

Fordham forum limned careers in psychology

On February 25, 2020, over 35 students filled Fordham-LC room 604, for the 30th annual Fordham Forum on Careers in Psychology. Eight experts gathered to address diverse aspects of an important question now faced by many students: *"How can a student best prepare for a career with a psychology major?"*

The session was welcomed by Professor **Selin Gulgoz**, who described the importance of career preparation while still a student. **Julianna K. Walchuk**, the President of Fordham-LC Psi Chi, distributed a practical new Checklist of all 35 graduate psychology programs in NYC. Professor **Harold Takooshian**, the moderator of this forum, noted that psychology is typically the most popular major on U.S. college campuses. Though fewer than 10 percent of these majors continue to a career within psychology, an undergraduate psychology major is known as excellent preparation for diverse careers in other fields—like business, medicine, law, education, and social work.

Claire P. Dunphy, a doctoral student in clinical psychology at Fordham-Rose Hill, detailed why and how to prepare for graduate school in psychology. **Bizu Solomon** of Fordham-LC Career Services described many free resources available to students in her office, and encouraged students to register soon with <https://app.joinhandshake.com>. Professor **Yi Ding** of the Fordham Graduate School of Education (GSE) described preparation for diverse careers in school psychology. Professor **Merle A. Keitel** of GSE described careers in counseling psychology. **Sertan Kabadayi**, the Chair for Marketing in Fordham Gabelli School of Business, described "Marketing as a career path" for psychology students. Professor **Lewis F. Schlossinger** of Fordham's Organizational Leadership program described ways to prepare for a career in management.

Just prior to this forum, **Kabeel Dosani** is a doctoral student in GSE who described her current work on "Combatting imposter syndrome in applying to graduate school."

The first Fordham-LC Forum on Careers in Psychology was offered back on April 26, 1982, with legendary Fordham Vice President **George J. McMahon, SJ**. This Forum was so popular that it has become an annual event each spring. This was the 30th annual Forum, organized by the Fordham-LC Psychology faculty in FCLC and GSE, and Psi Chi Honor Society, in cooperation with the Career Services office and Manhattan Psychological Association (www.mpapsych.org). For any details, contact the individual speaker below, or Fordham-LC Psi Chi at takoosh@aol.com.

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