

PSY 445
Occupational Outlook for Psychologists

Here's your chance to explore the internet with regard to the profession of psychology. The web site (listed below) is based on the *Occupational Outlook Handbook* and contains information on how officials from the U.S. Government view psychology (and hundreds of other professions).

The assignment:

- I. Access the following site on the internet: <http://www.bls.gov/>
- II. In the box next to "Search BLS.gov" (upper right side), type, **psychologists**
- III. Use the links to read the information provided to learn more about the different psychology professions. Answer the questions on page one *on these sheets*.
- IV. Using other sources of online and in-class information answer the questions on page two *on these sheets*.
- V. The assignment is due on Monday, **September 11, 2023**, at the beginning of class. This assignment is worth 15 points.

Answer the following questions or complete the following sentences:

1. How many people are working with a Psychology degree overall? _____
2. According to BLS, what do clinical psychologists do? _____

3. According to BLS, what do school psychologists do? _____

4. The largest employer of psychologists is: _____

5. Employment of psychologists is expected to grow _____ percent for all areas from 2021 to 2031.

6. How many new Psychologist jobs are expected through 2031? _____

7. In what setting do psychologists have the highest mean wages? _____

8. Discuss the job opportunities for people who have a master's degree in psychology.

9. Median annual earnings of wage and salary clinical, counseling, and school psychologists in May 2021 were \$ _____.

10. Briefly describe the employment and the mean wages of clinical, counseling, and school psychologists in Kentucky as compared to the rest of the United States.

For this part, you will need to use other means to discover the answers (i.e., they will not be in the *Occupational Outlook Handbook*).

11. Give names and telephone numbers for three Licensed Psychologists in Bowling Green.

12. Give names and telephone numbers for three Marriage and Family Therapists in Bowling Green.

13. Give names and telephone numbers for three Psychiatrists/Nurse Practitioners in Bowling Green.

14. Provide the educational requirements for two different types of mental health providers discussed in lecture.

15. Assume you had a friend who wanted counseling for a personal life problem and this friend asked you for recommendations. Please write your answer to your friend's request for recommendations below.