

Questions for Panel on Careers in Psychology from Nick Fortino

Here are the questions I asked the panelists. I didn't have to ask very many for them to share thoroughly.

- Please introduce yourself, describe your work, and talk about how this work is fulfilling to you.
- Please describe the education path you took to earn your degrees, and share any reflections about that experience (was it worth it? was it enjoyable? was it transformative? what did you discover about yourself? what did your internship look like? master's thesis? doctoral dissertation? did you have to take on debt? has repaying the debt been manageable? anything you feel is relevant to share will be valuable).
- I know students also really want to get a clearer sense of the lifestyle they'll be able to lead if they pursue a career in psychology. How much money can they expect to make? What kind of hours should they expect to work? What kind of job security do psychology careers tend to offer? What kind of benefits do psychology careers tend to offer? If your psychology expertise has led to other income generating activities (e.g., consulting, entrepreneurial endeavors, trainings, podcasts, YouTube channels), this is an opportunity to highlight those possibilities.
- After answering these three broad questions, students had the opportunity to approach the individual panel members to ask specific questions and make a connection.