

Please note these are the 2027 details for this course

Domestic students

Selection rank	
Delivery mode	On campus
Location	Bruce, Canberra
Duration	4.0 years
Faculty	Faculty of Health
Discipline	School of Arts & Communication Psychology
UAC code	362184
English language requirements	There are non-standard English language requirements for this course. To be eligible you must have an overall IELTS Academic score (or equivalent) of 6.0, a score of not less than 7.0 in both reading and writing, and no band score below 6.0. For alternate/equivalent ways of meeting the English requirements for this course please view the English Proficiency Requirements document on the university website. View IELTS equivalences

International students

Selection rank	
Academic entry requirements	To study at UC, you'll need to meet our academic entry requirements and any admission requirements specific to your course. Please read your course admission requirements below. To find out whether you meet UC's academic entry requirements, visit our academic entry requirements page. View UC's academic entry requirements
Delivery mode	On campus
Location	Bruce, Canberra

Duration	4.0 years
Faculty	Faculty of Health
Discipline	School of Arts & Communication Psychology
CRICOS code	098995G
English language requirements	There are non-standard English language requirements for this course. To be eligible you must have an overall IELTS Academic score (or equivalent) of 6.0, a score of not less than 7.0 in both reading and writing, and no band score below 6.0. For alternate/equivalent ways of meeting the English requirements for this course please view the English Proficiency Requirements document on the university website. View IELTS equivalences

About this course

The Bachelor of Arts at UC is a versatile and professionally-oriented arts degree. It has been designed to produce innovative, globally engaged thinkers who are fully equipped to take their places in dynamic working and creative environments. The Bachelor of Arts gives you the option of choosing from five different degree awards: Creative Writing, Cultural and Heritage studies, Digital Media, Film Production or Global Studies. You'll work and study in real-world situations through project work, internships and mentorships. You'll complete units designed to help you develop the professional skills essential for employment in the cultural or creative industries, you'll have the opportunity to participate in international work and study experiences as part of your degree, and you will learn from industry-active professionals as well as world-class scholars. Discover the science behind how and why people think, feel, and behave the way they do with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from the University of Canberra. Our program is student-centred and flexible, with a focus on applying psychological theories and research to an understanding of real world issues. You will gain a wide range of skills including communication, problem solving, critical analysis, teamwork and research, and have the opportunity to take part in work integrated learning in either local, national or international organisations. The Bachelor of Science in Psychology will prepare you for a diverse range of career options including research, health and welfare, human resources, education, public policy, business and counselling. The program is fully accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC) and opens opportunities for further study in psychology at honours, masters and doctoral levels.

Professional accreditation

The Bachelor of Science in Psychology is accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (<https://apac.au/>)

Admission requirements

Admission to this course is based on an entrance rank. A rank can be achieved by the following means:

- Year 12 ATAR
- other Australian Qualification
- work experience
- overseas qualification

We also offer a number of entry initiatives that give you the opportunity to gain entry to the University via alternate pathway programs and admissions schemes.

More information is available on our Alternative Entry page: <http://www.canberra.edu.au/future-students/applications/apply-now/alternative-entry>

Additional admission requirements

For Work Integrated Learning (WIL) in Psychology, students may require a Working with Vulnerable People card.

Assumed knowledge

None.

Periods course is open for new admissions

Year	Location	Teaching period	Teaching start date	Domestic	International
2027	Bruce, Canberra	Semester 1	15 February 2027	✓ Open for domestic admissions	✓ Open for international admissions
2027	Bruce, Canberra	Semester 2	09 August 2027	✓ Open for domestic admissions	✓ Open for international admissions
2028	Bruce, Canberra	Semester 1	14 February 2028	✓ Open for domestic admissions	✓ Open for international admissions
2028	Bruce, Canberra	Semester 2	07 August 2028	✓ Open for domestic admissions	✓ Open for international admissions

Credit arrangements

There are currently no formal credit transfer arrangements for entry to this course. Any previous study or work experience will only be considered as part of the application process in accordance with current [course rules and university policy](#).

Course requirements

Required - 72 credit points as follows

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Arts - 24 credit points as follows

Core Major in Arts (CM0001) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 18 credit points as follows

- Professional Orientation (Arts) (10333) | 3 credit points — Level 1
- Big Stories: Culture, Memory and Power (11108) | 3 credit points — Level 1
- It Must Be True: Knowledge, Culture and Creativity (11109) | 3 credit points — Level 1
- Reading Culture, Curating Culture (11110) | 3 credit points — Level 1
- The Grand Experiment (11111) | 3 credit points — Level 1
- Professional Evidence (Arts) (11112) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Restricted Choice - Must pass 6 credit points as follows

All Majors excluding Digital Media - Must pass 6 credit points from the following

- Global Brand Communication (11102) | 3 credit points — Level 3
- Word and Image (11119) | 3 credit points — Level 3
- Global Environmental Futures (11150) | 3 credit points — Level 3
- Global Activism and Social Change (11151) | 3 credit points — Level 3
- The Kids are All Right: Literature for 0-18 (11154) | 3 credit points — Level 3
- Impact and Enterprise G (11155) | 3 credit points — Level G
- Heritage Materials and Their Environments G (11160) | 3 credit points — Level G
- The Cultural Significance of Patina G (11161) | 3 credit points — Level G
- Heritage Materials - Structure and Integrity G (11162) | 3 credit points — Level G
- Heritage Materials - Aesthetics and Stability G (11163) | 3 credit points — Level G
- Professional Practice Internship (11575) | 6 credit points — Level 3
- Communicating Politics G (11627) | 3 credit points — Level G
- Communication Trends and Innovation G (11630) | 3 credit points — Level G
- Industry and Identity: Challenges and Triumphs G (11638) | 3 credit points — Level G

Professional Practice (Internships B) (11832) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Emerging Production Technologies (11839) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Digital Production Project (11840) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Indigeneity and the Creative Sector G (11863) | 3 credit points — Level G
Visual Communication for Creative Businesses G (11869) | 3 credit points — Level G
UX Design G (11870) | 3 credit points — Level G
Sports Media and Society (11934) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Deep Dives (12028) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Public Opinion (12030) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Integrated Digital Marketing and Communication G (12033) | 3 credit points — Level G
Reputation: Issues and Crisis Communication (12081) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Social Media Campaigns (12082) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Professional Practice (Internships A) (12144) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Digital Media - Must pass 6 credit points as follows

Restricted Choice - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Professional Practice (Internships B) (11832) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Professional Practice (Advanced Industry Studios) (11834) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Professional Practice (Internships A) (12144) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Required - Must pass 3 credit points as follows

Professional Practice (Industry Studios) (11831) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Psychology - 48 credit points as follows

Core Major in Psychology (CM0025) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 21 credit points as follows

Industry and Community Engagement (Health) (10120) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Foundations of Psychology (10444) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Psychology Across the Life-Span (10445) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Professional Evidence (Psychology) (10446) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Introduction to Research in the Health Sciences (11398) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Understanding People and Behaviour (11399) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Professional Orientation (Psychology) (11474) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Restricted Choice - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Health Psychology and Behaviour (8736) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Forensic and Criminal Psychology (10448) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Professional Practice (Health) 1 (11401) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Specialist Major in Psychological Science (SM0068) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 24 credit points as follows

Experimental Psychology (7118) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Physiological Psychology (7120) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Personality and Individual Differences (7122) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Motivation and Emotion (7124) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Social Psychology (7125) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Survey Research and Design in Psychology (7126) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Psychopathology (7128) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Learning and Cognition (10447) | 3 credit points — Level 2

- Students in this course do not need to complete unit 10333 Professional Orientation (Arts) and will take an Open Elective unit instead.

Restricted Choice - Must select 1 of the following

Specialist Major in Film Production (SM0004) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 21 credit points as follows

Film Studio, Production Project (11137) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Short Film Production (11139) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Reading Movies - A Practitioner's Guide (11140) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Australian National Cinema (11141) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Creative Collaboration and Specialisation in Film Project (11142) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Documentary Production (11143) | 3 credit points — Level 1

The Creative Producer (11144) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Restricted Choice - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Films Tools and a Meta-Narrative Vocabulary (11138) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Film Tools (12226) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Note:

- From 2026, unit 12226 Film Tools has replaced unit 11138 Films Tools and a Meta-Narrative Vocabulary.

Specialist Major in Global Studies (SM0005) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 24 credit points as follows

Cultures and Diversity (11129) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Global Ethical Challenges (11145) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Global Perspectives on Gender, Sex and Sexuality (11146) | 3 credit points — Level 2

How the World Really Works: Busting the Myths of Globalisation (11147) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Studies in World Philosophies (11148) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Listening to Global Voices: World Literature and Cinema (11149) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Global Environmental Futures (11150) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Global Activism and Social Change (11151) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Specialist Major in Creative Writing (SM0001) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 24 credit points as follows

Introduction to Creative Writing (11113) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Writing, Rewriting (11114) | 3 credit points — Level 1

From Hungry Caterpillars to Hunger Games: Writing for Young People (11115) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Screenwriting (11116) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Poetry and the Imagination (11117) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Writing Self, Writing Place (11118) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Word and Image (11119) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Major Project Studio (11120) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Specialist Major in Culture and Heritage (SM0002) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 21 credit points as follows

Heritage Conservation (11015) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Understanding Cultural and Heritage Values (11121) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Indigenous Cultures and Digital Contexts (11122) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Exploring Digital Culture and Heritage (11124) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Indigenous Ways of Knowing (11126) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Connections to Country (11128) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Cultures and Diversity (11129) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Restricted Choice - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Decolonising the Museum (11123) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Culture: Voicing the Living Archive (11861) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Note:

- From 2023 unit 11123 Decolonising the Museum has been replaced with 11861 Culture: Voicing the Living Archive.

Specialist Major in Digital Media (SM0003) | 24 credit points**Required - Must pass 12 credit points as follows**

Design for Digital Contexts (11064) | 3 credit points — Level 2
3D Media Art Production (11838) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Emerging Production Technologies (11839) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Digital Production Project (11840) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Restricted Choice - Must pass 12 credit points as follows**Part C - Must pass 3 credit points from the following**

Digital Media Art 1: Narrative Production (11837) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Visual Narrative Production (12234) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Note:

- From 2026, unit 12234 Visual Narrative Production has replaced unit 11837 Digital Media Art 1: Narrative Production.

Part A - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Sound Design (11134) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Sound Design (12219) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Note:

- From 2026, unit 12219 Sound Design has replaced unit 11134 Sound Design.

Part B - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Digital Media Art 2: Image Production (11836) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Image and Animation Production (12227) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Note:

- From 2026, unit 12227 Image and Animation Production has replaced unit 11836 Digital Media Art 2: Image Production.

Part D - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Character Design and Animation (11133) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Character Design and Animation (12284) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Note:

- From Sem-2, 2026, unit 12284 Character Design and Animation replaces unit 11133 Character Design and Animation

Specialist Major in Literary Studies (SM0045) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 18 credit points as follows

Introduction to Creative Writing (11113) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Writing, Rewriting (11114) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Listening to Global Voices: World Literature and Cinema (11149) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Literary Studies: The Novel (11152) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Literary Studies: From Romanticism to the Present (11153) | 3 credit points — Level 2

The Kids are All Right: Literature for 0-18 (11154) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Restricted Choice - Must pass 6 credit points from the following

Writing Self, Writing Place (11118) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Word and Image (11119) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Australian National Cinema (11141) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Specialist Major in Media Production (SM0098) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 24 credit points as follows

Design for Digital Contexts (11064) | 3 credit points — Level 2

The Creative Producer (11144) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Digital Production Project (11840) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Streaming and Social (12026) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Sound Design (12219) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Film Tools (12226) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Image and Animation Production (12227) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Podcasting (12229) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Specialist Major in Public Relations and Strategic Communication (SM0096) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 24 credit points as follows

Stakeholder Engagement (11101) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Public Opinion (12030) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Reputation: Issues and Crisis Communication (12081) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Social Media Campaigns (12082) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Organisational Storytelling: Producing Earned and Owned Media (12083) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Representation and Diversity (12220) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Communication Strategy and Campaign Planning (12221) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Communicating with Intent: Strategic Communication Foundations (12223) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Specialist Major in Social Media and Content Creation (SM0097) | 24 credit points

Restricted Choice - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Editorial Leadership (12031) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Reputation: Issues and Crisis Communication (12081) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Required - Must pass 21 credit points as follows

Visual Communication Theory and Principles (11062) | 3 credit points — Level 1
The Craft of Creative Communication (11100) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Streaming and Social (12026) | 3 credit points — Level 2
Social Media Campaigns (12082) | 3 credit points — Level 3
Organisational Storytelling: Producing Earned and Owned Media (12083) | 3 credit points — Level 1
Communicating with Intent: Strategic Communication Foundations (12223) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Podcasting (12229) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Specialist Major in Indigenous Studies (SM0099) | 18 credit points

Required - Must pass 18 credit points as follows

Indigenous Cultures and Digital Contexts (11122) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Indigenous Ways of Knowing (11126) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Connections to Country (11128) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People's Health Contexts (11852) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Culture: Voicing the Living Archive (11861) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Indigenous Justice (12103) | 3 credit points — Level 3

- 1. Students undertaking the SM0099 - Specialist Major in Indigenous Studies must complete 6 credit points of Open Electives.
- 2. The award name for the Arts part of this course is determined by choice of major. E.g. Completion of the Specialist Major in Global Studies leads to the award 'Bachelor of Arts (Global Studies)'.

In addition to course requirements, in order to successfully complete your course you must meet the inherent requirements. Please refer to the [inherent requirements statement](#) applicable to your course

Typical study pattern

UC - Canberra, Bruce

Current and Commencing Students

Personalised Plan

Commencing Students

Students are advised to contact their faculties to obtain a personalised study plan incorporating their chosen specialisation.

Course information

Course duration

Standard 4 years full time or part-time equivalent. Maximum 10 years from date of enrolment to date of course completion.

Learning outcomes

Learning outcomes

Related graduate attributes

Refer to individual courses.	-
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Majors

- [Specialist Major in Film Production \(SM0004\)](#)
- [Specialist Major in Public Relations and Strategic Communication \(SM0096\)](#)
- [Specialist Major in Global Studies \(SM0005\)](#)
- [Specialist Major in Culture and Heritage \(SM0002\)](#)
- [Specialist Major in Creative Writing \(SM0001\)](#)
- [Specialist Major in Digital Media \(SM0003\)](#)
- [Specialist Major in Indigenous Studies \(SM0099\)](#)
- [Specialist Major in Media Production \(SM0098\)](#)
- [Specialist Major in Social Media and Content Creation \(SM0097\)](#)
- [Specialist Major in Literary Studies \(SM0045\)](#)
- [Core Major in Psychology \(CM0025\)](#)
- [Core Major in Arts \(CM0001\)](#)
- [Specialist Major in Psychological Science \(SM0068\)](#)

Awards

Award	Official abbreviation
Bachelor of Arts	BA
Bachelor of Science in Psychology	BSc Psych
Bachelor of Arts (Creative Writing)	BA (CreativeWrtg)
Bachelor of Arts (Culture and Heritage)	BA (Cult&Herit)
Bachelor of Arts (Digital Media)	BA (DigitalMedia)
Bachelor of Arts (Film Production)	BA (FilmProd)
Bachelor of Arts (Global Studies)	BA (GlobalSt)
Bachelor of Arts (Indigenous Studies)	BA (IndigenousSt)
Bachelor of Arts (Literary Studies)	BA (LitSt)

Honours

Refer to individual courses.

Related courses

- [Bachelor of Arts \(Creative Writing\) \(ARB001\)](#)

- Bachelor of Arts (Culture and Heritage) (ARB002)
- Bachelor of Arts (Digital Media) (ARB003)
- Bachelor of Arts (Film Production) (ARB004)
- Bachelor of Arts (Global Studies) (ARB005)
- Bachelor of Science in Psychology (780AA)

Enquiries

Student category	Contact details
Prospective International Students	Email international@canberra.edu.au or Phone +61 2 6201 5342
Prospective Domestic Students	Email study@canberra.edu.au or Phone 1800 UNI CAN (1800 864 226)
Current and Commencing Students	Please contact the Faculty of Health faculty office, email student.centre@canberra.edu.au

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UC acknowledges the Ngunnawal people, traditional custodians of the lands where Bruce campus is situated. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of Canberra and the region. We also acknowledge all other First Nations Peoples on whose lands we gather.