

### ***How does BPsySci (Hons) differ from BPsySci?***

From 2016 onwards, students can only enter the Bachelor of Psychological Science (Honours) and the Bachelor of Psychological Science will not be taking new enrolments. Students currently in Bachelor of Psychological Science will be given the opportunity to program change into the new program Bachelor of Psychological Science (Honours).

The program is essentially the same. There are only a few changes as listed below:

<b>Bachelor of Psychological Science</b>	<b>Bachelor of Psychological Science (Honours)</b>
Only students invited to undertake the individual thesis stream graduate with an honours class	All students graduate with an honours class.
Only second & third year psychology courses are used for GPA calculation for to determine eligibility for the Honours stream, including grades for courses credited to the program from other study.	All courses completed in years 1-3, including grades for courses credited from previous study, will be used for GPA calculation to determine eligibility for the group or individual thesis.
Students in the pass stream complete a #6 group thesis and 2 x #2 electives.	All students will complete an #8 thesis (either group project or individual, according to GPA) and 1 x #2 elective.

### ***When am I eligible for 4<sup>th</sup> year/honours in psychology?***

When you have completed #48 units, including all the degree requirements in Years 1 -3 of the BPsySci/BPsySci(Hons).

### ***What is the GPA for selection into the individual or group project?***

The individual thesis cut-off GPA can vary from year to year depending on demand and course quota. All BA, BSc & BPsySci/BPsySci(Hons) students with a GPA of between 5.0 - 5.49 calculated on published courses will be offered a place in the group project. All BA, BSc & BPsySci/BPsySci(Hons) students with a GPA of above a 5.5 may be offered a place in the individual project depending on the individual thesis cut-off for the particular year. This cut-off can be higher than a 5.5.

For those who have completed the required courses, an email will be sent confirming whether you are progressing to 4<sup>th</sup> year and whether you will enter the individual or group honours project.

### ***What courses do you use in calculating the GPA for BPsySc?***

Core second and third year psychology courses, plus third year psychology electives up to a total of 16 third year units.

### ***What courses do you use in calculating the GPA for BPsySc(Hons)?***

All courses completed in Years 1 - 3, including non-psychology electives and credit transferred.

**How do you calculate my GPA?**

Multiply the number of units by the grade achieved for the course. Then add these results together and divide by the sum of the units for all the courses. This includes failed courses and repeated courses. More information can be found in [myAdvisor](#).

**What is included in the fourth year?**

All students complete #16 units in total, comprising of #13 units compulsory and #3-5 elective courses.

<b>BPsySci(Hons)</b> #2 PSYC4050 #1 PSYC4060 #2 PSYC4121 #8 Thesis (PSYC4071/4092) #1 Seminar #2 Elective	<b>BPsySci</b> #2 PSYC4050 #1 PSYC4060 #2 PSYC4121 #6 Thesis (PSYC4091) #1 Seminar #4 Elective
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**What if I've completed #48 units of the BPsySc and I've decided I don't want to do a fourth year?**

You can opt to graduate with a Bachelor of Behavioural Science (BBehavSci). Before you do this, you must speak with the Deputy Head of School (Teaching & Learning) to understand the implications. You can make an appointment through [hospa@psy.uq.edu.au](mailto:hospa@psy.uq.edu.au). Factors to consider if graduating with a BBehavSci, or interrupting study before commencing honours, is provided below.

<b>Graduating with BBehavSci</b>	<b>Interrupting</b>
Useful if you are looking to work or start another degree (that requires a 3 year degree)	Useful if you wish to travel, work a little bit or just take some time off.
No return required*	Expected to return in 1 year
Formal qualification (would meet the requirements for a psych 4th year elsewhere)	No formal qualification received (can have a letter stating completed years 1-3 of a 4-year program)
Cannot go on to further study in psychology without returning	Can return to finish fourth year with no paperwork.

\* Students can choose to surrender their Bachelor of Behavioural Science award and re-enter the BPsySc (Hons) after exiting but there are strict timelines around this process and

students may be required to undertake additional work or provide evidence of currency with the discipline. Additionally, students must have been exited for a full year in order to reapply.