

# Psychology BSc (Hons)

UCAS Code: C800 | Duration: 3 years | Full-time | Hope Park | 2018/19

Accredited | International students can apply



## Course Overview

Psychology is the exciting scientific study of the mind and behaviour. Psychologists investigate how people perceive the world, structure their thinking, solve problems, interact with other people and much more. Concepts such as perception, cognition, personality and social behaviour are all central building blocks of the psychological theories that are studied at Liverpool Hope as part of a Psychology degree.

Study with us and you will gain a deeper understanding of the scientific and philosophical underpinnings of psychology. At Liverpool Hope University, high-level, research-oriented teaching is provided by our team of skilled academics. Our staff comprise of active researchers with a wide array of academic interests, ranging from cognitive and brain sciences, developmental, clinical and health, forensic, personality and social processes. You will be taught in our excellent research facilities, including labs for experiments in cognition and perception, a colour vision lab, an Eye tracker lab, an EEG lab, an fNIRS lab, observational and transcription labs.

Studying this degree allows you to learn about the brain, the mind, and behaviour, but first and foremost psychologists learn about our fellow humans. We help you to develop professional skills and tools to understand others' needs and provide interventions to enhance mental wellbeing. This is all valuable knowledge that can be used for a better and fairer society.

## Entry Requirements

The standard offer level is between BBB-BBC from A levels or DDM-DMM from BTEC, or 120-112 UCAS tariff points. In addition, you should have GCSE grade C/4 or above (or equivalent) in Mathematics.

## Fees and Additional Costs

The tuition fees for 2018/19 are £9,250 for full-time undergraduate courses.

On top of your tuition fees, you need approximately £250 for the purchasing of key textbooks. There may also be a cost for any fieldtrips; details of costs will be given to you with plenty of notice.

There is a small cost for student BPS membership, and once you graduate, there is a registration fee and annual fee thereafter for Graduate Membership – full details of costs can be found on the BPS website: [www.bps.org.uk](http://www.bps.org.uk)

You will also need to consider the cost of your accommodation each year whilst you study at university.

Visit our accommodation webpages for further details about our Halls of Residence: [www.hope.ac.uk/halls](http://www.hope.ac.uk/halls)



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# Psychology BSc (Hons) Curriculum

## Year One

- History of Psychology
- Personality Psychology
- The Brain and the Central Nervous System
- The Self and Society
- Research Methods and Analysis
- Themes and Debates in Psychology\*
- Replication of Classical Experiments\*
- Applied Areas of Psychology (e.g. forensic, education, clinical, sport, counselling)\*
- Practical issues in Psychology (including writing experimental programmes)\*

## Year Two

- Learning and memory
- Language and Communication
- Social Cognition
- Group processes and dynamics
- Research Methods and Analysis (including empirical practicals in a range of topics)
- Clinical Psychology\*
- Psychopathology\*
- Health Promotion\*
- Forensic Psychology\*

## Year Three

- Mental Health and Wellbeing
- Developmental Psychology (including cognitive, social and moral development)
- Gender Differences in Cognition
- Decision Making and Deductive Reasoning
- Creativity
- Psychopathy of Personality
- Social Cognition in Autism
- Empirical research project leading to Dissertation
- Psychology of Religion\*
- Psychology and Education\*
- Cognitive Neuroscience\*
- Cyberpsychology\*
- Psychology of Peace and Conflict\*

*\*Please note topics marked with a \* are studied by single honours students only.*

## Accreditation

Our degree is accredited by the British Psychological Society (BPS), and upon completion of your studies, given a degree grade of a 2.2 or above, and the completion of your 3rd year research project, you will become eligible for Graduate Basis of Chartered Membership (GBC). This will give you access to the postgraduate training courses of the BPS.

## COURSE STRUCTURE

Teaching on this degree is structured into lectures, where all students are taught together, seminars of smaller groups of around 15-20 students, and tutorials which typically have no more than 10 students. You also have the opportunity to have a one-to-one meeting with your tutor each week.

If you are studying Psychology as a Single Honours degree, in your first year of study there are approximately 12 teaching hours each week, which reduces to approximately 10 teaching hours in your second and third years. If you are studying Psychology as a Combined Honours degree, in your first year of study there are approximately 6 teaching hours each week, which reduces to approximately 5 teaching hours in your second and third years.

On top of teaching hours, you will read relevant texts, and prepare assignments both on your own, and sometimes in groups.

## ASSESSMENT AND FEEDBACK

During your three years of study, you will have a number of assessments, including written exams, essays, reports, portfolios, presentations and assessed laboratory work. In your final year, you will complete a dissertation research project. You will be given written feedback on your assessments, and you will have the opportunity to discuss this with your tutor in more detail.



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