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The courses included here are some of UQ’s most popular psychology courses for study abroad and incoming exchange students. Additional courses may be available depending on previous study.

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Neuroscience for Psychologists
PSYC2020

Semester 1 and 2 (February and July start)
All psychological phenomena are based in the brain and nervous system. This course overviews the rapidly expanding discipline of neuroscience as relevant to psychologists. Topics include the structure and function of sensory systems, neuropsychological aspects of attention, neural changes during learning, cortical control of executive functions and language, control of movement and skilled actions, and the biological bases of common perceptual, movement and mental disorders.

Psychology of Criminal Justice
PSYC2361

Semester 1 (February start)
(Quota 110 enrolments)
How effective is our law and justice system? Why are mistakes made? In this course, you will follow the fictional crime from when it is committed, during the investigation phase, through to the trial. By experiencing a fictional case first hand, you will learn about the psychology of law and some of the misconceptions commonly held about criminal justice.
The Science of Everyday Thinking
PSYC2371

**Semester 1 (February start)**
Why do people believe weird things? How do we form and change our opinions? How can we make better decisions? In this course, we explore everyday thinking. We will discuss and debate medical diagnosis, paranormal phenomena, placebos, miracles, and more. You will learn how to evaluate claims, make sense of evidence, and understand why we so often make irrational choices. More information at Think101.org

Developmental Psychology
PSYC2030

**Semester 1 and 2 (February and July start)**
How do we transform from inexperienced infants to worldly adults? How do we learn to speak? To share toys and navigate social relationships? To act in ways appropriate to our culture? To make moral judgments? In this introduction to developmental psychology, we’ll explore the variety of changes that begin in infancy and continue through adulthood.

Social & Organisational Psychology
PSYC2040

**Semester 1 and 2 (February and July start)**
How do humans relate to each other? Why do we love, hate, or act aggressively? This course will cover theory and research on topics such as aggression, emotion, stereotyping, prejudice, love, attraction, and the psychology of the workplace. You will be guided through the research process, from designing a study, to collecting and analysing data, to writing up a scientific report.

Developmental Disorders of Childhood
PSYC2311

**Semester 2 (July start)**
Are you interested in learning about developmental disorders like autism, ADHD, sensory disorders, anxiety and mood disorders from experienced clinical psychologists? Everyone associated with the course is able to talk from personal experience about issues related to diagnosis, assessment and treatment of specific disorders, as well as more general theoretical issues related to causes of disorders in development and the implications of various disorders for the understanding of normal development. You will learn how our explanation of a diagnosis is directly linked to treatment and how treatment choice is influenced by various theoretical perspectives.
Psychotherapies & Counselling
PSYC3082
Semester 2 (July start)
What is psychotherapy? In this course you will explore some of the most recognised and well-supported theories of psychotherapy. You will learn and view videos demonstrating micro counselling skills, psychodynamic therapy, person centred therapy, interpersonal therapy, behaviour therapy, cognitive behaviour therapy, and acceptance and commitment therapy. We will also look at some of the ethical and process issues therapists need to be mindful of when working with clients.

Psychopathology
PSYC3102
Semester 1 (February start)
What is it like to experience a mental illness? In this course, you will learn about how mental disorders are diagnosed and managed and the research that attempts to explain how and why these problems develop. People with mental disorders will speak with you about their lived experience of mental health problems. Case studies are also used to expand understanding of how mental disorders are experienced. You learn and practice basic clinical decision-making skills in small groups.

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• Some courses assume pre-requisite knowledge or require a co-requisite enrolment
• Students are advised to bring their academic transcripts with them
• The semester in which a course is offered may change from year to year.

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Parenting & Family Psychology
PSYC3312
Semester 2 (July start)
We all come from a family and have ideas, opinions and feelings about how families function. Research and intuition tell us that the family environment is central to children’s development and for later adult functioning and adjustment. In this course, we will explore parenting and family interactions, as well as examine different family structures and functions, including parenting across cultures. We will explore functional and dysfunctional family relationships and behaviours, parenting practices, and effective ways to assess such interactions.

Topics in Social Psychology
PSYC3032
Semester 2 (July start)
Are you interested in how and why people influence each other’s thoughts, feelings, and behaviours? These are the key questions addressed in this course. We start by examining the motivation for esteem, belonging, control, autonomy, and understanding, and then talk about perceiving others, affect, attitude formation and change, stereotypes and prejudice. You will learn about the latest findings and current topics of debate in the field of social psychology.