



Resources for Our Majors: Psychological Science (PSYC) and Child & Adolescent Development (CHAD)



Get Involved!

Get Support!

Student Organizations



There are two Psychology student groups at CSUSM that work collaboratively. Together, the club officers organize social and professional development events:

- 1. Psychology Student Organization (PSO): Open to all PSYC and CHAD students interested in psychology.
- 2. **Psi Chi:** International Honor Society in Psychology, open to PSYC and CHAD majors who meet specific GPA requirements.

For meeting information, visit https://www.csusm.edu/psychology/psych_club

Research Assistant Positions in Faculty Labs

Being a Research Assistant (RA) in a faculty member's research lab is one of the best ways to get research and applied experience while in school – not to mention, it looks great on your resume and your applications to graduate school!

Although working as an RA in a research lab is a time intensive and demanding role that requires a high degree of responsibility and professionalism, it can be a great way to get a strong letter of recommendation or job reference while also working in a team, learning more about research methods, and building skills that can be applied to a variety of different careers.

Students can also get credit in exchange for working in a faculty member's lab by taking PSYC 498 (Independent Study) or PSYC 499 (Independent Research, which counts as a PSYC elective).

For RA position openings, visit https://www.csusm.edu/psychology/ra_labs

Psychology Student Research Conference

The Psychology Student Research Conference is held annually in the spring semester. This is a great opportunity for PSYC and CHAD students to learn about research, graduate school, and career opportunities, build their CV/resume, and have fun all at the same time. Registration is free and open to everyone!

For more information, visit https://www.csusm.edu/psychology/researchfair

Psychology Academic Resource Laboratory (PARL)

PARL is a resource for all undergraduate PSYC and CHAD students. PARL is a free resource that provides academic support to enhance:

- Quantitative and statistics skills
- Computing skills including support with SPSS Statistics software
- Writing skills
- Research methodology skills
- Understanding of biological bases of behavior and psychometrics

For hours and location, visit

https://www.csusm.edu/psychology/currentstudents/parl.html



Transfer students can obtain information about student orientation and articulation with community colleges for lower-division courses by visiting https://www.csusm.edu/psychology/transferstudents.html

For Advising support including career counseling, faculty advising, graduate school preparation, course approvals, and applying for graduation, visit https://www.csusm.edu/psychology/currentstudents/advisinginfo.html

Psychology Program Information

PSYC B.A. Program Info, https://www.csusm.edu/psychology/baprogram
CHAD B.A. Program Info, https://www.csusm.edu/chad

University Resources

Writing Center, https://www.csusm.edu/writingcenter
Student Health & Counseling Services, https://www.csusm.edu/shcs
Student Resources & Services, https://www.csusm.edu/students

