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There are two majors at NCC... Psychology and Applied Psychology

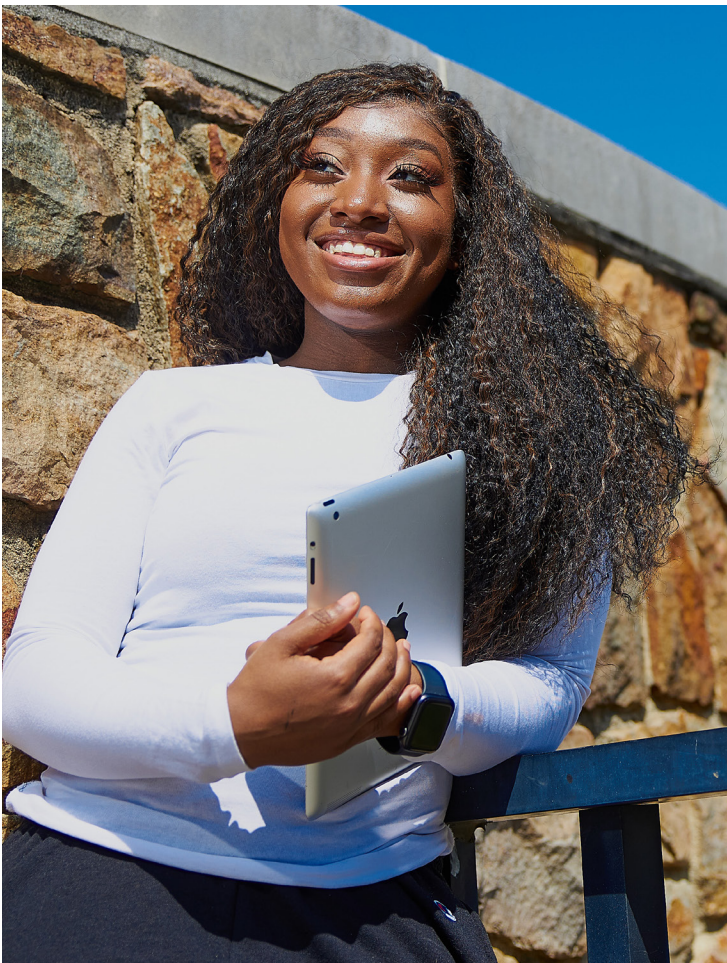
A degree in psychology has so much to offer! There are some people who just know that they've always wanted to help others. If you are one of those people, then the AAS program in Applied Psychology is for you! Students will have the opportunity to learn about psychology, but with a more direct focus on counseling and mental health. There is also an internship component to this program that gives students a snapshot experience of a career in behavioral health/ human services.

For students who know they love psychology but aren't sure what their niche is yet, the AA Psychology major

can be a great fit. Students can learn about the varied disciplines in psychology and take time to explore their own interests through the different psychology courses that NCC has to offer, and that continue to grow!

Several course requirements for the Psychology (AA) & Applied Psychology (AAS) programs overlap and, if an AA student develops a passion for behavioral health/ human services during their studies, changing to an AAS major is possible. Both degrees are transferable to 4-year institutions.

Psychology



FOCUS:

- Foundation in psychology
- Human behavior
- Human development
- Research methods
- Critical Thinking

KEY COURSES:

- Developmental Psychology
- Psychopathology (Abnormal Psychology)
- Research Methods
- Cognitive Psychology
- Psychology of Sex and Gender
- Health Psychology

This degree can be transferred to a four-year college/ university.

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Applied Psychology



FOCUS:

- Behavioral health and human services
- Counseling skills
- Understanding and supporting people with Neurodevelopmental Disorders: Autism Spectrum Disorders, Learning Disorders, ADHD, Communication Disorders, and Intellectual Disabilities.

KEY COURSES:

- Developmental Child Psychopathology, Developmental Psychology, Positive Behavior Support for Individuals with Neurodevelopmental Disorders, Counseling Individuals with Neurodevelopmental Disorders.

This degree can be used as a terminal degree, or transferred to a four-year college/university.

This program culminates in an internship (150 hours at the internship site throughout the semester) which gives students the opportunity to work with individuals with neurodevelopmental disorders, building the student's positive behavior support and counseling skills.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. Students are required to provide background clearances for this program. Please contact Jen Bradley (jbradley@northampton.edu), the Applied Psychology program coordinator, if you have a criminal record, to determine if you are eligible for the program.
2. Students are required to provide their own transportation to their internship site.

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