



Stony Brook University

Department of Psychology

In order to increase the recruitment, retention, and training of diverse doctoral students in psychology, the Psychology Department at Stony Brook University developed a committee of students and faculty dedicated to increasing the diversity of our graduate student population.

The Psychology Department accepts applications for its 4 Ph.D. programs (**Clinical Psychology, Cognitive Science, Social & Health Psychology, and Integrative Neuroscience**) and for the Master's (M.A.) Program. Our graduate programs provide rigorous training in science and research. Students are admitted to work with a faculty mentor and are trained to conduct independent research.

As a way to increase the number of underrepresented scholars who apply, we will host a weekly virtual **Psychology Graduate School Application Cafe** throughout the months of **October and November**, in time for our December 1st application deadline. Interested applicants of diverse backgrounds will hear from current faculty and students who will host these sessions. These weekly sessions will center on the following topics:

- How to find the right advisor and program (and taking steps to reaching out!)
- Introducing the Stony Brook psychology faculty and their areas of study
 - We encourage applicants to review our faculty and research program to determine if their research interests align with our current faculty.
 - https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/psychology/clinical/clinical_faculty#CoreFaculty
 - https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/psychology/integrative_neuroscience/integrativeneuro_faculty#CoreFaculty
 - https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/psychology/cognitive/cognitive_faculty#CoreFaculty
 - https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/psychology/social_health/socialhealth_faculty#CoreFaculty
- How to craft a personal statement (and supplemental statements if necessary)
- Recommendation Letters: Deciding who can write best about you and your experiences
- Talking about yourself: Interview tips and strategies
- \$\$\$: Funding your grad school career: Fellowships, Grants, and Assistantships
- Hearing from our own: A round table discussion with students from our psychology areas

Added Benefits

- Free advice!
- Potential for application fee waiver
- Access to personal statements from current students across all psychology areas

Complete this Google form indicating your interest and a few details about yourself:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1cHDn9iJfacI994BrCsl_aZJbi4VDeSY_qlrIEIQVMtY/edit

- Please provide a valid email address in order to receive the recurring Zoom invitations, updates, and access to personal statements from current SBU student.

Sincerely,

The Stony Brook Psychology Department's Student Recruitment Committee