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UniSA is placing psychology in the 21st century by providing students with the chance to learn about people and their real-life experiences.

We take a progressive approach to the study of psychology through a strong emphasis on applied psychology with clear career paths, backed up with a strong theoretical basis. All courses focus on developing both research and practical problem solving skills, including interpersonal skills and awareness, interviewing and data collection, critical analysis, and written and oral communication skills.

Psychology graduates have many career options to choose from, including working as clinical or organisational psychologists, researchers, youth workers, family and disability support workers, project officers, policy development officers and are sought for a range of roles in the human services.

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Bachelor of Psychological Science

Open Day 2009

City West Campus: Sunday 16 August, 70 North Terrace, Adelaide
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Career Information Session 2009

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Program Information Session 2009

Magill Campus: Monday 30 November

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SATAC code	444211
UniSA program code	MBPU
CRICOS code (international students only)	036236E
TER (February 2009 cut-off)	60.2
Program length	3 years
Prerequisites	None
Assumed knowledge	None
Home campus	Magill
Accepts Special Entry (STAT)	Yes
External study available	No
Part-time study available	Yes
TAFE credit available	Yes
Honours study available	No
Program fees	Commonwealth supported
Program fees (international students only)	(A\$) 17,500 per annum
Scholarships available	unisa.edu.au/scholarship

Program overview

Psychology is a science that studies human and animal behaviour. Psychology provides fascinating study opportunities and is commonly enjoyed by people who want to understand more about the nature of such behaviour and social interactions. The Bachelor of Psychological Science provides students with an understanding of the theoretical basis of psychology, critical and analytical thinking skills, and the ability to design, conduct and evaluate research projects.

This program is the first step in becoming a professional psychologist. To become a practising or research psychologist, students must

progress to Honours level study in the fourth year, followed by further postgraduate study in Psychology, either a Master of Psychology or PhD. The Master of Psychology focuses on professional training and includes a substantial component of supervised experience in psychological agencies.

What will I study?

The Bachelor of Psychological Science consists of professional accredited psychology courses as well as courses from other discipline areas which enable students to acquire knowledge and skills beyond those gained through their specialist study of psychology.

Students must complete a minimum of 12 courses in psychology. This includes compulsory courses at first and second year level, and the opportunity to choose a range of psychology electives in third year such as Psychology and Indigenous Australians and Health Psychology.

Students choose their own six-course sub-major, commencing in the first year of the program. Students complement their psychology studies by selecting their sub-major from a large range available in the University including Human Resource Management, Sport and Play Studies, International Studies, Languages, Public Relations, Communication Studies and others.

The School now also offers a new sub-major in Counselling and Interpersonal Skills which provides practical skills in research, working with communities and Counselling knowledge.

Students of psychology at UniSA are involved in research activities and projects, data analysis and laboratory experiments, all of which provide an understanding of psychology applied to real-world problems. A number of psychology students choose to undertake a part of their program at one of the overseas universities with which UniSA has an exchange program. The students who have participated in this program in the past have commented about the positive experience and enrichment that this opportunity has afforded them.

Our students are supported during their first year at university

with assistance from UniSA mentors. Later in the program, students have the opportunity to become a mentor too, and to take part in other volunteer work in the community.

What does it take?

An interest in human behaviour often forms the basis for pursuing studies in psychology. Professional psychologists must have the ability to listen, analyse and be sympathetic towards aspects of human behaviour. They should also possess clear, logical, critical thinking skills, and excellent verbal and written communication abilities.

Who will employ me?

Psychology studies provide graduates with key strengths in data analysis, critical thinking, and clear and succinct report writing skills. UniSA graduates often find jobs in youth work, advertising and marketing, policy and research, consumer research, counselling, industrial relations, human resources, program coordination and welfare. Specific jobs may include disability support officer, community development officer, human resources manager, training officer, crime prevention officer, behavioural ecologist, and drug/alcohol case worker.

The program is accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council. To apply to register to practise as a psychologist in South Australia, students also need to complete Honours and a two-year Master of Psychology.

Professional recognition

The program is accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council. Graduates will have completed an APAC

accredited undergraduate sequence which will allow them to go on to further study in psychology to satisfy the requirements for registration as a psychologist and eligibility for membership of the Australian Psychological Society.

Program requirements

FIRST YEAR

First Half

Psychology 1A

Sub-major 1

Indigenous Australians:

Culture and Colonisation

Communication Studies

Elective 1

Second Half

Psychology 1B

Elective 1

Sub-major 2

Communication Studies

Elective 2

SECOND YEAR

First Half

Developmental Psychology

Sub-major 3

Clinical and Abnormal

Psychology

Introductory Research

Methods

Second Half

Sub-major 4

Cognitive Psychology

Biological and Learning

Psychology

Social and Community

Psychology

THIRD YEAR

First Half

Psychology Elective 1

Elective 2

Sub-major 5

Psychology Elective 2

Second Half

Sub-major 6

Elective 3

Psychology Elective 3

Psychology Elective 4



Kiara Willis

Bachelor of Psychological Science,
Bachelor of Psychology (Honours)

'I have always wanted to help people and felt that psychology would enable me to do this. I am interested in human behaviour and this program seemed a perfect way to pursue my interests whilst leading on to a career I will enjoy.

The degree also seemed more flexible and incorporated many different areas of study in comparison to what the other universities offered.

UniSA provides a supportive environment in which to study. The staff members are approachable, understanding and willing to help.

I also loved Magill campus and the atmosphere there. It is easy to find your way around, the scenery is beautiful and it has the perfect atmosphere in which to study but also to take a break as well.'

Bachelor of Psychology (Honours)

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SATAC code	444221
UniSA program code	MHPU
CRICOS code	
(international students only)	036237D
TER (February 2009 cut-off)	90.15
Program length	4 years
Prerequisites	None
Assumed knowledge	None
Home campus	Magill
Accepts Special Entry (STAT)	Yes
External study available	No
Part-time study available	Yes
TAFE credit available	Yes
Program fees	Commonwealth supported
Program fees	
(international students only)	(A\$) 17,500 per annum
Scholarships available	unisa.edu.au/scholarship

Program overview

The Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) provides students with a single integrated four-year program where they develop advanced knowledge and skills in psychology. Students graduate with an Honours degree, which is the necessary preparation for entry into further training for professional practice in psychology.

To become a professional practising or research psychologist, students must continue study and complete a two-year Master of Psychology or a PhD in Psychology.

What will I study?

The first three years of the program provide a broad foundation in the discipline of psychology. Students are introduced to important theoretical concepts and issues, the nature of research methodology in psychology, and real-world applications of these psychological concepts. Students can also supplement their psychology training by choosing a sub-major in counselling and interpersonal skills.

In the fourth year, students enter either the Honours stream or the Pass stream depending on their progress and complete a research project (thesis) and study several applied topics in

depth. Students must achieve the prescribed minimum grade point average in second and third years as a Special Requirement for entry to the Honours stream. On completion of the Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) students will be eligible to apply for entry into further training for professional practice or research in psychology.

What does it take?

An interest in human behaviour often forms the basis for pursuing psychology studies. Psychologists must have the ability to listen and analyse and be sympathetic towards aspects of human behaviour. They also need to possess clear, logical, critical thinking ability and excellent verbal and written communication skills.

Who will employ me?

An Honours degree in psychology enables graduates to apply for postgraduate coursework psychology programs leading to registration as a professional psychologist. Alternatively, students may choose to undertake a higher degree by research such as a PhD.

Psychology Honours graduates are also highly attractive to employers because of their advanced skills in research, data analysis, critical thinking and report writing. Hence, graduates gain employment in a range of areas, including human service occupations, research organisations, or find work as community workers or project officers.

Professional recognition

The program is accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council. On completion of the Bachelor of

Psychology (Honours) program and the Bachelor of Psychology Pass stream, graduates will have met the academic requirements for associate membership of the Australian Psychological Society and will have completed the four years of academic study required for further training towards eligibility for registration as a psychologist in South Australia.

Program requirements

FIRST YEAR

First Half

Psychology 1A

Sub-major 1

Communication Studies

Elective 1

Indigenous Australians:

Culture and Colonisation

Second Half

Psychology 1B

Sub-major 2

Communication Studies

Elective 2

Elective 1

SECOND YEAR

First Half

Developmental Psychology

Sub-major 3

Clinical and Abnormal Psychology

Introductory Research Methods

Second Half

Sub-major 4

Social and Community

Psychology

Biological and Learning

Psychology

Cognitive Psychology

THIRD YEAR

First Half

Advanced Research Methods

Sub-major 5

Psychology Elective 1

Elective 2

Second Half

Sub-major 6

Elective 3

Introduction to Psychological

Assessment

Psychology Elective 2

**FOURTH YEAR
HONOURS STREAM**

First Half

Psychology Research
Methods

Psychology Honours
Research Project 1

Psychology Level 4 Course

Second Half

Psychology Honours
Research Project 2

Psychology Level 4 Course

Psychology Level 4 Course

PASS STREAM

First Half

Psychology Research
Methods

Psychology Supervised
Research Project 1

Psychology Level 4 Course

Psychology Level 4 Course

Second Half

Psychology Supervised
Research Project 2

Psychology Level 4 Course

Psychology Level 4 Course



Louise Williams

**Bachelor of Psychology,
Bachelor of Psychology (Honours),
PhD Social Science (Psychology)**

'I chose to study at UniSA because of the wide range of areas that the psychology degree covers. I wanted my understanding of this field to be broad so my future career choices would be well informed.

To say you are studying psychology is a valuable asset to an employer as they value the critical and analytical skills that you develop from the start of the degree.

The quality of the teaching staff at UniSA is outstanding. Lecturers, tutors and course coordinators have been passionate and enthusiastic.

The highlight of my degree has been the package as a whole - the degree itself, Magill campus and the facilities. UniSA is a modern university that knows what students need to become successful in their field.'





Indigenous Student Services Building D

Bachelor of Social Science (Human Services), Bachelor of Psychological Science

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Career Information Session 2009

Magill Campus: Tuesday 8 September

Program Information Sessions 2009

Magill Campus: Monday 30 November & Thursday 3 December
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SATAC code	444241
UniSA program code	MBSP
CRICOS code	
(international students only)	055257J
TER (February 2009 cut-off)	60.35
Program length	4 years
Prerequisites	None
Assumed knowledge	None
Home campus	Magill
Accepts Special Entry (STAT)	Yes
External study available	Partial
Part-time study available	Yes
TAFE credit available	Yes
Honours study available	Yes
Program fees	Commonwealth supported
Program fees (international students only)	(A\$) 17,500 per annum
Scholarships available	unisa.edu.au/scholarship

Program overview

This double degree provides integrated studies in psychology and human services, offering a balance of courses in behavioural and social sciences, the understanding of human behaviour, critical and analytical skills, research and data analysis skills, practice skills, project management skills and social policy. This program prepares graduates to be effective human service professionals with a strong understanding of psychology and, on completion, students will be able to:

- » work in a range of challenging human services careers
- » apply psychological knowledge about individuals and social contexts to their work

- » develop further as informed and skilled human services professionals.

What will I study?

This unique program offers a combination of courses from Psychology and Social Science (Human Services), including two supervised field education placements. The combination of these two areas of study greatly enhances the employability of graduates in a richly diverse, complex and dynamic field.

In the final year of the program students undertake two field placements of 20 days and 40 days respectively, supervised by field staff and arranged, monitored and assessed by

UniSA staff. The field education courses are invaluable, providing an opportunity for students to engage in professional practice. Many students are offered employment by the agencies in which they do their placements.

Please note

Prior to placement, all students are required to undertake training on child-safe environments and provide evidence of a current police check. Some field education placements may require students to hold a current drivers licence and recognised First Aid Certificate.

What does it take?

This program is ideally suited for students who have an interest in:

- » understanding human behaviour
- » understanding how social contexts shape human behaviour
- » managing themselves and their own identities
- » managing projects
- » the legal environment
- » social policy development and implementation
- » thinking critically and problem solving
- » working practically and professionally
- » working with people to help them solve problems.

Who will employ me?

The combination of psychological understanding and human service expertise uniquely prepares graduates for a broad range of positions in human service project management and research, and in practice areas such as youth work, family support work, community development, case management, court liaison, domestic violence work, refugee resettlement, policy development and counselling.

Graduates of the double degree will be eligible for all of the employment options open to graduates of both social science (human services) and undergraduate psychology degrees. The combination of human service and comprehensive psychology knowledge with a strong research orientation further enhances the attractiveness of graduates to a wide range of human service employers.

Professional recognition

Australian Psychology Accreditation Council and Australian Institute of Welfare and Community Workers accreditation. Graduates will have completed an APAC accredited undergraduate sequence which will allow them to go on to further study in psychology to satisfy the requirements for registration as a psychologist and eligibility for membership of the Australian Psychological Society. Graduates will be eligible for full membership of the Australian Institute of Welfare and Community Workers.

Honours

Based on academic merit, graduates of this program will be eligible to apply for admission to the honours degree program.

Program requirements**FIRST YEAR****First Half**

Human Service Provision

Sociology 1

Psychology 1A

Communication: Rhetoric
and Reasoning L**Second Half**

Group Work

Governance and Citizenship
in Australia

Psychology 1B

Ethics and Human Rights**SECOND YEAR****First Half**

Political Economy and
Social Policy

Human Service Interviews

Developmental Psychology

Introductory Research Methods**Second Half**

Australian Social Policy

Human Service Workers
and the Law

Cognitive Psychology

Social and Community

Psychology**THIRD YEAR****First Half**

Managing Individualised
Service Delivery

Human Service Intervention

Advanced Research Methods

Clinical and Abnormal
Psychology**Second Half**

Working with Community

Human Service Project

Management

Biological and Learning

Psychology

Psychology Elective 1**FOURTH YEAR****First Half**

Managing Professional Practice

Human Service Field

Education A

Psychology Elective 2

Psychology Elective 3**Second Half**

Human Service Field

Education B

Indigenous Australians and
the Human Services

Psychology Elective 4

Rochelle Thiele

**Bachelor of Social Science (Human Services),
Bachelor of Psychological Science**

‘When I finished high school I tossed between two fields to enter: psychology or human services. This degree has given me a taste of both and in the future I hope to work with domestic violence survivors or with Indigenous Australians.

I have been offered some amazing opportunities such as studying in Sweden for a year on a university exchange program.

This was one of the best experiences I have ever had and has left a lasting impression on how I view the world. I was also taught to think outside the square, to view the world from different cultural perspectives and to appreciate variations in thought patterns and ways of life.’

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Bachelor of Laws, Bachelor of Psychological Science

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Career Information Session 2009

Magill Campus: Tuesday 8 September
 City West Campus: Monday 21 September

Program Information Sessions 2009

Magill Campus: Tuesday 1 December
 City West Campus: Wednesday 2 December
unisa.edu.au/infosessions (registration essential)

SATAC code	424471
UniSA program code	DBLD
CRICOS code	
(international students only)	060782A
TER (February 2009 cut-off)	90.3
Program length	5 years
Prerequisites	None
Assumed knowledge	None
Home campus	City West
Accepts Special Entry (STAT)	Yes
External study available	No
Part-time study available	Yes
TAFE credit available	Yes
Honours study available	Yes
Program fees	Commonwealth supported
Program fees	
(international students only)	(A\$) 16,800 per annum
Scholarships available	unisa.edu.au/scholarship

Program overview

Students can complete a law degree in conjunction with their Psychological Science degree. The double degree takes five standard years to complete and includes 24 courses from the law program and 16 courses from the Psychological Science program (40 courses totalling 180 units). This is the standard study schedule for students enrolled in two semesters per year. A unique trimester system is available for all law courses and this option reduces the time taken to complete the degree.

Honours

Eligible students may be invited to undertake Honours prior to

their final year of study. The Bachelor of Laws (with Honours) will require students to gain a GPA of not less than 5 and completion of an Honours thesis of approximately 9,000 words.

Professional recognition

This degree covers in a comprehensive way the academic requirements for admission to practise law. Students seeking admission to practise are required to complete an approved practical legal training (PLT) program, the Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice offered by The Law Society of South Australia. The GDLP is a 12 month course commencing in January and July of each year. It is expected that

students will complete the law degree before commencing the GDLP. Students seeking admission to practise in other Australian jurisdictions should apply to the appropriate admitting authority. The professional recognition for Psychological Science can be found in schedules for the single degree.

Program requirements

FIRST YEAR

Contracts A
 Torts A
 Legal Institutions and Methods
 Law, Society and Justice
 Contracts B
 Torts B
 Legal Research and Writing
 Property Law: General
 Australian Federal
 Constitutional Law
 Real Property Law
 Fundamentals of Criminal Law
 Jurisprudence: Theories of Law

SECOND YEAR

Psychology 1A
 Indigenous Australians:
 Culture and Colonisation
 Introductory Research Methods
 Developmental Psychology
 Psychology 1B
 Cognitive Psychology
 Community Foundations
 Team and Project Skills

THIRD YEAR

Clinical and Abnormal Psychology
 Advanced Research Methods
 Introduction to Forensic
 Psychology
 Psychology Elective
 Biological and Learning
 Psychology
 Social and Community
 Psychology
 Work and Organisational
 Psychology
 Psychology Elective

FOURTH YEAR

Criminal Responsibility
 Law of Trusts
 Corporate Law: General
 Principles of Equity
 Civil Procedure/Law Elective
 Evidence/Law Elective
 Professional Conduct/Law Elective
 Corporate Law: Finance
 and Governance

FIFTH YEAR

Elective/Laws Honours Thesis 1
 Elective/Laws Honours Thesis 2
 Law Elective
 Psychology Elective



Entry requirements

For Undergraduate Bachelor Degrees and Associate Degrees

Applicants are required to have one of the following qualifications:

- » Qualified for SACE; and
 - Recorded achievement in five SACE subjects taken at stage 2 level; and
 - Included at least four Stage 2 subjects which are approved Higher Education Selection Subjects (HESS); and
 - Obtained a competitive TER
- » Completed interstate or overseas qualifications that the University considers equivalent to the SACE
- » Completed the International Baccalaureate Diploma
- » Completed or partly completed a recognised higher education program at a recognised higher education institution
- » Completed at least four Open Universities Australia (OUA) courses at the appropriate level
- » Completed an award from TAFE or from another registered training organisation at AQF Certificate IV or above

- » Qualified for Special Entry and completed the Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT). A personal competencies statement and/or employment experience may also be considered
- » Completed the University Foundation Studies program.

Please note that some programs have prerequisites. Applicants should check all entry requirements before applying. For some programs, applicants may also be required to attend an interview or present a folio.

For more information on entry requirements, visit unisa.edu.au/future

Equity and Special Access

UniSA offers various programs and services to assist rural and/or socio-economically disadvantaged students, Indigenous Australians and people with a disability to apply to UniSA.

For more information, contact (08) 8302 2376 or 1300 UNINOW or email study@unisa.edu.au

USANet Special Access Scheme

The USANET Special Access Scheme is an equity initiative established to increase access to UniSA for school leavers who may have been educationally disadvantaged. USANET offers bonus points and support services to encourage students to enrol and succeed in undergraduate programs at UniSA.

Students will be automatically eligible for USANET if they have attended a school recognised by UniSA as either significantly disadvantaged, or if they are rural or isolated or students who are on the School Card (or state equivalent) and/or Youth Allowance attending any other school in Australia. To download an application form, go to unisa.edu.au/usanet/apply.asp

The completed form needs to include your SATAC application number, the school stamp and be verified by the school principal or delegate.

For more information, contact Future Student Enquiries, phone (08) 8302 2376 or 1300 UNINOW (local call cost) or email study@unisa.edu.au

Student contributions

Student contributions are the amount you pay towards the cost of your program. The University determines the amount that you contribute within a range set by the Australian Government. The contribution that applies depends on which courses you choose to study and the contribution band in which those courses are classified. The amount of your student contribution also depends on the unit value of your courses of study (the equivalent full-time student load (EFTSL) value of the course).

As per the Australian Government guidelines, the student contribution amounts for 2009 are:

Band	Fields of study	Student contribution
National priorities	Nursing, Education	A\$4,162
Band 1	Humanities, behavioural science, social studies, foreign languages, visual and performing arts	A\$5,201
Band 2	Mathematics, statistics, computing, built environment, health, engineering, science, surveying, agriculture	A\$7,412
Band 3	Law, accounting, commerce, administration, economics, dentistry, medicine, veterinary science	A\$8,677

Note: these amounts are for 1 EFTSL in 2009. The student contribution amounts for 2010 will be advised by the Federal Government in October 2009, and these will be available to view via unisa.edu.au/future/fees at that time.



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