

Bachelor of **Psychology (Honours)**



Sunshine Coast, Semester 1 2022

Program structure

Introductory courses (4) 48 units

COU180 Therapeutic Communication Skills
PSY100 Introduction to Psychology A
PSY101 Introduction to Psychology B
PSY102 Current Directions in Psychology

Developing and Graduate courses (14) 168 units

PSY200 Research Methods in Psychology A
PSY201 Research Methods in Psychology B
PSY202 Physiological Psychology
PSY203 Introduction to Human Development
PSY204 Social Psychology
PSY205 Motivation and Emotion
PSY300 Advanced Methods in Psychology
PSY301 Cognitive and Perceptual Psychology
PSY302 Intercultural and Indigenous Psychologies
PSY303 Personality and Assessment
PSY304 Human Associative Learning
PSY305 Abnormal Psychology
PSY306 Psychology of Health and Wellbeing
PSY307 Adult Development and Ageing

Elective courses (6) 72 units

Select 6 elective courses from the undergraduate elective course options.

Honours

Coursework (4) 48 units

PSY400 Research Methods and Analysis 4
PSY401 Advanced Theoretical Issues in Psychology
PSY402 Professional Practice of Psychology
PSY403 Ethical and Professional Issues In Psychology

Dissertation (2) (48 units)

PSY408A Research Dissertation A
PSY408B Research Dissertation B

Note: Program structures are subject to change. Not all USC courses are available on every USC campus.

Total units: 384

Study sequence

This Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) recommended study sequence is for students commencing in the current semester.

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Year 1

Semester 1

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST)	UNITS	REQUISITES
PSY100 Introduction to Psychology A	• Semester 1	12	Anti: SCS101
PSY102 Current Directions in Psychology	• Semester 1, Semester 2	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AB101, AB314, AB315, AB315, UC104, AR111, AR302, AR374, AR364, AR405, XU301, UU301, UU302, XP601 or UP601 Co: PSY100 or PSY101
COU180 Therapeutic Communication Skills	• Semester 1	12	Anti: SCS180

PLUS select 1 elective course from the undergraduate elective course options.

Semester 2

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST)	UNITS	REQUISITES
PSY101 Introduction to Psychology B	• Semester 2	12	

PLUS select 3 elective courses from the undergraduate elective course options.

Year 2

Semester 1

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST)	UNITS	REQUISITES
PSY200 Research Methods in Psychology A	• Semester 1	12	Pre: PSY100 and PSY101
PSY202 Physiological Psychology	• Semester 1	12	Pre: PSY100 and PSY101
PSY203 Introduction to Human Development	• Semester 1	12	Pre: PSY100 and PSY101

PLUS select 1 elective course from the undergraduate elective course options.

Semester 2

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST)	UNITS	REQUISITES
PSY201 Research Methods in Psychology B	• Semester 2	12	Pre: PSY100 and PSY101

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PSY204 Social Psychology	• Semester 2	12	Pre: PSY100 and PSY101
PSY205 Motivation and Emotion	• Semester 2	12	Pre: PSY100 and PSY101

PLUS select 1 elective course from the undergraduate elective course options.

Year 3

Semester 1

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST)	UNITS	REQUISITES
PSY300 Advanced Methods in Psychology	• Semester 1	12	Pre: PSY200 and PSY201
PSY302 Intercultural and Indigenous Psychologies	• Semester 1	12	Pre: PSY200 and PSY201
PSY303 Personality and Assessment	• Semester 1	12	Pre: PSY200 and PSY201
PSY306 Psychology of Health and Wellbeing	• Semester 1	12	Pre: (PSY200 and PSY201) or (PSY200 and SCI110 and enrolled in Program AE304 or SE303)

Semester 2

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST)	UNITS	REQUISITES
PSY301 Cognitive and Perceptual Psychology	• Semester 2	12	Pre: PSY200 and PSY201
PSY304 Human Associative Learning	• Semester 2	12	Pre: (PSY200 and PSY201) or (PSY200 and SCI110 and enrolled in Program AE304 or SE303)
PSY305 Abnormal Psychology	• Semester 2	12	Pre: PSY200 and PSY201
PSY307 Adult Development and Ageing	• Semester 2	12	Pre: PSY200 and PSY201

Year 4

Semester 1

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST)	UNITS	REQUISITES
PSY400 Research Methods and Analysis 4	• Semester 1	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR403, AR405 or AR645

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PSY401 Advanced Theoretical Issues in Psychology	• Semester 1	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR403, AR405 or AR645
PSY408A Research Dissertation A	• Semester 1, Semester 2		

Semester 2

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (SUNSHINE COAST)	UNITS	REQUISITES
PSY402 Professional Practice of Psychology	• Semester 2	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR403, AR405 or AR645
PSY403 Ethical and Professional Issues In Psychology	• Semester 2	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR403, AR405 or AR645
PSY408B Research Dissertation B	• Semester 1, Semester 2	48	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR403 or AR405

Program requirements and notes

Program requirements

In order to graduate you must:

- Successfully complete 384 units as outlined in the Program Structure
- Entry to the fourth year of the Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) requires a grade point average (GPA) of 5.5 in the developing and graduate level (200/300 coded) PSY courses

Program notes

- A minimum GPA of 5.5 in the developing and graduate level (200/300 coded) PSY courses must be achieved at the end of third year for a student to be automatically allowed to continue to the fourth year honours component. Students who do not meet this requirement will be exited from the Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) into the Bachelor of Social Science (Psychology) with full credit for all studies successfully completed
- Completing this program within the specified (full-time) duration is based on studying 48 unit points per semester (normally 4 courses) and following the recommended study sequence
- The unit value of all courses is 12 units unless otherwise specified
- It is each student's responsibility to enrol correctly according to your course requisites, program rules and requirements and be aware of the academic calendar dates
- Courses within this program are assessed using a variety of assessment methods including essays, seminar presentations, reports, in-class tests and examinations. Not all courses will necessarily include all methods
- As part of your USC program, you may apply to Study Overseas to undertake courses with an overseas higher education provider
- Only a full-time study option is available to international students on a Student Visa
- Refer to the Managing your progression page for help in understanding your program structure, reviewing your progress and planning remaining courses.

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