



Psychology study guide

Course options and
career opportunities

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Explore human nature

What makes us tick? Uncover the secrets to the human brain in order to understand what motivates actions and behaviours. Receive training at Swinburne Psychology Clinic, the largest university psychology clinic in Australia, and combine theory with practical skills. Graduate ready for a range of rewarding careers, not just in clinical practice and counselling, but also in human resources, marketing, journalism, policy development and more.



Samantha
Bachelor of Health Science majoring in psychology and forensic science

Fascination for forensics

For Samantha, taking high school biology and reading true crime sparked her interest in forensics. Passionate about both psychology and biology, particularly the workings of the human brain, Samantha was disappointed to think she could only choose one area for undergraduate study.

"Most universities offer forensic science or forensic psychology only at a postgraduate level. So, when I heard about this course at Swinburne, I was thrilled!"

After graduating from her 'perfect combo' course, Samantha plans to gain industry experience before returning to Swinburne to undertake the integrated PhD program.

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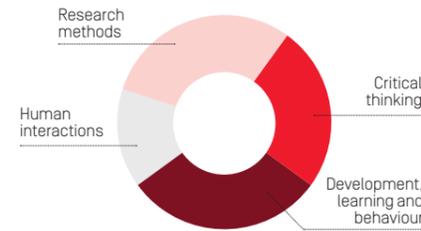
I want to learn

About how people think, feel, and behave

Study

Psychology

To learn about



With a degree

- Bachelor of Psychology (Honours)**
- Bachelor of Psychological Sciences**
- Bachelor of Psychological Sciences – online**

Pathway to a degree:

Diploma of Health Science (UniLink)

To work in

- Community services and counselling
- Disability services
- Education support services
- Research

Postgraduate studies

- Master of Psychology (Clinical Psychology)**
- Doctor of Psychology (Clinical and Forensic Psychology)**
- Doctor of Philosophy (Clinical Psychology)**

To become

- A generalist psychologist
- A clinical psychologist, following further training
- A clinical and forensic psychologist, following further training

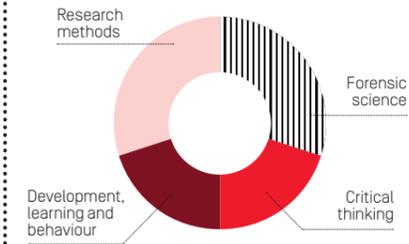
I want to learn

How psychology relates to law, crime and offenders

Study

Psychology and forensic science

To learn about



With a degree

- Bachelor of Health Science (Professional)** with a major in psychology and forensic science
- Bachelor of Health Science** with a major in psychology and forensic science
- Bachelor of Psychological Sciences/ Bachelor of Criminal Justice and Criminology**
- Bachelor of Health Science/Bachelor of Business** with a major in psychology and forensic science
- Bachelor of Health Science/Bachelor of Media and Communication** with a major in psychology and forensic science
- Bachelor of Health Science/Bachelor of Science** with a major in psychology and forensic science

Pathway to a degree:

Diploma of Health Science (UniLink)

To work in

- Community services and counselling
- Disability services
- Corrections services
- Child protection and youth services

Postgraduate studies

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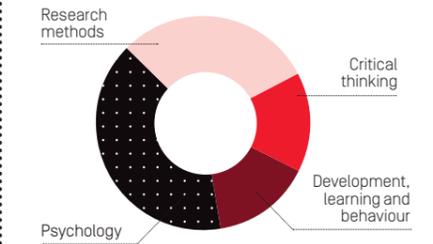
I want to learn

About the link between brain and behavior

Study

Psychology and psychophysiology

To learn about



With a degree

- Bachelor of Health Science (Professional)** with a major in psychology and psychophysiology
- Bachelor of Health Science** with a major in psychology and psychophysiology
- Bachelor of Health Science/Bachelor of Business** with a major in psychology and psychophysiology
- Bachelor of Health Science/Bachelor of Media and Communication** with a major in psychology and psychophysiology

Pathway to a degree:

Diploma of Health Science (UniLink)

To work in

- Community services and counselling
- Biomedical and health industries
- Hospital science
- Research

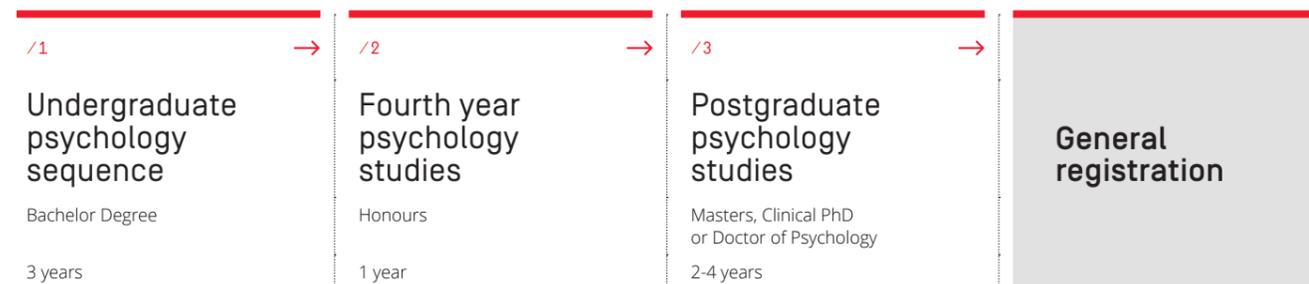
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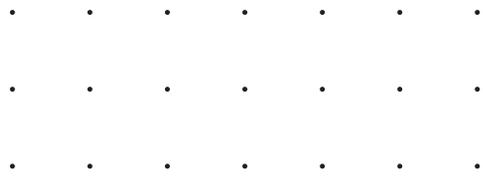
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Steps to becoming a registered psychologist





Your next gen_now upgrades

Guaranteed real industry experience

At Swinburne, your education is more than reading; with our Work Integrated Learning program, it's doing. Start building your résumé with placements, internships and industry-linked projects while you study. Real industry experience is guaranteed in all our bachelor degrees that commence in 2021 and beyond.

Professional degrees

More than a standard bachelor degree, a Professional Degree is a premium university experience you'll graduate from having completed a 12-month full-time work placement. Not only will you apply your knowledge in the workplace, you'll be paid award rates and receive academic credit.

Double degrees

Double degrees are a great way to broaden your study experience and are highly respected by employers. They combine two areas of study and, on completion, you'll be awarded two degrees. A double degree is generally only one year longer than a single degree.

Consider combining your psychology degree with a degree in another study area by studying:

- Bachelor of Health Science/
Bachelor of Business
- Bachelor of Health Science/
Bachelor of Media and Communication
- Bachelor of Health Science/
Bachelor of Science
- Bachelor of Psychological Sciences/
Bachelor of Criminal Justice and Criminology

Pathways to a degree

UniLink diplomas

UniLink diplomas are equivalent to the first year of university and can provide a pathway to the second year of a related bachelor degree.

These courses are an option for students who miss direct entry to a degree or who would benefit from a more supportive style of learning.

Vocational education

Diplomas and certificates are vocational qualifications that provide practical teaching and skills for work. A vocational qualification could prepare you for your first job, help you excel in your current job or take the first step in a career change.

Successful completion of a vocational qualification may also allow you to progress to another qualification with advanced standing.

Scholarships

The Vice-Chancellor's Excellence Scholarship is awarded to students in recognition of academic excellence. Recipients will receive \$5000 per annum for the normal duration of their chosen degree, plus a one-off payment of \$2000 towards an international study experience*.

Swinburne also offers scholarships to students from indigenous backgrounds, students suffering from financial hardship and students who have relocated from regional areas to study.

For a full list of scholarships, including value and eligibility criteria, visit swinburne.edu.au/scholarships

*International study experiences are dependent on government travel guidelines.

