

# Getting in and Succeeding in Graduate School in Psychology

Friday afternoon at 4:15

Maryland 1 & 2

This panel will provide general information about graduate school and specific information about individual graduate programs to prospective and early-career graduate students, similar to that provided to prospective interns in the annual internship panel. This panel consists of faculty and graduate students from a variety of clinical psychology Ph.D. programs in the U.S. and Canada.

Panelists will share information about the graduate school application process, including how undergraduate students and other prospective applicants can (a) select a graduate degree and graduate program that meets their training and career goals, (b) best prepare themselves to be successful applicants to graduate programs, and (c) effectively navigate the application process. Panelists will also discuss how, once enrolled in graduate school, students can capitalize on the skills that got them there by focusing on their work ethic, love of learning, passion for research or practice, and channel those skills to build a vita and set of experiences that will prepare them for success at each future step of their graduate careers—course work, thesis, practicum, comprehensive examinations, and dissertation.

The panel will be followed by a question-and-answer session and a “graduate programs on parade” session, where representatives of graduate programs will be available to discuss their particular programs with interested applicants.

## **You will learn:**

How to engage in as an undergraduate student that will best prepare you for graduate school in psychology; and

How to select graduate programs, filing applications, completing a personal statement, and interviewing  
Strategies for surviving the first year in a graduate program