## Study Plan

**CC43 Bachelor of Psychological Science**  
Full Time Study Plan – Term 3 2018 onwards

**School of Health, Medical & Applied Sciences**

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**Total Units:** 24

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**Disclaimer:** This planner is subject to change depending on your Level 2 and Level 3 Psychology selections.

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For information on the terminology used in the above study plan, please refer to the Glossary on the last page of this document.
MORE DETAILS:

To satisfy the requirements for the award of CC43 Bachelor of Psychological Science, students must complete 24 units (144 credit points).

Recommended Study Schedule

Students should complete units in an order that is as close as possible to the recommended structure set out in this study plan. Students should concentrate on completing all first year units before moving on to second year units, and all second year units before moving on to third year units.

Course Structure Requirements

In the CC43 Bachelor of Psychological Science, students are required to complete the following course structure:

- A minimum of 96 credit points (16 units) in psychology, including:
  - 24 psychology credit points (4 units) at Level One;
  - a minimum of 30 psychology credit points (5 units) at Level Two, including PSYC12047 and PSYC12048;
  - a minimum of 36 psychology credit points (6 units) at Level Three, including PSYC13015, PSYC13017 and PSYC13020;
  - a total of 72 credit points (12 units) at Level Two and Three psychology combined
- Up to 8 elective units (48 units of credit)

If a student takes only the minimum 5 psychology units at Level 2, they must take 7 units at Level 3 in order to make the full load of 12 psychology units at Level 2 and 3.

Course Duration Requirements

**Full Time Duration**

3 years full time

**Part Time Duration**

6 years part time

Please also note that if you fail units or take a Leave of Absence, your course duration and completion timeframe may be extended.

**Interim Awards**

Interim Awards do not exist for this course

**Exit Award**

CV71 Diploma of Behavioural Science

**Professional Accreditation**

The CQU University Bachelor of Psychological Science is accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council and as such, successful completion of this course will mean that you are qualified to apply for an APAC accredited 4th year Honours course in Psychology.

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Deferment/Leave of Absence

Domestic students in the Bachelor of Psychological Science degree are permitted to defer the initial offer of their degree for a maximum of 12 months before their offer is withdrawn. Furthermore, domestic students may also take an approved Leave of Absence (LOA) once they have commenced their course of study however only a maximum of 12 months can be granted without requesting further approval from the Head of Course.

You can apply for a deferment or LOA [here](#).

International students are not permitted to defer their initial offer or take a Leave of Absence unless otherwise discussed with their Home Campus.

Credit Transfer

If you have undertaken study in the last ten years, or have relevant in-formal or non-formal learning, you may be eligible for credit towards your course. Please note that some courses have reduced timeframes within which prior study remains eligible for credit. Please refer to the CQUi Handbook for specific credit time limits relating to your course.

To submit an application for credit, please refer to the Credit Calculator or contact the Academic Pathways Team via their email credit@cqu.edu.au. Further information about the credit process can also be found on the Credit for Prior Learning webpage.

Credit applications should be submitted at least four (4) weeks before the relevant term commences. Applications must be complete with all supporting documentation to be assessed by CQUiversity. CQUiversity cannot obtain documents from other institutions, organisations or individuals.

Residential Schools

Students studying via Distance education may be required to attend compulsory on-campus residential schools and have been marked with an asterisk (*) in the above study plan.

The units that require a compulsory residential school must be enrolled in as “Mixed Mode” under the unit availabilities in MyCentre.

For more information on the various units containing residential schools, please refer to the following link in the CQUi Handbook: [https://handbook.cqu.edu.au/resschools/index](https://handbook.cqu.edu.au/resschools/index) or contact the Unit Coordinator directly.

Unit Coordinator contact information can be found via the Unit Profiles in the following link: [https://my-courses.cqu.edu.au/pub/profiles/search](https://my-courses.cqu.edu.au/pub/profiles/search)

Electives

Students in the CC43 Bachelor of Psychological Science course must successfully complete a total of 8 general elective units. Electives can be chosen from the additional psychology units within the course or from any undergraduate 6 credit point unit provided the pre and co-requisites are met. There is no limit of level one units.

- Undergraduate Level One Unit Codes begin with a “11” (e.g. MRKT11029)
- Undergraduate Advanced Level Unit Codes begin with either a “12”, “13”, or “19” (e.g. MGMT19128)
Notes on Unit Selection for Year 2

- A minimum of 5 Psychology units must be done at Level 2.
- PSYC12048 and PSYC12047 are compulsory units. In addition to these two units, a minimum of three Psychology units must be chosen from the following list.
- If you choose to do 5 Level 2 Psychology units, you will need to do an additional elective to make up the 8 units for the year. Doing an additional elective in Year 2 means that you will have one less elective to complete in Year 3. In total, there are 8 elective units in the course.

Level Two Psychology Unit Options (choose a minimum of three units)

- PSYC12010 Introduction to Human Development (Term 1 & 3)
- PSYC12013 Personality (Term 1 & 3)
- PSYC12012 Physiological Psychology (Term 2 ONLY)
- PSYC12014 Social Psychology (Term 2 & 3)

A total of 72 credit points at Level 2 and 3 psychology combined must be undertaken. If a student takes only the minimum 5 psychology units at Level 2, they must take 7 units at Level 3 in order to make the full load of 12 psychology units at Levels 2 and 3.

Notes on Course Selection for Year 3

- A minimum of 6 Psychology units must be done at Level 3.
- PSYC13015, PSYC13017 and PSYC13020 are compulsory units. In addition to these three units, a minimum of three Psychology units must be chosen from the following list.
- If you have only done 5 level Two Psychology units, you must do 7 Level Three Psychology units. A total of 12 Psychology courses must be done at Levels 2 and 3.
- In total, there are 8 elective units in the course.

Level Three Psychology Course Options (choose a minimum of three units)

- PSYC13016 Cognitive Psychology (Term 1 & 3)
- PSYC13023 Educational Psychology (Term 1 ONLY)
- PSYC13022 Learning (Term 2 ONLY)
- PSYC13021 Forensic Psychology (Term 2 ONLY)
- PSYC13024 Qualitative Research Methodology (Term 1 ONLY)*
- PSYC13025 Applied Sports Psychology (Term 1 ONLY)

If you have any questions about your course, please contact the Course Advice Team: spc@cqu.edu.au or by visiting http://handbook.cqu.edu.au/eforms/index and filling out the ‘Ask a Course Advisor’ e-form.

PLEASE CHECK THE CQUNI HANDBOOK FOR ALL TERM AVAILABILITIES AND PRE-REQUISITES AS THEY MAY CHANGE FROM YEAR TO YEAR http://handbook.cqu.edu.au

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GLOSSARY

- **Course**: A course is the combination of units that contribute towards either a CQUniversity award qualification or non-award study.

- **Course Code**: A course code identifies the specific course a student may be studying at CQUniversity.

- **Unit**: A unit is the individual subject students must complete in order to graduate from their course.

- **Unit Code**: A unit code identifies a specific unit that a student is enrolled in under their course.

- **Pre-Requisite (Pre-Req) Unit**: A pre-req unit is a unit which students must pass before being allowed to enrol in the subsequent unit.

- **Co-Requisite (Co-Req) Unit**: A co-req unit is a unit that must be studied at the same time as another unit.

- **Anti-Requisite (Anti-Req) Unit**: An anti-req unit is an old unit that has been replaced by a new unit and students are not permitted to study the old unit.

- **Credit Points (CP)**: Credit Points are the numerical value of a unit which contributes to the total Credit Points for a course.

- **Core Unit**: A core unit is a compulsory unit that a student must study to meet the requirements of their course.

- **Elective Unit**: An elective unit is a unit within a course that is not compulsory and students may have a choice in what unit they study, provided it meets the elective requirements of their course.

- **Major**: A major is a specific area within a course where a student specialises in and is normally made up of 8 units for undergraduate courses, and 4 units for postgraduate courses. Not all courses have majors.

- **Double Major**: A double major is where students specialise in 2 areas of study and is normally made up of 16 units. Double majors are normally only available in undergraduate courses.

- **Minor**: Like a major, a minor is a specific area within a course where a student specialises and is normally made up of 4 units.

- **Term**: A specified period of time for higher education units in which teaching, learning and assessment occurs. CQUniversity offers 3 Academic Terms per year: Term 1, Term 2 and Term 3.