disclosures.

NCU FACTS:

Established: 1996

Type: Private

Setting: Online

Students: 10,000+ current students
– about 95% are enrolled in graduate programs

Tests Required: No GRE/GMAT required

Last Date to Apply: Applications accepted year-round – any course can be started every week

Tuition: Competitive tuition rates – financial aid available to those who qualify

CONTACT NCU TO LEARN MORE OR APPLY NOW

APPLY.NCU.EDU
866.776.0331

NCU Headquarters: 2488 Historic Decatur Road,
Suite 100, San Diego, CA 92106
NCU Service Center: 8667 East Hartford Drive,
Suite 100, Scottsdale, AZ 85255