

HONOURS BA PSYCHOLOGY

Psychology is the science that studies human behaviour and mental processes, and it is one of the richest fields of scholarly and scientific research. The BA in psychology deals with the fundamentals of psychology with a particular focus on how we learn, communicate and interact with one another, preparing you for graduate studies in experimental psychology, clinical psychology, in health sciences, in education or in administration.

This program is offered in English and in French.

Learn more about this program (<https://www.uottawa.ca/faculty-social-sciences/psychology/undergraduate/psychology-ba-programs/>)

Program Requirements

The French immersion stream is available with this program.

Requirements for this program have been modified. Please consult the 2024-2025 calendars (<http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives/>) for the previous requirements.

Basic Skills

ENG 1100	Workshop in Essay Writing	3 Units
ENG 1120	Selected Topics in Literature and Composition	3 Units
PHI 1101	Reasoning and Critical Thinking	3 Units
3 course units from:		3 Units
PHI 1102	Moral Reasoning	
PHI 1103	Fundamental Philosophical Questions	
PHI 1104	Great Philosophers	
Total:		12 Units

Compulsory courses

PSY 1101	Introduction to Psychology: Foundations	3 Units
PSY 1102	Introduction to Psychology: Applications	3 Units
PSY 2105	Child Development	3 Units
PSY 2106	Quantitative Methods in Psychology I	3 Units
PSY 2110	Social Psychology	3 Units
PSY 2116	Quantitative Methods in Psychology II	3 Units
PSY 2174	Research Methods and Ethics	3 Units
PSY 2301	Biological Foundations of Behaviour	3 Units
PSY 3307	Psychometric Methods	3 Units
PSY 4130	History and Systems of Psychology	3 Units

Optional courses

One option from the following:		6 Units
Option 1: Thesis		
PSY 4276	Honours Thesis ²	
Option 2: Course Stream		
6 optional course units in psychology (PSY) at the 4000 level		
3 course units from:		3 Units
PSY 3103	Learning and Conditioning	
PSY 3108	Perception	
PSY 3377	Cognition	

21 optional course units in psychology (PSY) at the 3000 or 4000 level	21 Units
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Total: 60 Units

Elective Courses

48 elective course units	48 Units
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Total: 48 Units

The electives may be replaced by a combination of a Minor, Microprogram(s) (http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/undergrad/honours-ba-psychology/en/programs/#filter=filter_19&filter_170&filter_27), and/or elective units.

Note(s)

- ¹ This course has variable topics. Students may take this course twice.
- ² The undergraduate honours thesis PSY 4276 is required for admission in most doctoral programs in psychology.