

# Bachelor of Science (Honours) (BSCH) - BSc(Hons)

CRICOS code (International applicants): 043510M

Programs at USQ regularly undergo a comprehensive re-accreditation process to assure their relevance and quality. The Bachelor of Science (Honours) (Psychology) has undergone re-accreditation and as a consequence, is now changing. If you have any questions, please [contact us](#).

	On-campus*	External*	Online
<b>Start:</b>	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)	
<b>Campus:</b>	Ipswich, Toowoomba	-	-
<b>Fees:</b>	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	
<b>Residential school:</b>	Psychology Major Toowoomba/Ipswich campus (mandatory)	Psychology Major Toowoomba campus (mandatory)	
<b>Standard duration:</b>	1 year full-time; 2 years part-time		

## Footnotes

\* The Psychology major is offered on-campus as intensive workshops during courses in the Psychology major are offered as intensive on-campus work. Attendance at workshops/residential school is mandatory. Each course involves four intensive workshop blocks (4 residential schools) per year. The length of each semester. International students can only complete the Psychology major in Toowoomba.

The Psychology major has a Semester 1 intake only. All residential schools are held in Toowoomba and/or Ipswich. International students, thus students are required to attend residential schools will be advised at the beginning of the semester.

## Contact us



Membership. If graduates achieve a high level of Honours (either First Class or Second Class, Division A), they would be eligible to apply for a Masters program or PhD at USQ and other universities.

### **Program aims**

The Bachelor of Science (Honours) aims to begin the training of students as research scientists in a variety of scientific disciplines including applied mathematics/statistics, biology, chemistry, environment and sustainability, computing, physics and psychology. Successful completion of the psychology major enables graduates to register with the Psychology Board of Australia. Graduates who achieve a high level of Honours (either First Class or Second Class division A) would be eligible to apply for a Masters program or PhD at USQ and other universities.

### **Program objectives**

Upon completion of the Honours program, graduates should be able to:

- (1) demonstrate high levels of proficiency in research and specific methodology including research planning and implementation, analysis, interpretation and evaluation of research results, and the presentation and communication of research findings
- (2) demonstrate a commitment to the ethical and social responsibilities of a practising scientist
- (3) develop the professional identity that leads to autonomy, well-developed judgement, adaptability and responsibility as a practitioner or scientist in their discipline
- (4) analyse critically, evaluate and transform information in order to develop solutions to complex problems in their chosen specialist area
- (5) demonstrate advanced knowledge and skills for work as a Professional or to proceed to PhD study subject to competitive evaluation of qualifications

### **Australian Qualifications Framework**

The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) is a single national, comprehensive system of qualifications offered by higher education institutions (including universities), vocational education and training institutions and secondary schools. Each AQF qualification has a set of descriptors which define the type and complexity of knowledge, skills and application of knowledge and skills that a graduate who has been awarded that qualification has attained, and the typical volume of learning associated with that qualification type.

This program is at AQF Qualification Level 08. Graduates at this level will hav

- English Language Proficiency requirements of Category 2.

Applicants are advised to also note the following:

- Candidates for the Psychology Major must have completed a program of study approved by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC) as constituting the first three years (or equivalent) of study in psychology within the last three years.
- Candidates for all majors other than psychology must have both supervisory and honours committee approval prior to enrolment.

Satisfaction of admission requirements does not guarantee admission.

**Note:** Places within the Bachelor of Science (Honours) program specialising in Psychology are limited by quota. Selection from applicants who met admission requirements will be based on ranking by GPA from previous Psychology studies. Quota size is determined by the av

The project courses give students appropriate opportunity for research and scientific investigation of a topic within the area of the major study.

### **Required time limits**

Students have a maximum of 2 years to complete this program.

### **Major studies**

On enrolment, each student must choose one of the majors Applied Mathematics/Statistics, Biology, Chemistry, Environment & Sustainability, Computing, Physics or Psychology.

### **IT requirements**

Students should visit the USQ [minimum computing standards](#) to check that their computers are capable of running the appropriate software and versions of Internet web browsers and to check the minimum and recommended standards for software.

### **Residential schools**

The attendance requirement of residential schools within this degree is indicated by the following letters: V = Voluntary; O = Optional; C = Compulsory; R = Recommended; HR = Highly Recommended; M = Mandatory. To find out more about [residential schools](#), visit the [Residential School Schedule](#) to view specific dates for your degree, or visit the [Policy and Procedure Library](#).

#### **Core courses:**

- [PSY4101 Psychology Honours Project A](#)
- [PSY4111 Advanced Research Approaches](#)
- [PSY4020 Ethical and Professional Practice](#)
- [PSY4102 Psychology Honours Project B](#)
- [PSY4040 Psychological Interventions](#)
- [PSY4070 Assessment and Interview Skills](#)

For the Psychology Major there are two mandatory intensive workshop residential school blocks each semester, each usually of one week's duration (i.e. usually 6-7 days for full-time students and 3-5 days for part-time students). These workshops/residential schools are mandatory for all students in the program. Students who apply from o

**Recommended enrolment pattern - Applied Mathematics/Statistics; Biology; Chemistry; Environment & Sustainability; Computing; and Physics major**

Students are able to enrol in any offered mode of a course (on-campus, external or online), regardless of the program mode of study they enrolled in.

Supervisory approval must be obtained before undertaking external study

Students may commence their studies in either semester 1 or semester 2.

A part-time enrolment pattern is available. Students wanting to study part-time should [contact us](#) for this enrolment pattern.

To identify a potential honours supervisor, students need to contact the Program Coordinator and can do this by emailing [usq.support@usq.edu.au](mailto:usq.support@usq.edu.au). Students must have supervisory approval before beginning their studies.

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