BACHELOR OF PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE AND CRIMINOLOGY (1906)

Western Sydney University Program Code: 1906
AQF Level: 7

This program applies to students who commenced in 2022 or later.

Psychology develops students' scientific knowledge and skills to understand and explain human behaviour and experience. Students will comprehend and apply a broad and coherent body of knowledge of psychology. Areas of study include: history and philosophy of psychology, individual differences in behaviour and personality, psychological health and well-being, psychological disorders and intervention, learning and memory, cognition, language and perception, motivation and emotion, neuroscience and the biological bases of behaviour, lifespan developmental psychology, social psychology, research methods and statistics.

The criminology major offers students the opportunity to study crime and criminal justice in a critical way that particularly stresses social and cultural definitions of criminality and the reactions to it. Areas of focus include criminal justice institutions and practices; the development of criminology as a discipline and its various strands; forms and patterns of victimisation; crime prevention strategies and debates; aspects of juvenile justice; First Peoples and criminal justice; the evolution of prisons and different forms of punishment; law enforcement and surveillance; violence, gender and crime; cultural depictions of crime and contemporary debates in criminology.

Study Mode

Three years full-time or six years part-time.

Program Advice

WSU Online (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/contains/wsu%20online/)

Prospective students should visit the following websites for general enquiries about this program.

Enquire about this program (https://enquiry.westernsydney.edu.au/courseenquiry/)| Local Admission (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/) | International Admission (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/home/apply/admissions/) |

Location

Campus	Attendance	Mode	Advice
WSU Online*	Full Time	Online	WSU Online Advice (https://directory.westernsyd search/profile/16978/)
WSU Online*	Part Time	Online	WSU Online Advice (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/profile/16978/)

* Programs delivered through an agreement with another party

Accreditation

This course is accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC) on the basis that it meets all the APAC Accreditation Standards.

Admission

Students apply for admission to this program directly through WSU Online (https://online.westernsydney.edu.au/online-courses/). Eligibility will be assessed on the basis of a competitive ATAR or equivalent rank (using non-proximate indicators of success) for school leavers and non-recent school leavers.

Recommended Sequence

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 240 credit points as per the recommended sequence below.

All students must enrol in and complete:

- 140 credit points of Psychology core subjects,
- 20 credit points of Psychology alternate subjects as listed below, and
- 80 credit points of Criminology and Criminal Justice major subjects.

Psychology Alternate Subjects

Subject	Title	Credit Points
BEHV 2020	Introduction to Digital Mental Health	10
BEHV 1010	Positive Psychology: The Science of Happiness, Resilience, and Wellbeing	10
BEHV 3018	Psychology and the Online World	10
BEHV 1025	Usable Design	10

Full-time

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Trimester 1		
BEHV 1016	Psychology: Behavioural Science	10
CULT 1005	Crime, Deviance and Society	10
BEHV 1003	Introduction to Research Methods	10
One Psychology alternate subject		10
Trimester 2		
BEHV 1018	Psychology: Human Behaviour	10
BEHV 2018	Personality	10
CULT 1024	Introduction to Criminal Justice	10
One Psychology alternate subject		10
Trimester 3		
CULT 2018	Crime Prevention and Drugs	10
BEHV 2010	Perception	10
BEHV 2002	Brain and Behaviour	10
BEHV 3007	Cognitive Processes	10
	Credit Points	**120**
Year 2		
Trimester 4		
BEHV 2005	Human Learning	10
CULT 2017	Youth Justice and Practice	10
BEHV 3002	Abnormal Psychology	10
MATH 2006	Experimental Design and Analysis	10
Trimester 5		

BEHV 3009	Developmental Psychology	10
CULT 3018	Perspectives in Criminology	10
CULT 3013	Gender, Crime and Violence	10
Select one of the following:		10
HUMN 2070	First Peoples and Criminal Justice	
CULT 3025	Prisons, Punishment and Criminal Justice	
Trimester 6		
BEHV 3004	Advanced Research Methods	10
BEHV 3023	Social Psychology	10
BEHV 3014	Motivation and Emotion	10
CULT 3024	Crime, Media, Culture	10
	Credit Points	**120**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Part-time

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Trimester 1		
BEHV 1016	Psychology: Behavioural Science	10
CULT 1005	Crime, Deviance and Society	10
Trimester 2		
BEHV 1018	Psychology: Human Behaviour	10
CULT 1024	Introduction to Criminal Justice	10
Trimester 3		
BEHV 1003	Introduction to Research Methods	10
One Psychology alternate subject		10
	Credit Points	**60**
Year 2		
Trimester 4		
BEHV 2002	Brain and Behaviour	10
BEHV 2010	Perception	10
Trimester 5		
BEHV 2018	Personality	10
One Psychology alternate subject		10
Trimester 6		
BEHV 2005	Human Learning	10
MATH 2006	Experimental Design and Analysis	10
	Credit Points	**60**
Year 3		
Trimester 7		
CULT 2018	Crime Prevention and Drugs	10
BEHV 3007	Cognitive Processes	10
Trimester 8		
CULT 2017	Youth Justice and Practice	10
BEHV 3002	Abnormal Psychology	10
Trimester 9		
BEHV 3009	Developmental Psychology	10
Select one of the following:		10
HUMN 2070	First Peoples and Criminal Justice	
CULT 3025	Prisons, Punishment and Criminal Justice	
	Credit Points	**60**
Year 4		
Trimester 10		
BEHV 3004	Advanced Research Methods	10
BEHV 3014	Motivation and Emotion	10

Trimester 11		
CULT 3018	Perspectives in Criminology	10
CULT 3013	Gender, Crime and Violence	10
Trimester 12		
CULT 3024	Crime, Media, Culture	10
BEHV 3023	Social Psychology	10
	Credit Points	**60**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Equivalent Subject

The subject listed below counts towards completion of the program for students who may have passed the subject in 2022 or earlier.

CULT 2019 First Peoples and Criminal Justice, replaced by HUMN 2070 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/subject-details/humn2070/) First Peoples and Criminal Justice