

PSYCHOLOGICAL STUDIES, MAJOR (0029)

Western Sydney University Major Code: 0029

Previous Code: M1110.1

Available to students in other Western Sydney University

Programs: Yes. Check that your program has the available credit points required to complete the subjects in this field of study. Any requisite requirements must also be met. Consult your Program Advisor for further advice.

The Psychological Studies major comprises subjects in the discipline of psychology that focus on the field of inquiry that uses scientific techniques and methods to understand and explain behaviour and experience. Areas of study include: the brain and behaviour, learning, motivation and emotion, social psychology, lifespan development, perception, and cognitive processes. A Psychological Studies major does not meet APAC requirements for an accredited sequence in Psychology. Students wishing to enrol in an accredited Psychology sequence should complete the Psychology major of 160 credit points.

Location

Campus	Mode	Advice
Bankstown Campus	Internal	enquiriesHCA@uws.edu.au
Bankstown City Campus (from 2023)	Internal	enquiriesHCA@uws.edu.au
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Internal	enquiriesHCA@uws.edu.au
Penrith Campus	Internal	enquiriesHCA@uws.edu.au

Major Structure

Students must successfully complete 80 credit points from the subjects below with no less than three Level 3 subjects.

Complete the following two compulsory subjects.

Subject	Title	Credit Points
BEHV 1018	Psychology: Human Behaviour	10
BEHV 1016	Psychology: Behavioural Science	10
Total Credit Points		20

Students must also complete 60 credit points from the Level 2/3 subject pools below, with no less than three subjects at Level 3.

Subject	Title	Credit Points
Level 2 Subject Pool		
BEHV 2002	Brain and Behaviour	
MATH 2006	Experimental Design and Analysis	
BEHV 2005	Human Learning	
BEHV 2010	Perception	
BEHV 2018	Personality	
Level 3 Subject Pool		
BEHV 3002	Abnormal Psychology	
BEHV 3004	Advanced Research Methods	
BEHV 3007	Cognitive Processes	
BEHV 3009	Developmental Psychology	
BEHV 3010	Health Psychology	

BEHV 3011	History and Philosophy of Psychology
BEHV 3014	Motivation and Emotion
BEHV 3018	Psychology and the Online World
BEHV 3019	Psychology of Language
BEHV 3023	Social Psychology

Equivalent Subjects

The subject listed below counts towards completion of the major for students who passed this subject in 2021 or earlier.

BEHV 3017 - Personality, replaced by BEHV 2018 (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/subject-details/behv2018/>) - Personality

Related Programs

Bachelor of Arts (1706) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts/>)

Bachelor of Arts (Dean's Scholars) (1655) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-deans-scholars/>)

Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Birth - 5/Birth - 12) (1708) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-birth-5-birth-12/>)

Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary) (1651) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-primary/>)

Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary) Dean's Scholars (1822) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-primary-deans-scholars/>)

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Business (1818) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-bachelor-business/>)

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Creative Industries (1842) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-bachelor-creative-industries/>)

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Laws (2537) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-bachelor-laws/>)

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Social Science (1808) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-bachelor-social-science/>)

Bachelor of Business (2786) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-business/>)

Diploma in Arts/Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary) (6019) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/diploma-arts-bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-primary/>)

Diploma in Arts/Bachelor of Arts (6005) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/diploma-arts-bachelor-arts/>)

Diploma in Arts/Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Birth-5/Birth-12) (6017) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/diploma-arts-bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-birth-5-birth-12/>)

Diploma in Business/Bachelor of Business (6037) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/diploma-business-bachelor-business/>)