About the CUNY School of Professional Studies

- Began in 2003
- Part of the CUNY Graduate School and University Center
- Accredited by Middle States Commission on Higher Education
- Registered with the New York State of Education Department: Office of the Professions
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• CUNY SPS is home to:
  – 13 Master’s degree programs
  – 12 Bachelor’s degree programs
  – 3 Dual degree programs
  – 19 Certificate programs and Advanced Certificate programs

• Over 3,000 students are currently enrolled in degree programs.
MA in Psychology

- Launched in Spring 2016
- The only fully-online program of its kind at CUNY.
- Focus on degree completion and working adults
- Affordable and flexible
- Taught by academics and practitioners
- Part-time students welcome
MA in Psychology: Two Tracks

• **Industrial / Organizational Psychology**
  – The study of human behavior in organizations and in the workplace.

• **Developmental Psychology**
  – The study of human growth throughout the lifespan, from infancy through adulthood.
Who Should Apply?

1) People in the field who need to acquire specific, advanced knowledge and wish to obtain an educational credential.

2) Those who wish to prepare for a career in Developmental Psychology or Industrial/Organizational Psychology.

3) Those that wish to pursue a doctorate in these two areas (or beyond).
Our Curriculum

• We are a 12 course, 36 credit program.
• There are:
  – Core Courses (9 credits)
  – Research Courses (6 credits)
  – Capstone Courses (6 credits)
  – Specialization Courses (9 credits)
  – Electives Courses (6 credits)
Core Courses
3 of the following 5 courses

• Learning & Cognition
• Biological Foundations of Behavior
• Social Behavior
• Theories of Personality
• Psychopathology
Research and Capstone Courses

- **Research** (6 credits)
  - Advanced Research Methods
  - Advanced Statistics

- **Capstone** (6 credits)
  - Capstone Project Planning
  - Capstone Project
Specialization Courses

• Industrial / Organizational Psychology
  – Introduction to I/O Psychology
  – Organizational Development and Effectiveness
  – Performance Management & Motivation

• Developmental Psychology
  – Perspectives on Developmental Psychology
  – Child & Adolescent Development
  – Adult Development
Elective Courses

• **Industrial / Organizational Psychology**
  – Personnel Selection
  – Group Dynamics

• **Developmental Psychology**
  – Cognitive Development
  – Atypical Development
Examples of Career Opportunities

- **Human & Social Services**
  - Hospitals and School Settings
  - Operations Manager – Division of Early Childhood Education and Charter Schools
  - Community Integration Counselor
  - Child Development Specialist

- **Personnel & Training**
  - Human Resources
  - Employment /Talent Acquisition Specialist
  - Organizational Effectiveness Facilitator
  - Director, Organizational Development

- **Research & Data Analysis**
  - People Analytics
  - Senior Research Analyst
  - Workforce Surveys and Analytics
  - Manager, Worker Insights
  - Evaluator/Reviewer
  - Marketing and Market Research
Frequently Asked Questions

• Can I transfer credits to the new degree program?
• How long will it take to get my degree?
• Are there scholarships?
• Will this program prepare me for licensure?
• Is the program really online?
• How does online learning work?
Frequently Asked Questions

• What if I wasn’t a Psychology major?
• What if I don’t have the three pre-admission requirements completed?
  – Introduction to Psychology*
  – Statistics
  – Research Methods
Admissions

• Bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution
• Personal Statement
• CV or Resume
• Two letters of recommendation
  – Professional or Academic only
• Transcripts indicating a GPA of 3.0
  – If you have a lower GPA, please address this in your Personal Statement.
• Pre-admission courses:
  – Introduction to Psychology, Statistics, Research Methods
Applying to the MA Program

- The link is located on our program page
- http://sps.cuny.edu/psychapply
- Deadline: May 7, 2018
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