

Dig deep.

Psychology is all around us. It touches on every aspect of our lives – from our thoughts and motivations to behaviours, interactions and actions.

Study psychology and understand things like:

- why people (and other animals) think and act the way they do
- what factors are needed to produce competent, well-adjusted adults
- how we can predict, influence and change behaviours

“I’m interested in developmental psychology. I’ve always wanted to help people – now I can.”

– Lihini, studying towards a BSc in Psychology



Why psychology?

Psychology uses research, observation and rigorous testing of ideas to give scientific explanations for human behaviours – and the mental processes behind them.

It helps improve mental health and wellbeing, enhance interpersonal communication, apply critical thinking skills, and it complements many other disciplines including science, business, engineering and marketing.

Where can it take me?

As a psychology graduate, your knowledge and understanding of the human mind will be an asset to employers. You can use your unique mix of skills in a diverse range of careers – from analysis and treatment to business, banking, marketing and more.



Why UC Science?

At UC Science you decide where you're going – our job is to help you get there.

We offer heaps of options and flexibility, state-of-the-art facilities, amazing research opportunities (in the lab and the field), and passionate, world-recognised lecturers. Our campus is friendly, compact and based just on the edge of Christchurch city.

BSc Psychology – what you need to know

Entry requirements

University Entrance or equivalent

Level of study

Undergraduate

Useful Year 13 subjects

Biology, science

Start date

February

Length of study

3 years

Degree content includes: Behaviour analysis, behavioural pharmacology and neuropsychology, developmental and social psychology, health, judgement and decision-making, memory, neuroscience, personality, senses and perception.

Career options: Banking, business, government departments including Department of Corrections, clinical psychology, human resource management, manufacturing, marketing, public relations, human and social service agencies, teaching.

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Ask us about fast track to second year for high achievers, extra support to meet entry requirements, catch-up courses for new students and double-degree options.