School of Psychology Honours 2023



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- Why do Honours?
- Two streams
- Work and Research in Applied Psychology
- Entry requirements, enrolment and application procedure

Why do honours?

- If you are interested in research, an Honours degree will make you eligible to apply for a PhD level program.
- If you'd like to become a practicing psychologist, then you need a 4 year accredited sequence.
 - At the end of this program you will have met the qualification requirements for provisional registration as a psychologist.
 - You can either seek supervised practice to achieve full registration or complete a relevant Masters/Doctorate level program.

Why do honours at UQ?

- Ranked 32nd best Psychology School/Dept in the world in the 2022 QS World University rankings.
- UQ School of Psychology is one of the strongest research departments in Australia.
- We are active researchers who cover a broad and diverse range of areas.
- We offer one of the few 4th year programs in the country with a work-integrated learning component.
- UQ provides excellent opportunities for postgraduate research and professional training (PhD, professional doctorate, and masters).

Why do honours at UQ?

- 4th Year/Honours year builds on the APAC accredited three-year sequence to:
 - provide an integrated and comprehensive education in psychology.
 - introduce applied aspects of psychology.
 - permit advanced study in a range of fields in psychology.
 - provide experience and training in aspects of advanced research.
- The program aims to foster the transition from the undergraduate program to the areas of postgraduate specialisation, but does not, however, include training in an area of specialisation itself.



Honours is extremely intensive and requires a large commitment.

Two Streams

Research Stream



Work-integrated Stream





PSYC4050	Psychological Research Methodology IV	2 units	Core
PSYC4071	Individual Research Thesis	8 units	Core
PSYC4091	Team Supervised Thesis	6 units	Core
PSYC4121	The Scientist-Practitioner Model	2 units	Core
PSYC4221	Work and research in applied psychology	2 units	Core. Team Thesis Students Only
PSYC4###	Elective	2 units	Elective
PSYC4###	Seminar	2 units	Elective

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PSYC4050	Psychological Research Methodology IV	2 units	Core
	Brendan Zietsch		

PSYC4121	The Scientist-Practitioner Model	2 units	Core
	Theresa Scott		

Thesis

Seminars

Semester 1

PSYC4881



Dave Sewell





Stefanie Becker

PSYC4883



Derek Arnold

PSYC4884



Hannah Filmer

PSYC4885



Theresa Scott

PSYC4886



Alan Pegna

Semester 2



Estrella Paterson



Barbara Masser



Courtney von Hippel



Alex Puckett



Julie Henry



Kristiana Ludlow

Electives

Semester 1

PSYC4211



Alex Haslam

From Classic to Contemporary Topics in Organisational Psychology

PSYC4982



Jason Mattingley
Current Issues in Psychology II

Semester 2

PSYC4191



Jo Brown

Improving Human Performance

PSYC4071

Individual Research Thesis

8 units

Core

7000-8000 words

You should therefore spend at least 50% of your time (20 hours a week) working on your thesis project.

PSYC4091

Team Supervised Thesis

6 units Core

5000-6000 words

37.5%

You should therefore spend at least 37.5% of your time (15 hours a week) working on your thesis project.



Research Stream and Work-integrated Stream 🕍



PSYC4071	Individual Research Thesis	8 units	Core
PSYC4091	Team Supervised Thesis	6 units	Core





Research Stream and Work-integrated Stream AND Research Stream



PSYC4071	Individual Research Thesis	8 units	Core
PSYC4091	Team Supervised Thesis	6 units	Core

Prioritisation Under Pressure: The Effect of Deliberation Time on Multiple Goal Pursuit



Research Stream and Work-integrated Stream



PSYC4071	Individual Research Thesis	8 units	Core	
PSYC4091	Team Supervised Thesis	6 units	Core	

Maximising Our Chances to Detect the Effects of tACS: Investigating the Sensitivity of A

Regression-Based Statistical Approach Under Various Experimental Scenarios



Research Stream and Work-integrated Stream and Stream



PSYC4071	Individual Research Thesis	8 units	Core
PSYC4091	Team Supervised Thesis	6 units	Core

To Help or to Harm? An Investigation of Affirmative Action, Stereotype Threat and

Women's Communication



Research Stream and Work-integrated Stream and Stream



PSYC4071	Individual Research Thesis	8 units	Core
PSYC4091	Team Supervised Thesis	6 units	Core

The effectiveness of refutation for addressing misconceptions:

A systematic review and meta-analysis



Research Stream and Work-integrated Stream



PSYC4071	Individual Research Thesis	8 units	Core
PSYC4091	Team Supervised Thesis	6 units	Core

Trends and Associates of Non-Medical Prescription Opioid Use in Australia



Research Stream and Work-integrated Stream Market



PSYC4071	Individual Research Thesis	8 units	Core
PSYC4091	Team Supervised Thesis	6 units	Core

Mechanisms of Mindfulness Meditation and Loving-Kindness Meditation

for Pain Management



Research Stream and Work-integrated Stream AND Stream



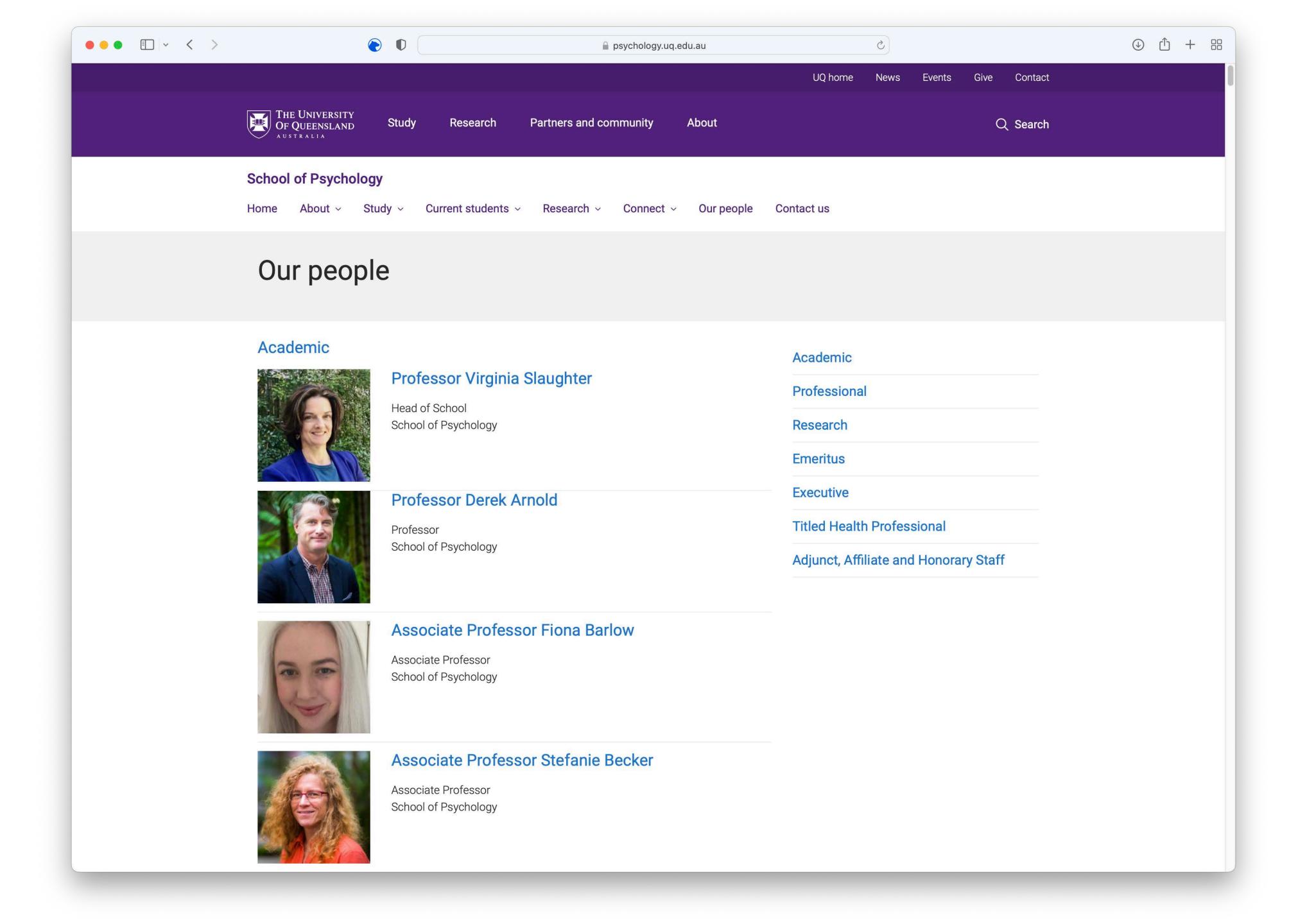
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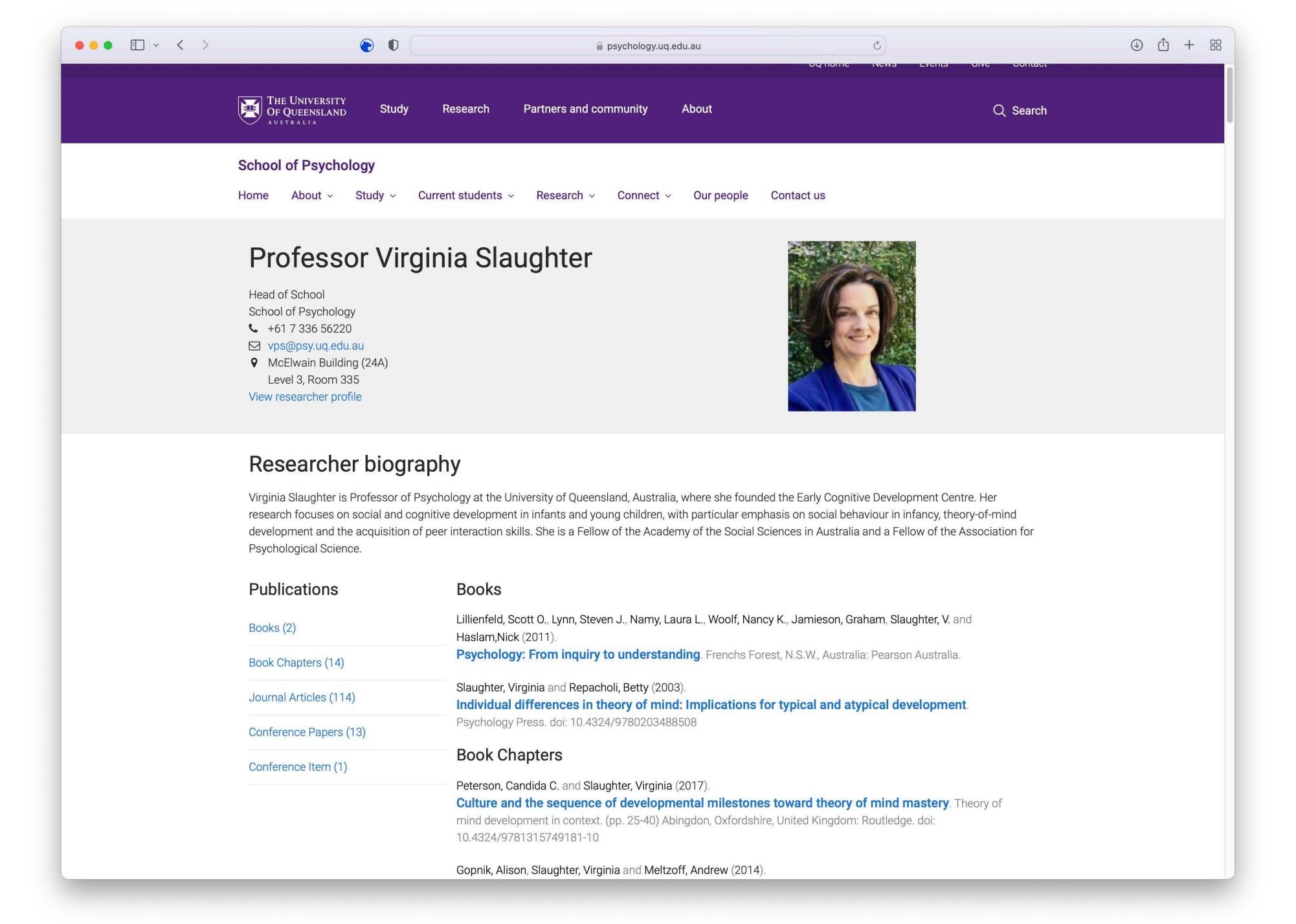
The Role of Alpha and Gamma Brain Oscillations in Integrated Perceptual Decision-Making

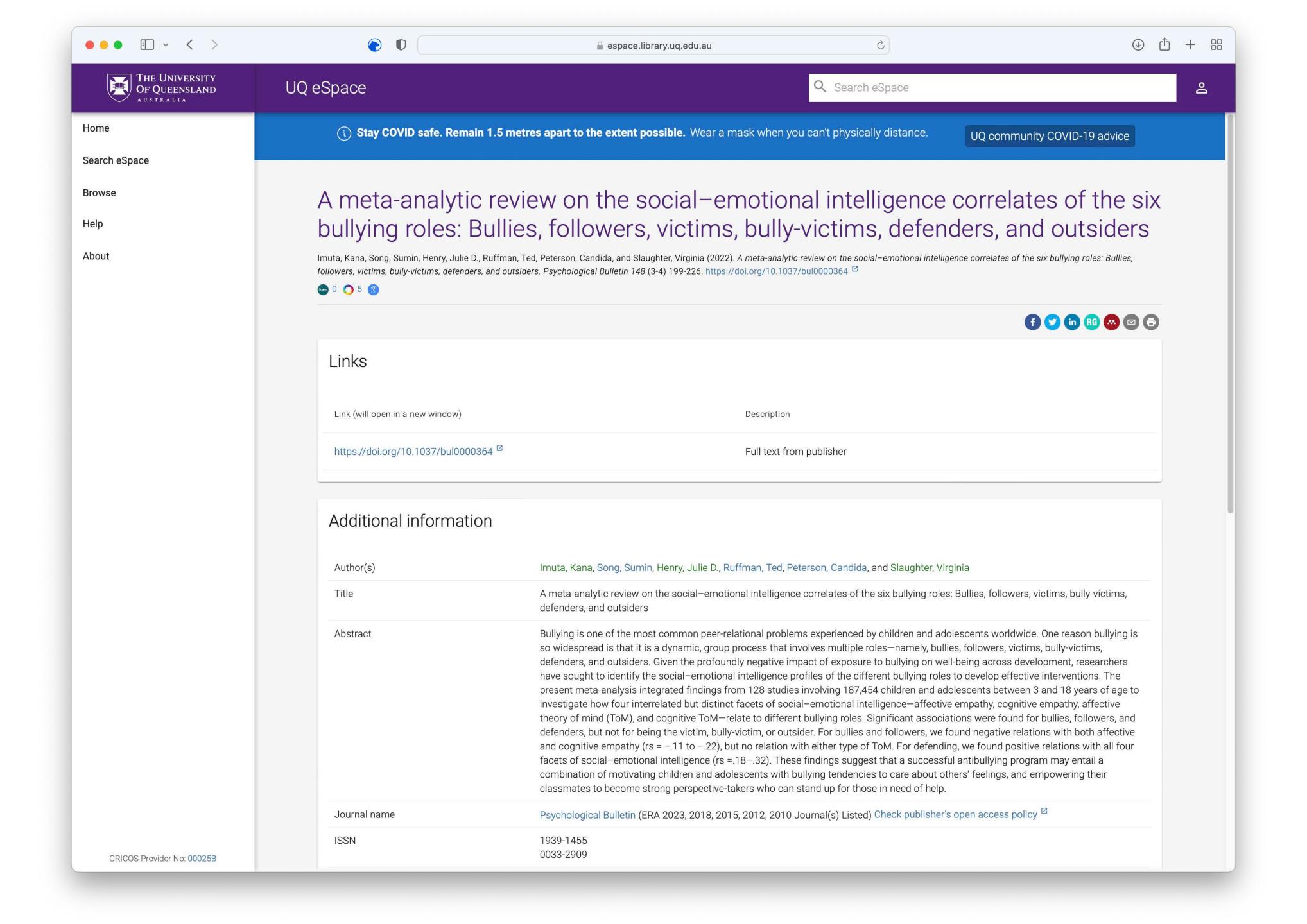


PSYC4071 Individual Research Thesis 8 units Core

Start thinking about who you'd like to work with now!









PSYC4091

Team Supervised Thesis

6 units

Core

Derek Arnold

Eric Vanman

Kana Imuta

Brendan Zietsch

James Kirby

Alina Morawska

Virginia Slaughter

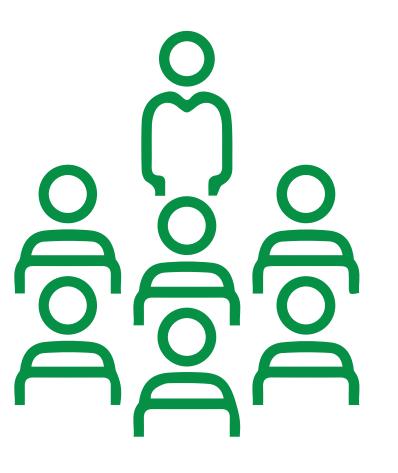
Each team will be assigned ~20 students and a tutor.

You'll be asked to nominate your preferred stream by **9 December**.

Research Stream

Work-integrated Stream





WRAP

Work and Research in Applied Psychology

Course Coordinator:

Semester 1: Dr Natasha Matthews Semester 2: Dr Nik Steffens

Course aims

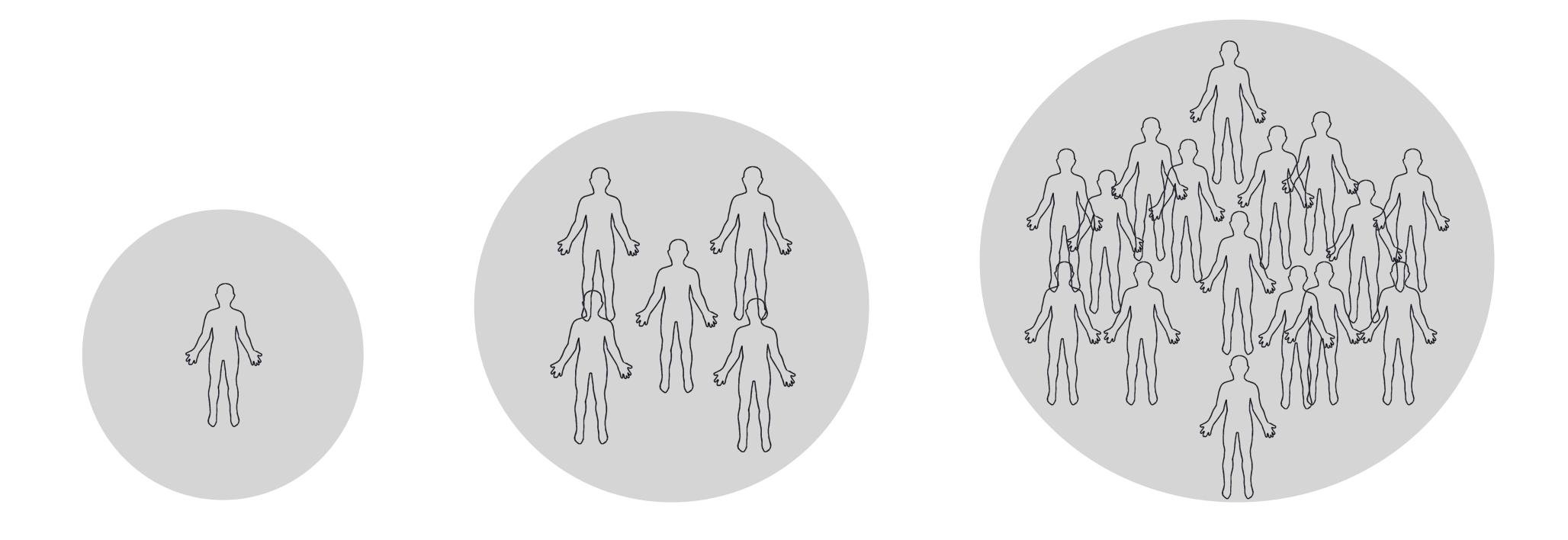
This course has been designed to provide fourth year students with the opportunity to gain an understanding of the **practical applications** of their psychology degree to employment. The course will include a **work integrated learning** component requiring students to undertake work experience placement within an organisation arranged by the School.

Overview of course structure

On campus workshops Work placement Assessment Preparation for Pre-placement placement portfolio **Employer** expectations and Minimum 60hrs workplace culture (recommended 1 day per 4 Weekly reflections week) Reflecting on skills Placement debrief Mock Interview Poster presentation Poster presentation

- Compulsory for all work integrated stream students.
 - Completed in semester 1 OR 2

"I want to use my degree to help people"



Overlapping skill sets: Measure, understand and change behaviour

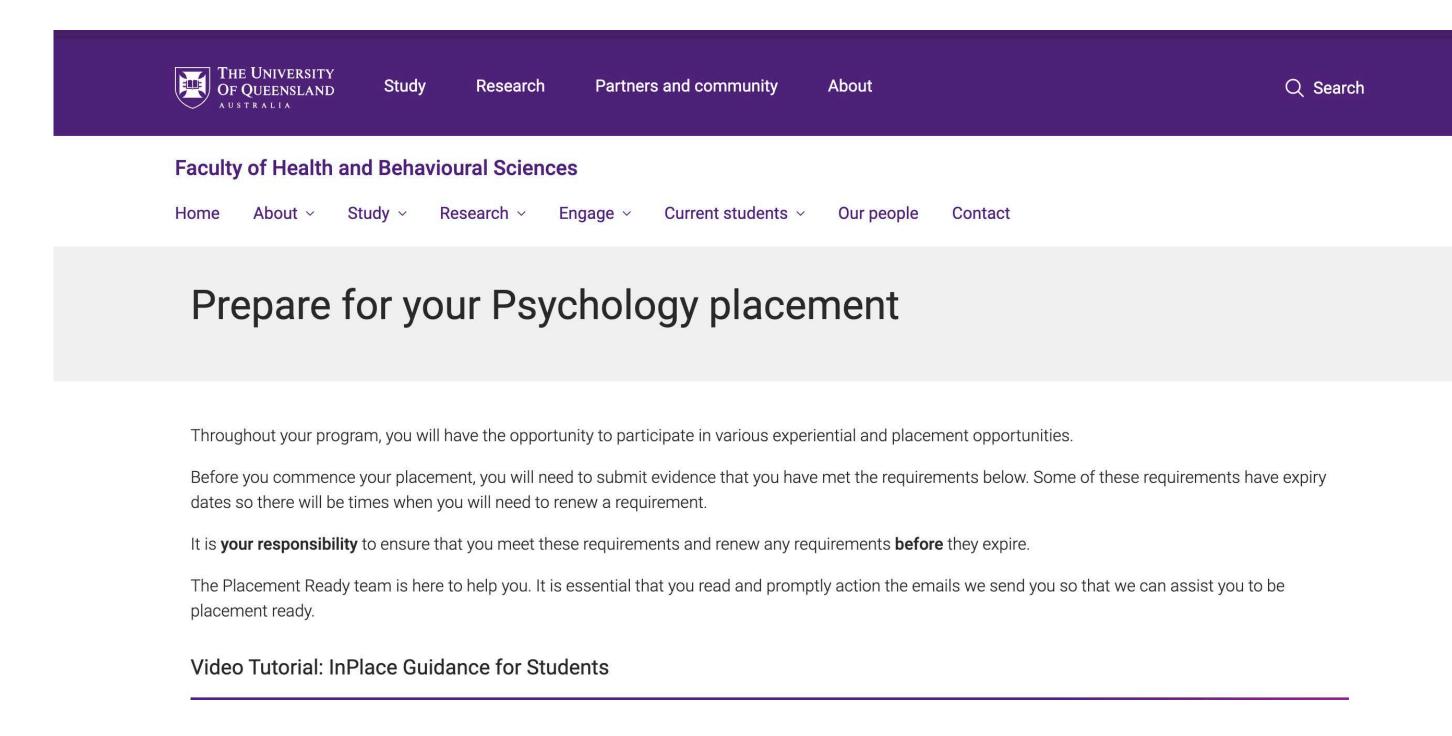
Diverse placement opportunities

Clinical psychology/ Consulting **Organisational** private psychology practice Queensland Community Health/ Non-profit support hospital Behaviour Policy/ Modification/ **Education** Government Program development

Placement matching timeline

- Placement are arranged prior to the start of semester:
- 2 weeks before
 - Student receive a list of available placements
- 1 week before
 - Compulsory placement orientation session
 - Attend compulsory placement interview
 - Students enter placement preferences
- First week of semester
 - Students received placement matches

PLEASE MONITOR YOUR UQ EMAIL TO ENSURE YOU DO NOT MISS THIS INFORMATION PRIOR TO THE START OF SEMESTER



https://habs.uq.edu.au/prepare-your-psychology-placement

- Before students undertake placement activities a number of health and safety requirements need to be met
- The exact requirements differ depending on your placement type/location
- Completion of these requirements will impact on the placements you are eligible for
- Requirements will be different for students completing the course externally

Mandatory Requirements

Year 4

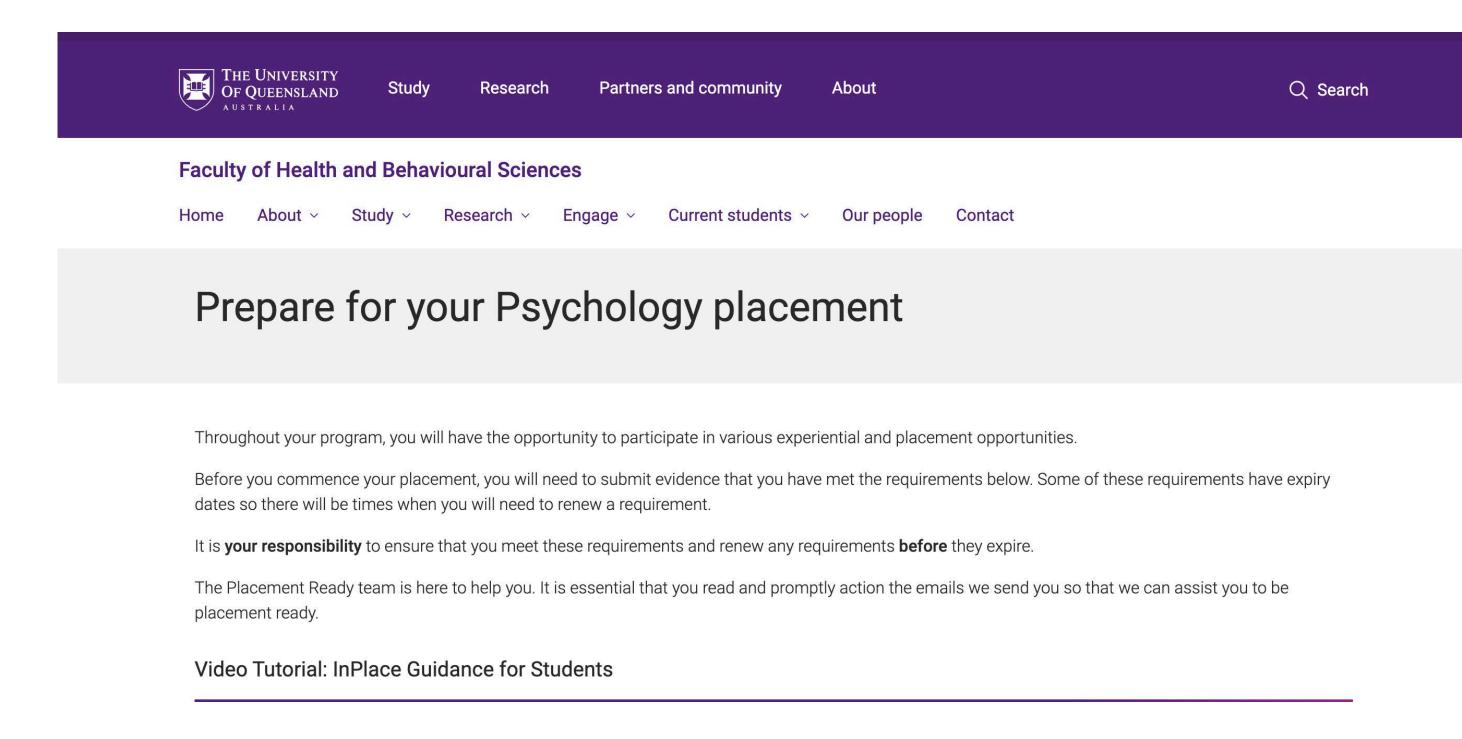
Sem 1 2023

You MUST provide evidence of the following prior to your semester of enrolment into the Year 4 Work Integrated Learning course;

PSYC4221 Work and Research in Applied Psychology.

Blue Card	
Blue Cards are valid for 3 years. If your Blue Card is due to expire while you are still enrolled in your program it must be renewed by the due date.	16 January 2023
HaBS Placement Safety Modules	16 (0000
There are two modules to complete.	16 January 2023
COVID-19 vaccination	
This is a mandatory requirement for all students enrolled in this program. If you have not previously provided evidence showing that you are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, you must do so by the deadline. It is strongly recommended	16 January 2023
that you also upload evidence of your COVID-19 Booster Doses as many providers are requesting this as an additional requirement.	
<u>Disability Worker Screening Clearance (Yellow Card)</u>	16 January 2023
National Police Certificate (& Statutory Declaration if applicable)	
National Police Certificates are valid for 3 years. If your NPC is due to expire while you are still enrolled in your program it should be renewed.	16 January 2023

Possible Requirements		
If you wish to be considered for a placement in a healthcare setting, then you will need to complete the items below.		
Immunisation Record (Form A)		
If you have not previously completed this item, you must complete by the deadline. If you have previously completed, follow-up doses or renewals may be required and must be completed by the deadline or before the expiry/recall date.	16 January 2023	
Flu vaccination	16 January 2023	
Qld Health Orientation Checklist		
Some iLearn modules require annual renewal. The Qld Health Orientation checklist must be re-submitted with updated completion dates upon renewal of these modules.	16 January 2023	
Qld Health Student Deed Poll		
As of 1st July 2022, a new QLD Health Student Deed Poll must be submitted for each HHS you attend whilst on placement.	To be completed once your QLD Health placement is confirmed.	
<u>Qld Health iLearn modules</u>		
Some modules require annual renewal. If you are undertaking a placement in a Qld Health Facility, the Qld Health Orientation checklist must be re-submitted with updated completion dates upon renewal of these modules.	16 January 2023	
Qld Health Evidence Record for Allied Health student training		
Some modules require annual renewal. If you are undertaking a placement in a Qld Health Facility, the Evidence Record of Allied Health Student Training must be re-submitted with updated completion dates upon renewal of these modules.	16 January 2023	



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 The majority of requirements can be completed once you have your honours stream confirmed (you will be contacted once you can commence completing these requirements)

 However, you will need to plan in advance for the immunisation requirements.



What is a Student Immunisation Record?

/ Current students / Prepare for your placement

For your own safety and the safety of your clients you are required to demonstrate immunity to vaccine preventable diseases **before you commence your placement**. Students who are not fully immunised put themselves, clients and placement providers at risk through potential contamination or spreading of infection and diseases. You will not be able to attend your placement until your immunisation record has been verified and approved by the UQ Immunisation Record Team.

To demonstrate your immunity, you are required to submit a Student Immunisation Record that has been completed by your registered General Medical Practitioner (GP). The type of record you will need to complete will depend on the program you are enrolled in. See below for further information.

Do I need an Influenza vaccination?

Your placement provider may require you to have an annual influenza vaccination and you will be notified if you are required to submit evidence of this. However, even if you are not required to do so, it is highly recommended that all students are vaccinated against influenza annually in order to protect yourself and your vulnerable clients. See below for further information.

Information for Dentistry, Nursing and Midwifery students - Exposure Prone Procedures Statement renewal

If you are an undergraduate Dentistry, Nursing or Midwifery student, you are also required to renew your 'Exposure Prone Procedures Statement' within three years of the submission of your initial Immunisation Record. See below for further information.

- Placements in health care settings (including Queensland Health facilities) require evidence of immunisation:
 - Vaccine preventable diseases (measles, mumps, rubella, whooping cough, chickenpox)
 - Hepatitis B
 - Full course of vaccination can take ~ 3 months
- In order to be eligible for the placements students must have their immunisations up to date

Placement readiness timeline: Semester 1

Activity	Date
Verify that your immunizations are up to date and complete any outstanding course of immunization	From now
Apply for Blue Card, Yellow Card, and National Police Certificate.	
Complete HaBS modules	Once your honours stream is confirmed (mid December)
Upload immunisation evidence	
Due date for all compliance evidence to be uploaded	January 16th

Self-sourced placements

- Course staff source a wide variety of placement opportunities and vet these for suitability
- Students can source their own placements if they have an interest in a particular area or already are already involved in a relevant role that meet the requirements of a placement for the course.
- The placement must meet the following requirements to be considered:
 - Be relevant to the course and degree
 - No conflict of interest between student and organisation (https://
 integrityinvestigations.uq.edu.au/support-and-advice/conflict-interest)
 - Consist of unpaid work
 - Student must be enrolled in the course before commencing placement
- If you would like to self source a placement you must contact the Course Coordinator and Placement Coordinator to discuss no later than 6th January 2023

Things to consider when choosing your Honours stream

- Your strengths
- Preference for group/individual thesis work
- Time commitment and flexibility
- Desire to do your research on a particular/specific topic
- Desire regarding depth of project and research skill acquisition
- Contact with supervisor
- Desire to be in a lab group setting
- Timetabling limitations

Questions?

Entry requirements, enrolment and application procedure

- BPsySc(Hons) students
 - All years 1-3 degree requirements completed (#48 units). No online application required.

BA/BSc Students

 Degree complete by the end of Semester 2, 2022. GPA of at least a 5.0 required across second and third year psychology extended major courses. Online applications required by 31 October 2022 (https://psychology.uq.edu.au/study/honours/ honours-application-details).

Entry requirements, enrolment and application procedure

Other options

- If you have completed #48 units of the BPsySc (Hons) then you can withdraw and be awarded the BBehSci.
- You should consider this option if you do not require 4th Year/ Honours in Psychology for your chosen career path.
- Many postgraduate programs DO NOT require a 4-year/ Honours degree for entry (eg: master of audiology, mental health, counselling, speech pathology, business).

Entry requirements, enrolment and application procedure

- If you have changed programs into the Bachelor of Psychological Science (Hons) program, make sure you have applied for credit transfer to your new program.
- Feel free to contact Sarah cpsychonours@psy.uq.edu.au
 and she can check for you.

GPA

- Research vs. Work-integrated stream determined by preference, but GPA may have to be used if one stream is oversubscribed.
- Multiply the number of units by the grade achieved for the course. Then add these results together and divide by the sum of units for all the courses.

GPA = (Units x Grade) + (Units x Grade) / (SUM number of Units)

- All years 1-3 courses, including credit and electives, are used in the GPA calculation for BPsySc(Hons). For BA/BSc applicants, only second and third year psychology extended major courses are used.
- Grades for repeated attempts at courses will be averaged for the GPA.

Entry Timeline

BPsySc (Hons) students

- Potentially eligible students (based on number of completed units) will be emailed regarding their intention to progress. Ineligible students will not be contacted.
- Another email will be sent with an offer of progression in early December and you will be asked to nominate preferred stream.
- If you wish to exit with the BBehSci, please let us know and we will advise of the process (psychonours@psy.uq.edu.au).

For BA/BSc Students

- Applicants will be notified of the outcome in early December. You will be asked to nominate preferred stream.

Communication

- Keep the offer letter and attachments!
- You must check your student email account regularly during December, January & February.
- If you are beginning Honours in 2023, we will be in touch in early 2023 to notify you of:
 - 'Meet the Supervisors' session (Jan 2023).
 - How to indicate your preferences for supervisors (Research and Team).
 - A compulsory orientation session in O-Week.

O-Week starts 13 February 2023 Semester 1 starts 20 February 2023

Enrolment

- University enrolment is via SI-net
 - Enrol in the individual courses.
 - NOTE: #2 unit seminar courses are not yet finalised for 2023, so there will not be a full list.
- Enrolment for your seminar course will take place after you attend the O week
 4th year orientation session in Feb 2023.

Enrolment (2 unit seminars)

- Enrolment limit in each is 25 to allow an opportunity for debate and discussion.
 - Note that the structure and workload of the seminar courses is similar.
 - The aim is to foster critical analysis and debate about theories and issues.
- Enrolment will open via SI-net after the Orientation meeting in O-Week February.
- When the quota is reached no further enrolments will be permitted.

Supervisor Preferences

- Information and the online preference form will be available in January 2023 (more details will be emailed with offer letters).
- We will potentially run a 'meet the supervisor' session in January 2023.
- It's important to check your student email account from December February for offer and supervisor information.

Take the time to read through the projects of multiple supervisors.

Honours Supervision

- Both streams: You will be notified prior to Week 1 of who your supervisor is.
- Supervisors are not expected to engage in detailed discussion about thesis projects before Semester 1, but you may contact them to get reading material.
- Supervisors will be academics/affiliates in/with the School of Psychology

What you need to do

- Check your email regularly and respond quickly.
- Complete online supervisor preference form by the due date in January (details to be sent to student email addresses).
- Enrol as directed in your notification email.
- Attend 4th year orientation session.
- If you decide to withdraw, cancel your enrolment on SI-net AND let the School know.

We will not be informed if you cancel your enrolment.

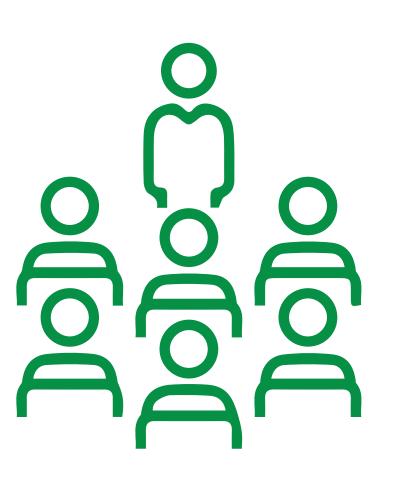
You'll be asked to nominate your preferred stream by **9 December**.

Research Stream

OR

Work-integrated Stream





Questions?

What if I don't do Honours?

Doing Honours in Psychology is a very rewarding endeavour.

- But it is not for everyone.
 - Your thesis is not like course work.
 - Less structure, less support from textbooks, lectures, etc.
- The best outcomes arise when students are genuinely curious about the topic they are studying.

• Inertia should not be the thing pushing you into Honors.

 Psychology is a diverse discipline, with an even broader range of practical applications. So, it can be tricky to understand the types of jobs and careers available to graduates.

What skills do you have already?

- Statistics and research methods
- Critical/logical thinking
- Research/Writing

Options beyond "Psychologist":

Can focus on a related helping field

- counseling, social work, occupational therapy...
- Bachelors degree (3years) offers pathway to other postgraduate programs of study (check program requirements)
 - e.g. Master of Social Work
 - Master of Business Psychology

Can focus on a career path outside of psychology

- what you learn in psychology can be applied to other fields and occupations
 - o general methodology & statistics skills
 - theories and research on particular topics / issues
- Bachelors degree is sufficient in many cases.

Master of Social Work (School of Nursing, Midwifery and Social Work)

- Graduates of the Master of Social Work Studies work across the public, private and not-for profit sectors.
- Employment opportunities are diverse and graduates may find themselves working in any number of areas, including:
- health services
- family support
- child protection
- community development
- disability services
- mental health
- youth work and youth justice
- drug and alcohol services
- migrant and refugee services
- correctional services
- private practice.

Options beyond "Psychologist":

Human Resource Management

Work Force Selection and Training

Mediation

Market Research

Advertising

Government Policy & Planning

Health, Disability Services, Corrections, Education, Department of Families, Australian Bureau of Statistics

Test Development and Evaluation

Residential Care Work

Technology: Product Development and Evaluation

Fund-raising for Non-Profit Organisations

What to do and when...

- If you are considering exiting with a 3-year psychology degree, your first contact should be with us.
- An email to Sarah Kirkland <psychonours@psy.uq.edu.au> would suffice.
- We schedule a meeting with me to discuss options.
- The faculty do graduation checks at the start of September.
 - Letting us know before that would be good.
- The faculty can accommodate changes up to 1 month prior to graduations.

Questions?