



PSYCHOLOGY



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5-STAR

RATING FOR GETTING A FULL-TIME JOB¹



TOP 2%

OF UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD²



TOP 50

UNIVERSITIES UNDER 50 YEARS OLD³



TOP 100

FOR GLOBAL GRADUATES⁴

WE'RE GOING PLACES

UOW is one of the best modern universities in Australia. We connect over 30,000 students from more than 130 nations to learn and discover. We're young, we're smart and we work hard enough to be ranked in the top 2% of universities in the world. Join us and see how far you can go.

YOU'RE IN CONTROL

Take control of your life like never before at UOW. Choose your degree. Choose a major. Choose elective subjects, and make exactly the study program you want.

THE TIME OF YOUR LIFE

Study where the brightest people take the time to learn your name. You'll be more than a number at UOW, and be taught by world famous educators and researchers. Outside of class, you'll be part of a campus culture defined by fun and friendship.

OUR GRADS GET JOBS

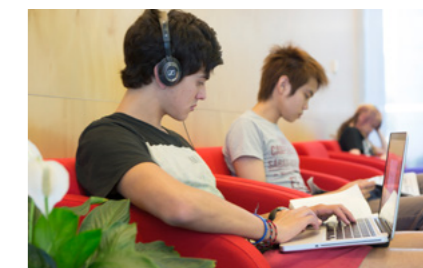
UOW graduates have the skills employers want. We've been rated in the top 100 in the world by employers for nearly a decade. You'll learn how to learn, how to turn theory into practice, and how people with different skills work together.

BE SOMEONE YOU'RE PROUD OF

Challenge yourself and come out on top at UOW. Tackle big ideas in your degree, push yourself and travel the world on international exchange, bring your learning to life with a UOWx program such as mentoring local students.

WHY PSYCHOLOGY AT UOW

Psychology at UOW connects you with people, programs and technology to enhance your learning experience.



1. RECOGNISED AUSTRALIA-WIDE

When peak professional bodies accredit UOW degrees, it means that employers seek UOW graduates to join their organisations. All our psychology courses are accredited by the Australian Psychological Accreditation Council, which means that staff are constantly working to ensure our courses meet the evolving needs of students and industry.

2. STUDY WITH OTHER DISCIPLINES

Psychology is an area of study that is helpful in nearly every career. An understanding of human behaviour, social interaction, and brain function will become a benefit in a range of other disciplines. At UOW, we offer Psychology as a double degree with other Faculties, so you have the opportunity to complement your learning and combine knowledge with other courses.



3. PATHWAYS TO REGISTRATION?

All of our psychology courses are accredited by the Australian Psychological Accreditation Council. A minimum of 4 years of study at university is required for registration as a psychologist. Our programs provide that education, plus we offer postgraduate programs that can lead to full registration.

4. STUDY A BROAD, STIMULATING CONTENT AREA

The study of psychology is one of the most popular options taken by university students in Australia. Almost every university offers psychology, and a large number of students at UOW are currently enrolled in psychology subjects. What attracts them is the content area—focusing on the study of people in all their diversity. Psychology is a broad field of study and it has relevance to many other disciplines. Any activity that people undertake involves psychological processes so the discipline of psychology has something to offer everyone.

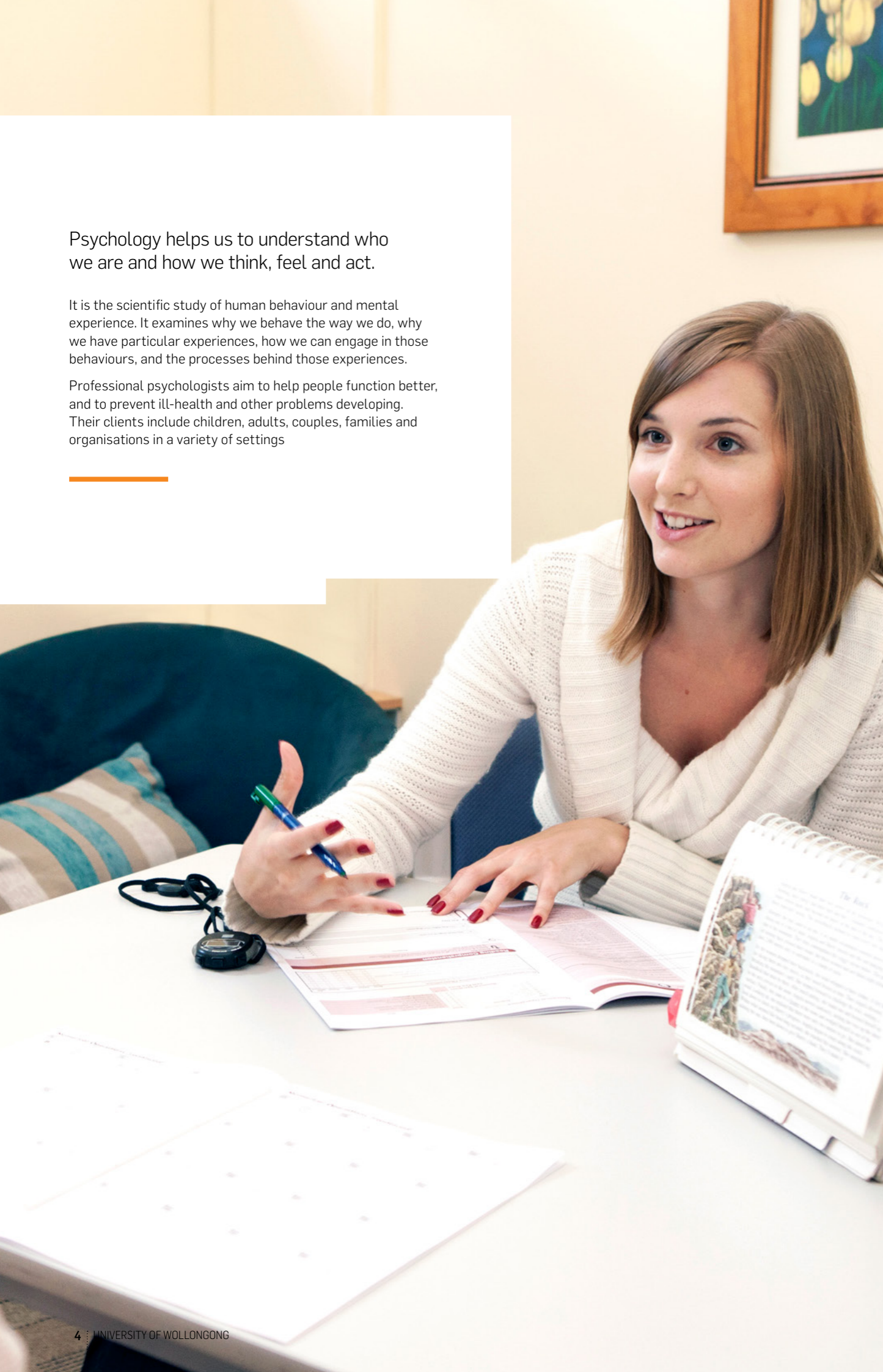
5. LEARN FROM THE BEST

When you study psychology at UOW, you are learning the most current knowledge directly from the people creating it. Your lecturers are researchers who are keen to instil their passion for psychology into each and every student, right from day one. Unlike some of the large institutions, we continue to run face-to-face tutorial classes, so you get to know the people you learn from.

Psychology helps us to understand who we are and how we think, feel and act.

It is the scientific study of human behaviour and mental experience. It examines why we behave the way we do, why we have particular experiences, how we can engage in those behaviours, and the processes behind those experiences.

Professional psychologists aim to help people function better, and to prevent ill-health and other problems developing. Their clients include children, adults, couples, families and organisations in a variety of settings



BACHELOR DEGREES

Bachelor of Psychology (Honours)

ATAR	89
DURATION	4 years
STARTS	Autumn (February)
LOCATION	Wollongong
UAC	753230
CRICOS	084845D

This degree is for high achieving students who want to become psychologists. It qualifies you to apply for provisional registration. The fourth year of the degree is an approved Honours year. The Honours program contains a significant research thesis along with course work and is a necessary step towards registration. The Honours year is also available for students completing the Arts or Science degree.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

This degree combines university and classroom experience throughout the course, using on-campus, on-site and online learning environments.

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

This degree is fully accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council.

Bachelor of Arts (Psychology)

ATAR	75
DURATION	3 years
STARTS	Autumn (February), Spring (July)
LOCATION	Wollongong
UAC	753200
CRICOS	012087M

The Bachelor of Arts (Psychology) will provide you with comprehensive training in the processes basic to human psychological functioning required for qualification as a professional psychologist. You can also combine your Psychology major with other disciplines available in the Bachelor of Arts degree. This will allow you to expand your understanding of the human experience and broaden your career options.

Students with an excellent academic record may apply to transfer to the four-year Bachelor of Psychology degree, which provides the academic requirement for eligibility for provisional registration by Psychology Board of Australia.

WHICH THREE-YEAR DEGREE?

The difference between the Bachelor of Arts (Psychology) and Bachelor of Psychological Science is in the electives. The psychology component of each of the degrees is identical. The Science degree can give you a stronger background in the biological basis of human behaviour, while the Arts degree allows you to gain a wider understanding of the human experience. This variation lets you pursue your personal interests, and opens up different options for combining your studies with other disciplines.

BACHELOR DEGREES

Bachelor of Psychological Science

ATAR	75
DURATION	3 years
STARTS	Autumn (February)
UAC	753220
CRICOS	086228B
LOCATION	Wollongong

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.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

This degree combines university and classroom experience throughout the course, using on-campus, on-site and online learning environments.

Bachelor of Social Science (Psychology)

ATAR	75
DURATION	3 years
STARTS	Autumn (February)
UAC	753210
CRICOS	084775B
LOCATION	Wollongong

Social Sciences help transform the lives of individuals, families and communities by understanding, explaining, predicting and changing human behaviour and environments. To do this, Social Science students engage in interdisciplinary study about human behaviour, including foundations in psychology, social policy, sociology, human geography, research methodology, indigenous studies, and social determinants of health and wellbeing.

PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR

Psychology increases knowledge of how and why people act in the ways they do, as well as how to apply this knowledge in a wide variety of settings in a systematic, reproducible way. This three-year degree in Psychology provides students with knowledge of the processes basic to human psychological functioning, including the biological and social bases of behaviour, cognition, learning, perception, social and organisational behaviour, personality, and abnormality, as well as a grounding in research and assessment tools.

YOUR DEGREE, YOUR STUDY PATHWAY

Students will be able to build a unique study pathway. From a strong common foundation of compulsory core Social Science subjects in first year, you will choose and complete a specialty area/major, which is then complemented by your choice of elective subjects from any area of UOW offering cross-faculty enrolment. You can build a subspecialty/minor or choose any electives.

HONOURS PROGRAM

Students with an excellent academic record may apply to study the fourth year of Honours, which provides the academic requirement for eligibility for provisional registration by Psychology Board of Australia.



“There are still many questions to be asked about human behaviour, let alone finding answers to those questions. Psychology does not sit in isolation as a discipline. It’s influenced by developments in other disciplines such as medicine, biology, physics, philosophy, politics to give but a few examples.

“Our degrees allow students to do a major in psychology but also combine that major with study in other disciplines, e.g., the

Bachelor of Social Science (Psychology) allows students to explore other social science disciplines alongside psychology. For students who wish to, they can pursue more comprehensive course of study such as our Bachelor of Psychology (Honours). Our courses are accredited, comprehensive, challenging but inspiring.

“I’m proud of the quality of our programs and our commitment to excellence in teaching and research.”

**ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
PETER CAPUTI**
Head of School, Psychology

DOUBLE DEGREES

Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) - Bachelor of Commerce

ATAR	89
DURATION	5.5 years
STARTS	Autumn (February)
LOCATION	Wollongong
UAC	751751
CRICOS	084855B

The Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) - Bachelor of Commerce double degree provides a pathway to becoming a psychologist in a commercial and/or industrial/organisational context. You must complete the required Psychology and Commerce double degree subjects before you are eligible to move on to the Honours subjects in Psychology. The Honours subjects cover principles and applications, theory and methods, and an empirical thesis, which is undertaken throughout the entire Honours year.

On completion of this degree, you will be able to apply knowledge of psychological principles and applications across many business areas, including the application of research methods to commercial issues in local, national and international contexts.

Bachelor of Psychological Science - Bachelor of Commerce

ATAR	75
DURATION	4.5 years
STARTS	Autumn (February)
LOCATION	Wollongong
UAC	751750
CRICOS	086229A

After completing subjects in this degree, you will be able to apply knowledge of psychological principles and applications to marketing and organisational practices. You will also apply knowledge of research method to commercial issues in local, national and international contexts. In your business subjects you will demonstrate the capacity for independent learning with respect to professional development of human behaviour in business, organisational and marketing contexts. You will apply critical thinking skills to examine human behaviour in an organisational context. You will also demonstrate ethical and responsible decision-making in the business context.

Bachelor of Psychological Science - Bachelor of Laws

ATAR	90
DURATION	5 years
STARTS	Autumn (February)
LOCATION	Wollongong
UAC	751215
CRICOS	086232F

Professional skills in law and psychology open up many exciting career options with employment opportunities in the private and public sectors. Areas include education, community legal services and public interest advocacy groups.

Bachelor of Arts (Psychology) - Bachelor of Commerce

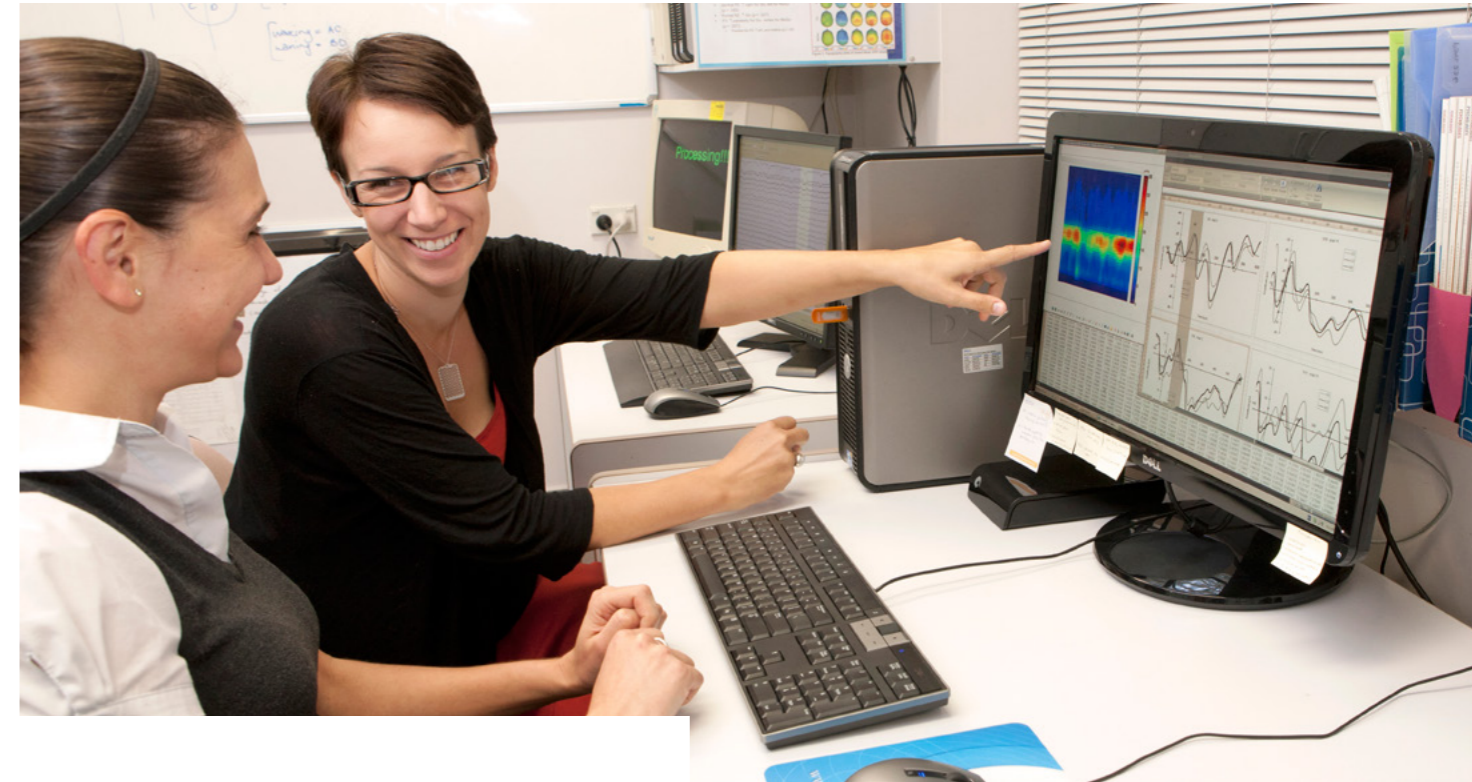
ATAR	75
DURATION	4.5 years
STARTS	Autumn (February)
LOCATION	Wollongong
UAC	751305
CRICOS	078309A

During this double degree, your psychology subjects include biological and social bases of behaviour, cognition and perception, social and developmental psychology, personality, and applied psychology. You will also learn the fundamentals of psychological practice, including the history of psychology, statistical and quantitative methods and psychological assessment. The first year of your Bachelor of Commerce requires all students to study common core business subjects including the principles of responsible commerce, accounting fundamentals, statistics for business and marketing principals. Your second and third year will focus on your major commerce study area.

Bachelor of Arts (Psychology) - Bachelor of Laws

ATAR	92
DURATION	5 years
STARTS	Autumn (February)
LOCATION	Wollongong
UAC	751200
CRICOS	078315C

The practical skills you will learn in Law include hands-on skills like critical analysis, written and oral communication, legal research, negotiation and advocacy, all of which are necessary for you to excel in the legal profession. By adding a Bachelor of Arts (Psychology), you will attain knowledge of biological and social bases of behaviour, cognition and perception, social and developmental psychology, personality, and applied psychology. This combination gives you an in-depth understanding and reasoning of the human experience that can enhance your skills as a legal practitioner.



POSTGRADUATE PSYCHOLOGY

Completion of four years in Psychology is an important first step for registration as a psychologist in Australia. To complete the four years students must complete an Honours year to meet the minimum academic requirements for eligibility for provisional registration as a psychologist. An additional two years of supervised practice is necessary to apply for registration as a professional psychologist with the Psychology Board of Australia and this can be achieved through a number of different pathways. At UOW we have an extensive program of postgraduate degrees that provide opportunities for either clinical, academic or research careers.

TWO-YEAR MASTERS DEGREE

This program is accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC) for Registration as a Psychologist with the Psychology Board of Australia, and as a qualifying degree for entering a registrar program leading to endorsement in Clinical Psychology.

ONE-YEAR MASTERS DEGREE PLUS SUPERVISED WORK

You can complete the UOW Master of Professional Psychology (fifth year program) and then complete a single year of supervised work under a registered psychologist.

DOCTORAL STUDIES

You can complete an approved professional doctorate, the Doctor of Psychology (Clinical), or a Doctor of Philosophy (Clinical Psychology). Although both of these degrees qualify you for registration and train you in advanced research skills, the professional doctorate offers more professional training and the PhD includes a larger research component. Holding a Doctorate will make you a suitable candidate for high-level research positions in clinical or academic settings.



My PhD will be investigating mental health risk among adolescent males in organised sports teams. I'll design an intervention to train team managers and coaches in 'gatekeeper' behaviours that can help them to identify individuals at risk and safely direct them to professional help.

I have always had an interest in what drives people's behaviour, how the mind works, and why people feel the way they do.

SARAH LIDDLE
 Doctor of Philosophy
 Bachelor of Psychology Honours
 Bachelor of Science (Psychology)

These interests drove me toward studying psychology.

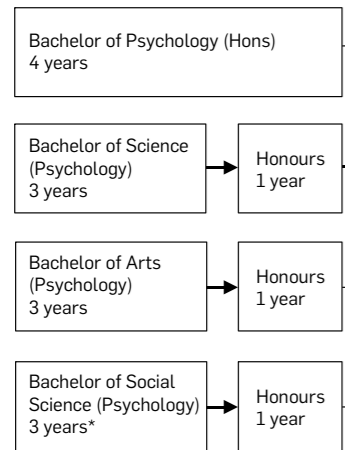
This area of research is new to me and very different to any I have attempted in the past. However I am really interested in this topic, and it has great practical implications for mental health and the community. I hope to one day become a Clinical Psychologist working with people in a clinical setting—while continuing my research.



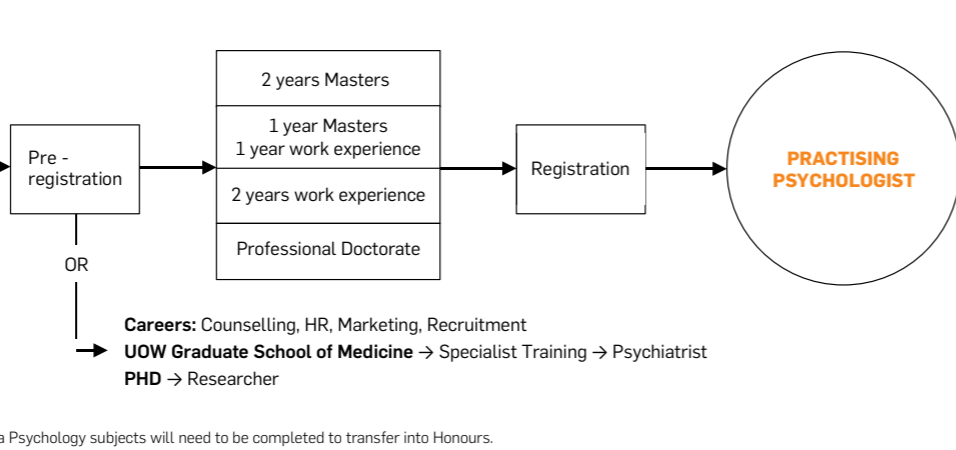
PROFESSIONAL PATHWAYS

Becoming a registered psychologist requires you to complete a path of study approved by the Psychology Board of Australia. You will have many options of how to reach your goal at UOW.

UNDERGRADUATE



POSTGRADUATE



GRADUATE OUTCOMES

As a graduate from the School of Psychology you will have:

- an understanding of human behaviour and psychological processes
- critical thinking and problem solving skills
- research and information finding skills
- the ability to look at problems from a variety of perspectives
- interpersonal and environmental awareness and sound professional ethics

CAREERS

There are many avenues of progression in a Psychology career:

- Clinical, Counselling, Clinical Neuropsychological, Community, Educational & Developmental, Forensic, Organisational, Sports, Health, Academic.
- Career options with a 3-year major include: Personnel Services, Human Resources, Organisational Behaviour, with Government agencies or private enterprise.
- School Counsellors first qualify and work as teachers, then undertake postgraduate training through the School of Education.



OTHER DEGREES YOU MAY LIKE

This booklet is just a sample of the degrees on offer at UOW. Here are a few more from different study areas that may interest you.

Bachelor of Arts

Studying Arts at UOW allows you to tailor a degree specifically to your interests. Our flexible options let you choose the direction your program takes, such as specialising in a political, historical, international or creative discipline. The degree is made up of subjects with origins in the humanities: history, literature, languages and philosophy—and the disciplines of social sciences: cultural studies, sociology and politics.

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Bachelor of Primary Education

A primary teacher educates children from Kindergarten to Year 6 (ages 5 to 12 years) and teaches all areas of the Australian primary curriculum. UOW Bachelor of Primary Education graduates focus on educating the 'whole child' and promote lifelong learning in children. You will 'learn by doing', spending up to 16 weeks teaching in early childhood education and care centres.

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Bachelor of Medical and Health Sciences

Medical and health scientists are involved in the development of therapies, treatments and health services in both private industry and hospital settings. In your first year you will cover Human Biology, Physiology, Biochemistry and Anatomy. Then you'll have the chance to customise your program of study with elective subjects that include specialised areas within chemistry, anatomy, bioethics and public health.

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LEARN MORE

SEE US FOR YOURSELF

This book is a just a part of who we are and what we do. Come and meet us face to face, and we'll show you why UOW is the place for you.

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