Psychology at Swinburne

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Overview

• What knowledge and skills do students acquire during their psychology degree at Swinburne?

• What are the most common jobs and careers for psychology graduates?

• Two recent graduates’ experiences
Psychology course outcomes

1. Systematically review and critically evaluate research from a variety of sources
2. Formulate arguments that are fit for purpose
3. Critically analyse information to generate creative solutions to solve complex problems
4. Apply knowledge and skills with responsibility and accountability for learning and practice, individually and in collaboration with others
5. Interpret and communicate ideas, problems and arguments in modes suitable to a range of audiences using a range of media
6. Coherently articulate a line of reasoning demonstrating cultural sensitivity and apply a framework to analyse and offer solutions to ethical dilemmas in local and international context
APAC-accredited sequence in Psychology

- Introduction to Psychology
- Research Methods
- Developmental Psychology
- Psychological Statistics
- Cognition and Human Performance
- Social Psychology
- Psychology of Personality
- Abnormal Psychology
- History and Philosophy of Psychology
- Psychology Project

- Bachelor of Psychological Sciences
- Bachelor of Psychology (Honours)
- Bachelor of Health Science with a major in Psychology and Psychophysiology
- Bachelor of Health Science with a major in Psychology and Forensic Science
Career paths in Psychology

• About one-third of students choose to undertake further study in order to work as psychologists

• Psychology has well-established career paths

• Forecast to have high employment growth during the next decade

• Many people take up a career related to psychology after completion of a three-year degree
Career outcomes with Psychology

• Community services and counselling
  – Welfare
  – Child protection
  – Corrections
  – Disability
  – Youth
  – Drugs and alcohol work

• Business
  – Market research
  – Public relations
  – Human resources
  – Recruitment

• Education
  – Support services

• Health services
  – Nursing
  – Speech pathology
  – Occupational therapy
  – Research

• Graduate programs
What is unique to Psychology at Swinburne?

• Flexibility to complete units relevant to degree both on-campus and online

• Access to majors, minors, and electives that are unique nationally and internationally

• Opportunities to participate in research laboratories as an undergraduate student

• Emphasis on employability and applied knowledge
Work Integrated Learning

• Professional degrees
• Professional placements
• Industry study tours
Pathways at Swinburne

• Diploma of Health Science (UniLink)
  – guaranteed entry with ATAR of 50
  – Credit towards a Bachelor of Health Science

• Vocational courses
  – entry with ATAR below 50
  – may offer credit towards a related degree
Questions?