

Bachelor of Psychological Science - Bachelor of Social Science



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DOUBLE DEGREE



Psychology is the study of who we are and how we think, feel, act and change. This knowledge helps us improve wellbeing and psychological health. Understanding people's motivations and actions can provide valuable insight into the world of business: how we work, organise ourselves and assign value to things, and what constitutes responsible and ethical decision-making.

Social Science looks at why and how we live the way we do. The social sciences look at society and social behaviour to understand, explain and change human behaviour to positively transform the lives of individuals, families and communities.

ATAR	75
DURATION	4.5 years full-time or part-time equivalent
DELIVERY	On Campus (Wollongong)

WHAT YOU WILL STUDY

This double degree combines the comprehensive training in the processes basic to human psychological functioning required for qualification as a professional psychologist with the critical and creative thinking skills and effective communication and problem solving skills learned from studying social science. During this degree you will study the foundations of psychology and learn about research methods and statistics. You will also undertake study in the following areas:

- personality
- biological psychology and learning
- cognitions and perception
- development and social psychology, and
- psychology of abnormality
- unpredictable and complex problems
- interdisciplinary thinking and analysis
- ethical practice, civic awareness and social responsibility
- effective and cross cultural communication



Students with an excellent academic record and an extended major in psychology can apply for entry to the additional one-year Bachelor of Psychological Science (Honours) degree, a prerequisite to professional registration. The Bachelor of Social Science also offers an honours year as an alternative to the Psychology honours.

YOUR DEGREE

The major areas of study in this double degree include: Criminology, Health Promotion, Human Geography, Indigenous Studies, Public Health, Social Marketing, Social Policy, Sociology. The UOW School of Psychology and The School of Health and Society offer excellent facilities and staff, which guarantee quality education and opportunities for world leading research. The Northfields (Psychology) Clinic located on campus provides training and supervision of graduates in clinical psychology through a psychological service to the community. The Clinic offers a range of assessment, intervention and counselling services for children, adolescents and adults.

CRIMINOLOGY MAJOR

Criminologists take an interdisciplinary approach to understanding why people commit crime, how societies conceptualise harm, and why some harms are considered crimes while others are not. Criminologists also investigate how we respond to crime and whether our responses are fair and adequate for offenders, victims and the general community.

In the Criminology major you will develop your critical analysis skills by studying the institutions and processes of criminal justice and explanations for criminal offending. You will learn about real world criminal justice problems, and bring your skills and knowledge together to design solutions. In addition you can choose to focus on specialised areas including youth crime and justice, crime prevention, justice alternative and environmental crime.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

This double degree can set you on a path to many different professions including: Professional Psychologist (following completion of a recognised 4th year in Psychology), Social Worker (following completion of a Master of Social Work Qualifying), Community or Social Services, Government Agencies or Private Enterprise, Corrective services, Social Planning and Social Impact Assessment, Policy Analysis And Evaluation, Data Analyst, Health Care Management and Policy, Life Coach, Local Government, Community Planning and Development, Environmental Officer, Federal and International Policy, Local and International Community Development



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