HONOURS SPECIALIZATION IN PSYCHOLOGY - B.Sc.

Purpose of Honours Specialization B.Sc. Module: To provide a thorough grounding in the principles of Psychology for students who may wish to pursue graduate training in Psychology and for students who prefer a more research-intensive approach to the study of Psychology than is provided under either the Major or Minor programs in Psychology. This module focuses on the biological foundations of behavior, with courses primarily in the areas of neuroscience, cognition, sensation, and perception.

Admission Requirements: To be eligible for admission to the Honours Specialization in Psychology B.Sc. program, students must complete 5.0 first-year courses by May 1, with no failures, and must have an average of at least 75% in 3.0 principal courses, with no mark in these principal courses below 60% (however, because this is a competitive program, the cut-off average is usually above the minimum of 75% - currently the actual cut-off is 80%). The principal courses must include the following first-year courses: 1.0 credits Psychology 1000, 1.0 credits Mathematics, 1.0 credits Biology and 1.0 credits in Chemistry, Physics or Computer Science. Please see the “Mathematics Requirements” under Future Students on our Psychology Undergraduate homepage, where it lists first-year Math courses and their high school prerequisites. The recommended first-year university Math courses are Math 1228A/B and Statistical Sciences 1024A/B. Please see the Western Calendar for high school prerequisites for Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Computer Science.

A student may combine a Psychology Honours Specialization B.Sc. with a Minor or a Major in a different discipline.

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1.0 credits Psychology 1000
1.0 credits Math (recommend Math 1228A/B and Stats 1024A/B)
1.0 credits Biology 1001A or 1201A and 1202B
1.0 credits from: Chemistry 1301A/B, 1302A/B; Computer Science 1025A/B, 1026A/B 1027A/B; Physics 1028A/B, 1029A/B, 1301A/B, 1302A/B, 1501A/B and 1502A/B,
2.0 credits Psychology 2800E and Psychology 2810
1.0 credits from: Psychology 2115A/B, 2134A/B, 2135A/B, 2210A/B, 2220A/B and 2221A/B
1.0 credits in Psychology numbered 2300-2799
0.5 credit Psychology 3800F/G
0.5 Research-in credit from: Psychology 3184F/G, 3185F/G, 3285F/G or 3485F/G
1.0 credits in Psychology numbered 3300-3899
0.5 credit in Psychology numbered 4100-4995
0.5 credit in Psychology numbered 2000-4999
1.0 credits from: Psychology 4850E or 4851E
2.0 credits from: Science/Basic Medical Sciences-approved list numbered 2100 or above