What did I do with my Psychology major?

What is your primary discipline/field?

Developmental psychologist

Was Psychology your undergraduate major?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

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

Ph.D./Psy.D.

What is your primary work setting?

University

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

Research; research supervision; teaching (both formal and informal, including mentoring students and colleagues); administration

Also, outside of the formal aspects of the job at the university, there are professional responsibilities: journal reviews and editing; grant reviews; committee work

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
50	40			10

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

The mix of research and teaching at the undergraduate and graduate levels; the opportunity to choose topics to study

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?

Under research, there certainly are accounting and personnel management tasks. Under administration, there certainly is a fair amount of personnel management, business administration, etc., that is involved.

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

It's great fun! And it's a privilege to (a) carry out research on important topics; (b) teach graduate and undergraduate students (regardless of whether they do or do not go on in psychology); and (c) work individually with undergraduates, graduate students, postdocs, and faculty colleagues.

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

In order to do research at a research-oriented university, one is always involved in grant writing in order to (a) support the research effort and (b) provide financial support for students and assistants working with you. Grant writing is important, but not always fun!

(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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