



STEM Careers

Clinical Psychologist

Job Description: Assess, diagnose, and treat mental and emotional disorders of individuals through observation, interview, and psychological tests. Help individuals with distress understand their problems through their knowledge of case history, interviews with patients, and theory. May design behavior modification programs and consult with medical personnel regarding treatment.

What does a Clinical Psychologist do?

- Collect information about individuals or clients using interviews, case histories, observational techniques, and other assessment methods
- Counsel individuals, groups, or families to help them understand problems, deal with crisis situations, define goals, and develop realistic action plans
- Document patient information
- Obtain and study medical, psychological, social, and family histories
- Plan and develop accredited psychological service programs in psychiatric centers or hospitals, in collaboration with psychiatrists and other medical professionals
- Conduct research to develop or improve diagnostic or therapeutic counseling techniques

Your Interests:

- Do you want to study how the brain works, including mental conditions and disorders?
- Are you interested in helping and understanding individuals' mental health?

Outlook: BRIGHT

Average Salary - \$39.67 hourly, \$82,510 annually
Projected Job Openings - 9,400 in the next 10 years

Education/Program of Study:

- Positions require credentials ranging from a master's degree to a doctorate.
- Degree path includes psychology, communication, and related fields.