What did I do with my Psychology major?

What is your primary discipline/field?

Social worker (clinical)

Was Psychology your undergraduate major?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

What degree is required (or most typical) for your job?

MA/MS

What is your primary work setting?

Hospital or medical school

In just a few words, how would you describe your job? What are the primary activities you engage in?

I work in the Emergency Department. I assist in crisis management, discharge planning, referrals, etc. as well as involuntary commitments. I also provide clinical supervision and do utilization review.

Can you guesstimate about what percentage of your work time you spend engaged in each of the following activities?

Research?	Teaching	Practice: Assessment	Practice: Therapy	Consultation or Administration
	20	10	20	50

What makes your field most unique from some of the other fields on the list above?

I get to work with people of all ages and walks of life. I am granted the opportunity to learn about many different aspects of health care, social work, and psychiatry. The utilization review piece is definitely different than most fields.

What other non-psychology-related activities does your job entail that you did not expect? For instance, does your job include accounting, personnel management, business administration, clerical work, or other activities?

Knowledge of health care terminology.

What is the BEST thing about your field? What would you tell a college student to encourage them to enter your field?

In social work in general, there are so many different opportunities. I've worked in DSS, forensic psych, and now health care.

What is your LEAST FAVORITE thing about your field? What would you tell a college student to DISCOURAGE them to enter?

We are not well paid and the job can be very stressful. Please know that even if you have a PhD in clinical psych an MD has more respect despite all of your training.

(Optional) What is your age?

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(Optional) If you would like students to contact you with questions, please list your email below

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