

Bachelor of Psychology (Honours)

Template Course Rule – Semester 1 entry

This **suggested** study plan must be read in conjunction with the Course Rule for the Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) degree: <http://www.flinders.edu.au/courses/rules/undergrad/bpsy.cfm>

Students undertake

- a Major Sequence in Psychology, as set out below
- two first year topics from a major sequence in the Bachelor of Behavioural Science (Psychology)
- *plus* elective topics to make a total of 144 units. Elective topics may be selected from any offered by the University, provided entry and course requirements are met.

Within the 144 units at least 27 units but no more than 45 units of year 1 topics must be included. Not all topics in Psychology or the other disciplines are necessarily available in a given year.

Year 1	Semester 1	PSYC1101 Psychology 1A	PSYC1106 Research Methods 1	2 nd Major Topic (Year 1) Check 2 nd Major rule	Elective
	Semester 2	PSYC1102 Psychology 1B	2 nd Major Topic (Year 1) Check 2 nd Major rule	Elective	Elective
Year 2	Semester 1	PSYC2018 Research Methods 2	PSYC2020 Cognition and Learning	Elective	Elective
	Semester 2	PSYC2019 Personality and Social Psychology	PSYC2021 Human Development	PSYC2022 Psychological Assessment and Measurement	Elective
Year 3	Semester 1	PSYC3011 Ethics and Professional Practice in Psychology	PSYC3012 Interviewing and Counselling	PSYC3xxx (PSYC Option)	Elective [or PSYC3xxx Option]
	Semester 2	PSYC3007 Research Methods 3	PSYC3xxx (PSYC Option)	PSYC3xxx (PSYC Option) [or Elective]	Elective [or PSYC3xxx Option]

The topics in the purple cells are the core Psychology topics that you need to take each year. The topics in the orange and yellow cells are switchable depending on how they fit with the course rule and timetable availability.

For the first three years, the major sequence in **Psychology** is 63 units (11 core PSYC topics and 3 PSYC3xxx option topics). The topics shaded in **purple** above are **Core Psychology topics** for the Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) for years 1, 2 and 3. In year three an additional 13.5 units (three topics - shaded in **yellow**) of Year 3 Psychology and elective topics chosen from the following list:

- [PSYC3003](#) Introduction to Clinical Psychology (4.5 units) **Semester 1**
- [PSYC3004](#) Advanced Social Psychology (4.5 units) **Semester 2**
- [PSYC3008](#) Applied Cognitive Psychology (4.5 units) **Semester 2**
- [PSYC3009](#) Lifespan Development in Cultural Perspective (4.5 units) **Semester 1**
- [PSYC3010](#) Mind Brain and Behaviour (4.5 units) **Semester 1**
- [PSYC3236](#) Forensic Psychology: Legal and Clinical (4.5 units) **Semester 2**

Students could potentially elect to take up to five Year 3 Psychology option topics in their third year of study if they wish, by taking extra PSYC3xxx option topics as electives. Part-time students with careful planning can do all six PSYC3xxx option topics.

In order to progress to the third year of the Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) program a student must normally have achieved a GPA of 5 (an average grade of CR) in all Second Year Psychology topics attempted. Failure to achieve the required GPA may constitute prima facie evidence of unsatisfactory progress for the purposes of the University's Policy on Student Progress.

In order to progress to the fourth year of the Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) program a student must normally have achieved a GPA of 5.25 in all Third Year Psychology topics attempted. Students who fail to achieve the required GPA or choose not to continue to the fourth year of the program may apply to graduate with the Bachelor of Psychological Science.

Students cannot proceed to any topics in the fourth year unless they have completed 108 units (24 topics) constituting the requirements for the first three years as outlined on the previous page.

Also note that the fourth year can only be started in semester one, there is no mid-year commencement. The fourth year can be undertaken full-time or part-time (coursework [PSYC7056A, PSYC7056B, PSYC7006, PSYC7007] in the first year, with the thesis [PSYC7002A, PSYC7002B] in the second year).

Year 4 (Honours year)	Semester 1	PSYC7002A Psychology Honours Thesis	PSYC7056A Research and Practice in Psychology Part 1	PSYC7006 Contemporary Issues in Psychology
	Semester 2	PSYC7002B Psychology Honours Thesis	PSYC7056B Research and Practice in Psychology Part 2	PSYC7007 Applications of Psychology

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