

# BACHELOR OF PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE (HONOURS) (1905)

**Approved Abbreviation:** BPsySci(Hons)

**Western Sydney University Program Code:** 1905

**AQF Level:** 8

**CRICOS Code:** 107232F

This program applies to students who commenced in 2022 or later

Students should follow the program structure for the session start date relevant to the year they commenced.

For Commencement Year 2018 to 2021 - please refer to  
1860.1 Bachelor of Psychological Studies (Honours) (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1860.1>)

The Bachelor of Psychological Science (Honours) is an accredited fourth year Honours program in Psychology for students who have completed the accredited three-year undergraduate sequence in Psychology at Western Sydney University. This program is designed for those seeking to pursue training pathways that lead to registration as a psychologist; and progression into Higher Degree Research.

This one-year, 80 credit point, fee-paying program includes a 30 credit point research thesis and 50 credit points of course work.

Students who completed their three year undergraduate sequence at an institution other than Western Sydney University are eligible to apply for the program Graduate Diploma in Psychology (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/graduate-diploma-psychology/>).

## Study Mode

One year full-time or two years part-time.

## Program Advice

Program Advice (<https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/Psychology-Year4-ACA@westernsydney.edu.au>)

## Location

Campus	Attendance	Mode	Advice
Bankstown City Campus	Full Time	Internal	See above
Bankstown City Campus	Part Time	Internal	See above
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Full Time	Internal	See above
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Part Time	Internal	See above
Penrith Campus	Full Time	Internal	See above
Penrith Campus	Part Time	Internal	See above

## Accreditation

This Program is accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC) on the basis that it meets all the APAC Accreditation Standards (2019) for a fourth year sequence of study in psychology.

## Admission

### Admission 2024 and prior

Entry into the School's APAC-accredited Bachelor of Psychological Science (Honours) is limited to students who have completed the accredited three year undergraduate sequence in Psychology at Western Sydney University in the last 10 years.

In addition, students must have obtained an Average Admission Mark of 70+ in Level 2 and 3 Psychology subjects.

Entry into Honours is restricted by supervisory capacity. Limited places are available in this program and meeting the admission criteria does not guarantee entry.

Applications from Australian and New Zealand citizens and holders of permanent resident visas may be made via the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) or directly through the Western Portal. Use the links below to apply via UAC or Western Sydney University. Applications made directly to Western Sydney do not have an application fee.

<http://www.uac.edu.au/>  
<https://westernsydney.uac.edu.au/ws/>

Applicants who have undertaken studies overseas may have to provide proof of proficiency in English. Local applicants who are applying through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) will find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on the UAC website. Local applicants applying directly to the University should also use the information provided on the UAC website.

<http://www.uac.edu.au/>

All other International applicants must apply directly to the University via the International Office.

International students applying to the University through the International Office can find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on their website.

International Office (<http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/>)

Overseas qualifications must be deemed by the Australian Education International - National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition (AEI-NOOSR) to be equivalent to Australian qualifications in order to be considered by UAC and Western Sydney University.

### Admission from 2025

Entry into the Bachelor of Psychological Studies (Honours) is limited to students who have completed the accredited three year undergraduate sequence in Psychology at Western Sydney University in the last 10 years.

In addition, students must have obtained an Average Admission Mark of 75+ in core accredited Level 2 and 3 Psychology subjects.

**Important Note:** Entry is restricted by supervisory capacity. Western Sydney University cannot guarantee that places will be available, and meeting the admission criteria does not guarantee entry. No deferrals will be accepted for this program.

Applications from Australian and New Zealand citizens and holders of permanent resident visas may be made directly to Western Sydney University (no application fee applies).

<https://westernsydney.uac.edu.au/ws/>

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## Program Structure

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 80 credit points as per the recommended sequence below.

Please note: Students must enrol in BEHV 4004 Psychology Research Thesis and BEHV 4006 Research Methods Seminar in both Autumn and Spring sessions in order to receive final grades and credit points.

## Recommended Sequence

### Full-time start-year intake

Subject	Title	Credit Points
<b>Autumn</b>		
BEHV 4009	Advanced Topics in Contemporary Psychology	10
WELF 4002	Counselling and Consultation	10
BEHV 4006	Research Methods Seminar	10
BEHV 4004	Psychology Research Thesis	15
<b>Spring session</b>		
BEHV 4005	Theory and Practice of Psychological Assessment and Intervention	10
BEHV 4006	Research Methods Seminar	10
BEHV 4004	Psychology Research Thesis	15
<b>Total Credit Points</b>		<b>80</b>

### Part-time start-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
<b>Year 1</b>		
<b>Autumn session</b>		
WELF 4002	Counselling and Consultation	10
BEHV 4006	Research Methods Seminar	10
<b>Credit Points</b>		<b>20</b>
<b>Spring session</b>		
BEHV 4005	Theory and Practice of Psychological Assessment and Intervention	10
BEHV 4006	Research Methods Seminar	10
<b>Credit Points</b>		<b>20</b>
<b>Year 2</b>		
<b>Autumn session</b>		
BEHV 4009	Advanced Topics in Contemporary Psychology	10
BEHV 4004	Psychology Research Thesis	15
<b>Credit Points</b>		<b>25</b>