Overview

This resource provides a list of 130 occupations that psychology majors may pursue, together with the associated urls to an online description of the occupation presented in an electronic version of the Dictionary of Occupational Titles (DOT). Advisors can use this resource to assist psychology majors in identifying potential career paths.

I used the following sources to create the list.

- Students enrolled in my Orientation to a Major in Psychology class who must identify an occupation in which they have an interest
- A list of the occupations that IUPUI psychology alumni report they have entered
- Marky Lloyd’s Careers in Psychology website (www.psychwww.com/careers)
- The UNC Wilmington Career Services website (www.uncwil.edu/stuaff/career/Majors/psychology.html)
- A non-exhaustive examination of the DOT, during which I searched for occupations not identified by the first four sources

If there are other occupations in the DOT that you believe should be included in this list, please email these occupations and their urls to me at dappleby@iupui.edu.

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Description

The *DOT* provides descriptions of more than 40,000 occupations that identify the tasks people in these occupations must perform. This makes the *DOT* a very valuable source of information for advisors of undergraduate psychology majors, who can assist advisees in using this information to discover the skills needed for specific occupations. This knowledge can help students identify the opportunities their schools offer to develop these skills (e.g., classes, internships, service learning, and extracurricular activities) and can also provide them with the motivation to take advantage of these opportunities because of their increased awareness of the importance of these skills for their future success.

An Example of How to Use the List

The description that follows was taken verbatim from the *DOT*. Notice how each sentence begins with a verb, thus identifying the skills school psychologists must possess to perform their job (e.g., evaluates needs, advises teachers, refers individuals to community agencies, counsels pupils, plans special placement, serves as a consultant, carries out research, and conducts diagnostic studies). Undergraduate psychology majors interested in becoming school psychologists should read this description carefully. Their next step should be to seek out opportunities to develop the skills identified in this description so they will be perceived as possessing the “right stuff” when they apply to school psychology graduate programs.

*School Psychologist*

_Evaluates needs of average, gifted, handicapped, and disturbed children within educational system or school, and plans and carries out programs to enable children to attain maximum achievement and adjustment: Conducts diagnostic studies to identify child's needs, limitations, and potentials, observing child in classroom and at play, studying school records, consulting with parents and school personnel, and administering and interpreting diagnostic findings. Plans special placement or other treatment programs. Counsels pupils individually and in groups, using psychodrama, play therapy, personal interviews, and other psychological methods to assist pupils to achieve personal, social, and emotional adjustment. Carries out research to aid in introduction of programs in schools to meet current psychological, educational, and sociological needs of children. Advises teachers and other school personnel on methods to enhance school and classroom atmosphere to provide motivating educational environment. Refers individuals to community agencies to secure medical, vocational, or social services for child or family. Participates in planning of remedial classes and testing programs designed to meet needs of students. Serves as consultant to school board, superintendent, administrative committees, and parent-teacher groups in matters involving psychological services within educational system or school._

**Occupations of Interest and Their URLs**

The following is a list of 130 occupations that psychology majors can pursue and the urls that will take them to the descriptions of these occupations that appear in the Information
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