Honours Information

School of Psychology
Why Honours?

The Honours program in Psychology aims to develop your skills in:

• Addressing advanced conceptual issues in psychology and integrating a broad range of research findings within central theoretical concepts

• Gaining a deep understanding of current research within several areas of the discipline

• Planning, implementing, and interpreting the findings of a major piece of empirical research

• Giving brief oral presentations of research findings in a manner that is understandable to people not working in the same research area
Entry Requirements and Prerequisites

Successful completion of a Bachelor’s degree (BA, BSc) with two psychology majors

• **Level 1:**
  • Core: PSYC1101 and PSYC1102

• **Level 2:**
  • Core: PSYC2203
  • + one option from the Psychology in Society (BA) major
    • PSYC2209/PSYC2212/PSYC2213/PSYC2214
  • + one option from the Psychology in Science (BSc) major
    • PSYC2208/PSYC2215/PSYC2217/PSYC2218
Entry Requirements and Prerequisites

- **Level 3:**
  - Core: PSYC3301 + PSYC3302 + PSYC3303 + PSYC3310
  - + two options from Psychology in Society (BA) major
    - PSYC3309/PSYC3312/PSYC3313/PSYC3314
  - + two options from Psychology in Science (BSc) major
    - PSYC3308/PSYC3315/PSYC3317/PSYC3318

- If you have completed the Graduate Diploma in Psychology or the Diploma in Science (Psychology) you are eligible to apply for entry into the Honours program.
- If you have completed your degree elsewhere you could need additional units (available through UWA extension)
Entry Requirements and Prerequisites

• You need an average of at least 65% or more across your level 3 Psychology units.

• Students achieving this will be ranked according to their marks in:

* the 4 core level 3 units
  \( (\text{PSYC3301, 3302, 3303, 3310}) \)

  \textbf{PLUS}

* the 4 elective units you scored best in
Selection Process

• Applicants will be offered places from the top of the list until the School has filled its available places.

• The total number of places will vary according to the number of staff available to supervise (nominally 70 places).

• Cut-off score for 2014 entry was 74.125
Application Process

1. Submit your application for UWA Honours entry

2. Contact and talk to potential supervisors within the School of Psychology

3. Complete the School of Psychology’s “Online supervisor preference form”
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• Refer to the Future Students website for further information


OPENING DATE 13 October 2014
CLOSING DATE (PSYCHOLOGY): 30 November 2014
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Australian students:

- UWA students apply online via StudentConnect
- Students from other Australian universities apply online via OASys

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International students

- Current UWA international students apply online via StudentConnect
- Non-current UWA international students and international students from other universities should complete an undergraduate application form and forward to the International Centre

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- Applications open on **13 October 2014**
- Applications (Psychology) close on **30 November 2014**
Application Process

Step 2. Contact and talk to potential supervisors within the School of Psychology

- Refer to the Supervisors – Academic staff and research interests link on the School of Psychology’s Honours page to find out about available projects and how to contact potential supervisors.

- Contact and talk to potential supervisors – this may be done in a group or one-to-one.
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Step 3. Complete the School of Psychology’s “Online supervisor preference form”

- **EVERYONE** must rank their supervisory preferences, even if a supervisor has agreed to take you on.

- Visit the [Online supervisor preference form](#) link on the School of Psychology’s Honours page to rank your supervisory preferences.
Notifications

• A first round of offers will be made in mid-December 2014.

• The School will inform successful applicants of their supervisor allocation - this allocation is final.

• There may be a second round of offers, generally early February 2015, if applicants withdraw their application after being offered a place.
FAQs

• **Can I defer my offer of an Honours place?**
  NO

• **Can I start mid-year?**
  YES. We have a mid-year application round, but it takes 3 semesters to complete so you must be able to enrol part-time. Your thesis must be completed in your 2nd year.

• **Can I study part-time?**
  YES. You must complete the course in 2 years and your thesis must be completed in your 2nd year.
Honours 2015 – What to expect

• Talk to current Honours students

• NOTE: The coursework and thesis components have been modified for 2015

Semester 1
• Psychological Research & Theory
• Psychological Research & Data
• PSYC7421 Honours Research Project I

Semester 2
• Psychological Research and Communication Skills
• Psychological Research & Practice
• Honours Research Project II
Needing further information?

www.psychology.uwa.edu.au/courses/honours

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Questions??