



HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY

WHY HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY?

Health Psychology applies the biopsychosocial model to understand physical and mental health and illness. By understanding contributing factors to health and health decision-making, health psychologists can work directly with individuals or contribute to improvement of structures, programs and procedures at the societal level. Health psychology is under Division 38 of the American Psychological Association (APA) and includes clinical health psychology, public health psychology, community health psychology and critical health psychology.

WHY CLEMSON?

- Clemson University has a strong infrastructure for interdisciplinary research in health psychology with a bold strategy to further strengthen the University's reputation in health research.
- An MS in Applied Psychology with a Health Psychology concentration was developed in 2023.
- Students can expect to engage in formative learning experiences through coursework and research under the guidance of faculty dedicated to advancing the science of health psychology.

GET INVOLVED

Learn more about how Clemson University is dedicated to advancing the science of health through its work with the:

- [Clemson University Center for Addiction and Mental Health Research](#)
- [Health Sciences Center at Prisma Health](#)
- [Institute for Engaged Aging](#)

Click below to learn more about our faculty who are engaged in cutting-edge, interdisciplinary research in health psychology. Visit the departmental YouTube page to hear directly from our faculty.

- Jinan Allan, Ph.D.
- Anna Baker, Ph.D.
- Brooke Bennett, Ph.D.
- Kaileigh Byrne, Ph.D.
- Hye Won Chai, Ph.D.
- Alyssa Gamaldo, Ph.D.
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The Department of Psychology is a part of the College of Behavioral, Social and Health Sciences which has a focus on building people and communities.

