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?

Other (type below)

MSW

What is your primary work setting?

Other (please type below)

Home (contractor)

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

Currently, I direct a program for fathers who've committed domestic violence. My primary activities include recruiting participants, liaising with referral sources, training facilitators, revising our curriculum, facilitating and/or observing sessions, applying for funding, and managing our budget.

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
10	20	10	10	50

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

I think what makes social work so unique is the versatility of the degree. I can hold such a range of positions with this degree. I also think that social work's focus on social justice makes it different from other mental health-related fields like psychology or counseling.

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?

Budgeting, personnel management, court appearances and other legal matters

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

The opporunities I have with this degree are really only limited by my experience and interests. I have and can provided therapy to individuals and groups, delivered numerous training presentations to other professionals, applied for and managed large grants, supervised other social workers, etc.

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

It can be tireless. You're working WITH or FOR people all the time, and they're usually not happy or fortunate people. The systems within which social workers have to maneuver can be cumbersome and bureacratic. There's never enough money to do what your program/agency really needs to do.

(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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