

DEFINITIVE COURSE RECORD

Course Title	BSc (Hons) Psychology and Sociology (with Professional Placement) BSc (Hons) Psychology and Sociology (with Professional Placement and Study Abroad) BSc (Hons) Psychology and Sociology (with Study Abroad)
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This definitive record sets out the essential features and characteristics of the BSc (Hons) Psychology and Sociology course. The information provided is accurate for students entering level 4 in the 2022-23 academic year.⁵

Course Summary

The BSc (Hons) Psychology and Sociology course offers students a joint honours route degree. The course covers a range of psychological perspectives including biological, cognitive, developmental, and social. The course is underpinned by a thorough review of a range of research methods, both qualitative and quantitative, and exploration of the scientific method. Delivery of teaching will include face-to-face and online lectures, discussion and seminar groups and practical workshop sessions in dedicated laboratories. In the third year of study students will undertake their own independent research project under supervision. Graduates from the programme who achieve a minimum of a 2:2 overall will be eligible for the Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership of the British Psychological Society.

Course Aims

1. To produce a scientific understanding of the mind, brain, behaviour and experience, and how they interact with the complex environments in which they exist
2. To include knowledge and the acquisition of a range of research skills and methods for investigating experience and behaviour, culminating in an ability to conduct research independently
3. To develop an understanding of the role of empirical evidence in the creation and constraint of theory, and also in how theory guides the collection and interpretation of empirical data
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both essays and scientific reports, and through experience in making oral presentations to groups.

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- British Psychological Society Standards for the accreditation of undergraduate, conversion and integrated Masters programmes in Psychology (2019)

Course Structure

The BSc (Hons) Psychology and Sociology course comprises modules at levels 4, 5 and 6.

Module Specifications for each of these modules is included within the course handbook, available to students on-line at the beginning of each academic year.

Module title	Credits	Module Type ⁸
Level 4		
Foundations of Biological and Cognitive Psychology	20	M
Foundations of Social and Developmental Psychology	20	M
Psychological Research Methods and Skills	20	M
Sociological Imagination	20	M
Social Change	20	R
Introduction to Criminology	20	R
Level 5		
Biological and Cognitive Psychology	20	M
Qualitative Research Methods	20	M
Quantitative Data Analysis	20	M
Social and Development Psychology	20	M
Social Theory	20	R
Globalization	20	O

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be eligible for a BSc Psychology and Sociology on successful completion of 300 credits at Level 4 or above (including at least 180 credits at Level 5 or above and at least 60 credits at Level 6), a DipHE in Psychology and Sociology on successful completion of 240 credits including all mandatory modules at levels 4 and 5 or a CertHE Psychology and Sociology on successful completion of 120 credits including all mandatory modules at levels 4 .

Course Delivery

The course is delivered at Ipswich. Students studying full-time on the BSc (Hons) Psychology and Sociology course are likely to have approximately 12 hours per week structured learning for level 4, 9 hours per week structured learning for level 5 and 6 hours per week structured learning for level 6. Tutor structured learning will be a mix of lectures, seminars, workshops, tutorials and guided learning activities which take place on campus and through our online learning environment. Students will normally be expected to undertake 25 hours of independent study in an average week, but should be prepared for this to vary based on assignment deadlines and class exercises.

Course Assessment

A variety of assessments will be used on the course to enable students to experience and adapt to different assessment styles. The assessment methods used will be appropriate to assess each module's intended learning outcomes. Assessment on the course overall will be mostly coursework (including essays, reports, presentations, group work, reflective learning journals and research projects) with some examinations (dependent on module choice).

Special Features

Graduates who have passed the empirical psychology project and gained a minimum of a 2:2 overall are eligible to apply for the Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC) of the British Psychological Society (BPS).

Course Team

The academic staff delivering this course are drawn from a team that includes teaching specialists and current practitioners. All staff are qualified in their subjects with their own specialist knowledge to contribute and are all registered with the appropriate professional body (i.e. BPS).

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Course Costs

Students undertaking BSc (Hons) Psychology and Sociology (sandwich route) course will be charged tuition fees as detailed below:

Student Group	Tuition Fees
Full-time UK	£9,250 per year (excluding sandwich year, for which the fee will be £1,850 for the year)
Part-time UK	Not applicable
Full-time EU/International	£13,992 per year (excluding sandwich year, for which the fee will be £2,875 for the year)
Part-time EU/International	Not applicable

Payment of tuition fees is due at the time of enrolment and is managed in accordance with the Tuition Fee Policy.

Academic Framework and Regulations

This course is delivered according to the Framework and Regulations for Undergraduate Awards and other academic policies and procedures of the University and published on the [website](#).