MEMBERSHIP OPEN TO ALL

The extent of activities and the frequency of meetings of these groups vary from semester to semester depending upon the time and commitment of the groups’ leaders and membership.

**Psychology Student Association (PSA)**

PSA is open to all Psychology majors. It is responsible for organizing a variety of activities, both educational and social, for students and faculty in the department. For instance, guest speakers are invited on topics of student interest; workshops are held on such subjects as psychology careers and applying to graduate school; field trips are planned and pizza parties are frequent. Watch for news of PSA events on banners and posters around the Psychology Building. Meetings are held on a weekly basis.

**Black Psychology Student Association**

The Black Psychology Student Association exists in order to provide a support network which primarily focuses on preparing students of African descent to become successful members of the psychological community. Watch for news of BPSA events on posters around the Psychology building.

**HFE Society Student Chapter**

The field of Human Factors/Ergonomics is the scientific discipline that attempts to find the best ways to design products, equipment, and systems so that people are maximally productive, satisfied, and safe. It is the science that brings together psychology and engineering design. The CSULB chapter is open to graduate and undergraduate students, providing the opportunity to enhance professional development, community service, and networking with other students, faculty, and professionals interested in human factors and ergonomics issues. Meetings are usually monthly.

http://csulbstudentlife.orgsync.com/org/hfes/home

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES TO WHICH STUDENTS MUST APPLY

**Psi Chi**

Psi Chi is the National Honor Society in Psychology. Membership is open to graduate and undergraduate students who major or minor in Psychology, have completed 12 units of Psychology, have a Psychology GPA of at least 3.4 and an overall GPA of at least 3.0. In addition, service to the local chapter is required. There is a one time fee of $60.00.

With PSA, Psi Chi sponsors various speakers, panels, and social events of interest to psychology students. Some are limited to Psi Chi members; others are held with PSA, including the weekly meetings. One of Psi Chi’s main goals is to help its members prepare for graduate school.

**Psychology Honors Program**

The Psychology department honors program provides intensive research and professional training in Psychology. Applications for the one and a half year program will be available each semester. For more information, students may contact Dr. Chi-Ah Chun via email at cchun@csulb.edu.

**Peer Advising**

Between fourteen and sixteen students are chosen each year to represent the department and provide planning assistance to their fellow students. Students commit to a year’s service and generally work in the peer advising office four to five hours a week, attend class once a week, and complete a special project relevant to their interests and department needs.

In order to apply, a student must have completed both Psychology 210 (Statistics), Psychology 220 (Research Methods) and Psy 301 (Psy as Discipline and Profession), as well as nine upper-division units prior to the start of participation in the Peer Advising program. In addition, a student must have an overall GPA of 2.75 or better. Students chosen as peer advisors earn six units of credit in Psychology 406 A and B over a two semester period. Students apply during the month before MyCSULB registration. Applications are available from the Peer Advising office, Psy 206.

The student organizations work together to plan activities for “Psych Day,” an annual event held during the spring semester to generate and foster student enthusiasm for Psychology.