Undergraduate Certificate of Psychology Fundamentals (UCCP) - UCPsych

	Online
Start:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)
Fees:	Commonwealth supported place
Standard duration:	0.5 year full-time
Program articulation:	To: Diploma of University Studies; Bachelor of Psychology (Honours); Bachelor of Science (Psychology) ; Bachelor of Science (Psychology Extended)

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Program aims

The Undergraduate Certificate of Psychology Fundamentals aims to equip students with the necessary skills to successfully respond to the literacy, critical thinking and e-literacy demands of higher education studies. In addition, this program will provide students with foundation knowledge of psychology and a broad introduction to the practice of psychology. The Certificate provides students with a broad introduction to the academic culture of university studies and the discipline of psychology. The Certificate will provide students with an enhanced understanding and knowledge of foundational issues, principles and strategies needed in order to be successful in the first year undergraduate level of study. The program will appeal to those who want to enhance and develop their broad study skills prior to enrolling in a more specialised degree program, or opting instead to graduate with a new sub-degree qualification.

Program objectives

On successful completion of this program graduates should be able to:

- Demonstrate effective communication and interpersonal skills and an ability to successfully pursue an undergraduate program of study in either the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts, or the Faculty of Health, Engineering, and Sciences
- Develop foundation knowledge, skills and competencies in a series of generic first year award-level undergraduate courses
- Develop academic and professional literacy by showing an understanding of the scope of Psychology and the relationships between its fields

Australian Qualifications Framework

The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) is a single national, comprehensive system of qualifications

This program is at AQF Qualification Level 05. Graduates at this level will have specialised knowledge and skills for skilled/paraprofessional work and/or further learning.

The full set of levels criteria and qualification type descriptors can be found by visiting www.aqf.edu.au.

Program Information Set

View USQ's admission criteria, student profiles and a summary of all offers made under Course Admission Information Set via the QTAC website.

Admission requirements

To be eligible for admission, applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

- Admission into this short program is available to eligible Commonwealth Supported applicants, who are aged 17 years or over. USQ assumes your knowledge is equivalent to senior high school English (Units 3 & 4, C).

Program fees

Commonwealth supported place

A Commonwealth supported place is where the Australian Government makes a contribution towards the cost of a students' higher education and students pay a student contribution amount, which varies depending on the courses undertaken. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder.

Commonwealth Supported students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called HECS-HELP.

Program structure

Students must successfully complete four compulsory core courses before they are able to graduate with the Undergraduate Certificate of Psychology Fundamentals.

Required time limits

Students have a maximum of 1 year to complete this program.

Core courses

There are two compulsory courses:

- DIP1000 E-Literacy for Contemporary Society
- DIP1001 Academic and Professional English

Select two of the following courses:

- PSY1010 Foundation Psychology A (offered in Semester 1 and Semester 3)
- PSY1020 Foundation Psychology B (offered in Semester 1 and Semester 2)
- PSY1030 Cross-Cultural and Indigenous Psychology (offered in Semester 2 and Semester 3)

IT requirements

Access to an up-to-date computer is necessary. On-campus students can access appropriately equipped laboratories, but should consider acquisition of their own computer. Students should be able to access a computer with the following minimum standards. All students should have access to email and the Internet via a computer running the latest versions of Internet web browsers such as Internet Explorer or Firefox. The University has a wireless network for on-campus students' computers. In order to take advantage of this facility and further enhance their on-campus learning environment, students should consider purchasing a notebook/laptop computer with wireless connectivity. Specialist software is required for some courses.

Articulation

Successful completion of this program will enable entry and four courses of credit towards the Diploma of University Studies. It will also provide entry to, and up to four (4) courses credit towards the BPSH Bachelor of Psychology (Honours), the BSCI Bachelor of Science (Psychology) or BSCI Bachelor of Science (Psychology Extended).

Recommended enrolment pattern

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.