

Programme Regulations 2026/27

Degree of Bachelor of Science with Honours in Psychology- UCAS Code: C800

Degree of Bachelor of Science with Honours in Psychology with Professional Placement –Code: C801

Degree of Bachelor of Science with Honours in Psychology with Placement Year – Code: 1310U

Degree of Bachelor of Science with Honours in Psychology with International Study Year – Code: 1606U

Notes

- (i) *These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's Taught Programme Regulations.*
- (ii) *All optional modules are offered subject to the constraints of the timetable and to any restrictions on the number of students who may be taught on a particular module. Not all modules may be offered in all years, and they are listed subject to availability.*
- (iii) *Unless otherwise stated under 'Type', modules are not core.*
- (iv) *A compulsory module is a module which a student is required to study.*
- (v) *A core module is a module which a student must pass, and in which a fail mark may neither be carried nor compensated; such modules are designated by the board of studies as essential for progression to a further stage of the programme or for study in a further module.*
- (vi) *All modules are delivered in Linear mode unless stated otherwise as Block, eLearning or distance learning.*

1. Stage 1

- (a) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Type	Mode
PSY1004	Cognitive Psychology	10	10		4	Core	
PSY1005	Sensation and Perception	10	10		4	Core	
PSY1013	Research Methods and Data Analysis A	20	20		4	Core	
PSY1017	Foundations in Developmental Psychology	10	10		4	Core	
PSY1008	Personality and Mental Health	10		10	4	Core	
PSY1014	Research Methods and Data Analysis B	20		20	4	Core	
PSY1015	Principles of Evolution, Genetics and Behavioural Development	10		10	4	Core	
PSY1016	Foundations in Social Psychology	10		10	4	Core	
PSY1018	Psychological Enquiry 1: Academic Skills and Historical Perspectives - An introduction to Psychology	20	10	10	4	Core	

- (b) PSY1013 and PSY1014 - students are required to attain a pass mark in both assessment components to pass the module.
- (c) In order to be eligible to undertake a Professional placement a student must achieve a stage 1 average mark of at least 65%.

2. Stage 2

(a) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
PSY2001	Developmental Psychology	10	10		6	Core	
PSY2003	Social Psychology	10	10		6	Core	
PSY2008	Psychological Enquiry 2: Principles of Psychology	10	10		6	Core	
PSY2014	Cognitive Neuroscience	10	10		6	Core	
PSY2023	Research Methods in Psychology 2a	10	10		6	Core	
PSY2024	Research Methods in Psychology 2b	10	10		6	Core	
PSY2004	Individual Differences	10		10	6	Core	
PSY2007	Biological Psychology: Sex, Drugs, Rhythms and Blues	10		10	6	Core	
PSY2025	Research Methods in Psychology 2c	10		10	6	Core	
PSY2026	Research Methods in Psychology 2d	10		10	6	Core	

(b) All candidates shall take 20 credits of optional modules. Only Semester 2 optional modules from other schools can be chosen; however, these are subject to the approval of the Degree Programme Director and timetabling constraints. Modules must be either level 4 or level 5:

Only modules listed below can be selected during pre-registration; modules selected from outside the list will be made during registration week and module booking will be subject to both timetabling constraints and capping.

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
PSY2002	Perception	10		10	6		
PSY2020	Introduction to Comparative Cognition and Behaviour	10		10	6		
PSY2027	Pathways and Therapies in Clinical Psychology	10		10	6		
PSY2028	Introduction to Health Psychology	10		10	6		
PSY2029*	Psychology for Sport Performance	10		10	6		

*Not offered in 2627

3. Placement Year

(a) On completion of Stage 2 and before entering Stage 3, candidates may have the opportunity to spend a year in a Professional Placement or Careers Placement with an approved organisation. Permission to undertake either placement is subject to approval by the Degree Programme Director. Candidates who are required to re-sit their Stage 2 assessment must delay the start of their placement until they have done so. Candidates who fail Stage 2 may not complete a placement year.

Professional Placement - Code: C801

(b) All Professional Placement candidates shall take the following compulsory module:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
PSY3000	Psychology Professional Placement Year	120	60	60	6		

- (c) If a pass mark is obtained for the Professional Placement, in addition to a student meeting the criteria for the BSc in Psychology, then the degree of BSc in Psychology with Professional Placement will be awarded. Failure to pass the Professional Placement will result in the candidate being transferred to the BSc (Hons) in Psychology award.
- (d) In order to pass PSY3000 candidates must achieve a pass in each of three components of assessment: a poster, a reflective log, and supervisor report. If the poster or reflective log is failed, it will have to be retaken and a pass mark obtained. However, no resit can be offered for the supervisor report. Thus, if the supervisor report is failed, this will constitute a fail for the entire module.

Careers Placement – Code: 1310U

(e) All Careers Placement candidates shall take the following compulsory module:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
NCL3000	Career Service Placement Year Module	120	60	60	6		

- (f) If a pass mark is obtained for the Careers Placement, in addition to a student meeting the criteria for the BSc in Psychology, then the degree of BSc in Psychology with Placement Year will be awarded. Failure to pass the Careers Placement will result in the candidate being transferred to the BSc (Hons) in Psychology award.

International Study Year – Code: 1606U

- (g) On completion of Stage 2 and before entering Stage 3, candidates may spend the equivalent of one academic year abroad at an appropriate exchange partner institution. Permission to undertake a year abroad is subject to the approval of the Degree Programme Director. Students who are required to re-sit their Stage 2 assessment must delay the start of their year abroad until they have done so. Students who fail Stage 2 may not complete a year abroad.

(h) All candidates shall take the following compulsory module:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
ISY3000	International Study Year Module	120	60	60	6		

- (i) If a pass mark is obtained, in addition to a student meeting the criteria for the BSc in Psychology, then the degree of BSc in Psychology with International Study Year will be awarded. Failure to pass

the International Study Year will result in the candidate being transferred to the BSc (Hons) in Psychology award.

4. Stage 3

(a) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
PSY3029	Psychological Enquiry 3 – Psychological Literacy and Professional Skills	10	5	5	6		
PSY3097	Empirical Project	30	15	15	6		

(b) Except as specified in (c) below, candidates shall take 80 credits of optional modules from the following list with no more than 50 credits to be taken in any semester:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
PSY3006	Consumer Psychology	20		20	6		
PSY3058*	Art, Mind and Brain	20	20		6		
PSY3030	Foundations in Forensic and Criminal Psychology	20	20		6		
PSY3039	Clinical Sport & Exercise Psychology	20	20		6		
PSY3059	Shared Minds: Culture, collaboration, and creativity in humans and other animals	20	20		6		
PSY3055	Advanced Statistics for Empirical Psychology	20	20		6		
PSY3049	Evolution of Brain and Behaviour	20	20		6		
PSY3056	The Damaged Brain: Case Studies in Neuropsychology	20		20	6		
PSY3026	Psychology of Religion and Spirituality	20		20	6		
PSY3050	Making Sense of Forgotten Senses: Investigating Olfaction and Gustation.	20		20	6		
PSY3057	Decision Making and Cooperation: Understanding Our Choices	20		20	6		
PSY3060	Psychology of Education: Learning, Teaching and Neurodiversity	20		20	6		

*Module suspended for 2026/27

(c) Candidates may replace 20 credits of the modules listed in (b) above with modules to the value of 20 credits from modules offered by another unit, subject to the approval of the Degree Programme Director and timetabling constraints. Modules must be either Level 5 or Level 6.

(d) Candidates may select the following module during the pre-registration process:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
NCL3007	Career Development for final year students	20	10	10	6		

Only modules listed above can be selected during pre-registration; modules selected from outside the list will be made during registration week and module booking will be subject to both timetabling constraints and capping.

5. Assessment methods

Details of the assessment pattern for each module are explained in the module outline.

6. Degree classification

Candidates will be assessed for degree classification on the basis of all the modules taken at Stages 2 and 3; the weighting of the stages being 1:2. The Professional and Careers Placement years, as well as the International Study Year, do not formally contribute to the degree classification. However, candidates on these awards must pass their placement year/international study year to graduate with the degree title BSc Hons in Psychology with Professional Placement or BSc Hons in Psychology with Placement Year or BSc Hons in Psychology with International Study Year.

7. Exemptions to the University's Taught Programme Regulations

The BSc Honours in Psychology with Professional Placement has a University exemption from the University's Taught Programme Regulations in relation to the offer of a resit opportunity for the Supervisor Report, which forms part of the assessment regime of PSY3000 – see Section 3(d). In the event of any inconsistency between the programme and University regulations in relation to the above section, the programme regulations take precedence over the University regulations.