

The Degree of Bachelor of Psychological Science with Honours* (BPscSc(Hons) – 120 points)

* Subject to CUAP and TEC approval.

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the General Regulations for the University.

1. Version

- (a) These Regulations came into force on 1 January 2026.
- (b) This degree was first offered in 2026.

2. Variations

In exceptional circumstances the Amo Matua, Pūtaiao | Executive Dean of Science or delegate may approve a personal programme of study which does not conform to these regulations.

3. The structure of the qualification

To qualify for the Bachelor of Psychological Science with Honours a student must be credited with at least 120 points towards the qualification including:

- (a) the courses on Schedule C to these Regulations; and
- (b) the remaining courses selected from Schedule E Groups 1 and 2.

4. Admission to the qualification

To be admitted to the Bachelor of Psychological Science with Honours a student must have:

- (a) satisfied the Admission Regulations for admission to the university; and
- (b) either:
 - i. qualified for an Aotearoa New Zealand university degree with a major in Psychology (or a named Psychology degree) with a GPA of at least 6.0 (B+) in 75 points at 300-level in Psychology, including at least a B+ in PSYC375 or equivalent; or
 - ii. qualified for an Aotearoa New Zealand university degree that does not include a Psychology major and completed a qualifying course prescribed by the Tumuaki Tari | Head of Department and approved by the Amo Matua, Pūtaiao | Executive Dean of Science or delegate, with a GPA of at least 6.0 (B+); or
 - iii. been admitted under the regulations for admission with Academic Equivalent Standing for the BPscSc(Hons); and
- (c) applied by the date as specified in the Admission Regulations and selected to be part of the programme. Selection will be based on the GPA of the 75 points of 300-level Psychology; and
- (d) been approved as a student by the Amo Matua, Pūtaiao | Executive Dean of Science or delegate.

5. Subjects

There are no majors, minors or endorsements for this qualification.

6. Time limits

- (a) The time limit for this qualification is 24 months.
- (b) The 30-point research project must be completed within one year.

7. Transfers of credit, substitutions and cross-credits

This qualification adheres to the General Conditions for Credit and Transfer Regulations, with no additional stipulations.

8. Progression

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University, with the following stipulation:

- (a) A student will be withdrawn from the qualification if they fail more than 30 points.

9. Honours, Distinction and Merit

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University and may be awarded with honours.

10. Exit and Upgrade Pathways to other Qualifications

- (a) A student who does not meet the requirements of the Bachelor of Psychological Science with Honours or who wishes to transfer to the Postgraduate Diploma in Psychological Science, the Postgraduate Certificate in Psychological Science, the Postgraduate Certificate in Arts, or the Postgraduate Certificate in Science may, provided they meet the requirements, apply to the relevant Amo Matua | Executive Dean or delegate to be admitted and have courses passed credited to that qualification.
- (b) A student who has completed the requirements for the Bachelor of Psychological Science with Honours from Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha | University of Canterbury with at least a 5.0 (B) Grade Point Average, may, providing they meet the admission requirements for that qualification, apply to the relevant Amo Matua | Executive Dean Master of Arts (Thesis) or the Master of Science in accordance with the General Regulations of the University.

Schedule C: Compulsory Courses for the Degree of Bachelor of Psychological Science with Honours

For full course information, go to courseinfo.canterbury.ac.nz

The following outlines the Core requirements:

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2026	Location	P/C/R/RP/EQ
PSYC678	Advanced Research Methods and Statistics				

And 30 points selected from:

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2026	Location	P/C/R/RP/EQ
PSYC470	Research Project	30	W	Campus	P: B+ grade in PSYC344 (or equivalent) and Subject to approval of the Head of School
PSYC679	Research Project	30	W	Campus	P: B+ grade in PSYC375 (or equivalent) and Subject to approval of the Head of School

Schedule E: Elective Courses for the Degree of Bachelor of Psychological Science with Honours

Group 1

PSYC408-444, PSYC451-489 and PSYC491-499

Group 2

Up to 30 points from CFPY401-CFPY407, SSCL405 or up to 45 points of courses at an equivalent level as approved by the Tumuaki Kura | Head of School.