

Postgraduate Diploma of Psychology

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The course includes the following awards:

Postgraduate Diploma of Psychology *PostgradDipPsych*

Course Study Modes and Locations

Postgraduate Diploma of Psychology (1610PG)

Distance Education - Bathurst

Availability is subject to change, please verify prior to enrolment.

Normal course duration

Postgraduate Diploma of Psychology

Full-time 1.0 years (2.0 sessions)

Part-time 2.0 years (4.0 sessions)

Normal course duration is the effective period of time taken to complete a course when studied Full-time (Full-time Equivalent: FTE). Students are advised to consult the Enrolment Pattern for the actual length of study. Not all courses are offered in Full-time mode.

Admission criteria

[CSU Admission Policy](#)

Admission to the Postgraduate Diploma of Psychology is competitive and requires:

- completion of an Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC) accredited three year sequence (either an APAC accredited undergraduate program or an APAC accredited Graduate Diploma) within the previous 10 years;
- a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or better in an APAC accredited Graduate Diploma or in

the core psychology level 2 and 3 subjects of an APAC accredited undergraduate program; and

- the successful completion of PSY301 Advanced Research Methods in Psychology or PSY461 Advanced Research Methods in Psychology;
- or
- to have what is deemed to be the equivalent of the above three requirements from another institution.

Credit

[CSU Credit Policy](#)

No special arrangements apply

Graduation requirements

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 64 points.

Course Structure

The Postgraduate Diploma of Psychology is designed to provide students with the opportunity for advanced study in psychology. This course satisfies the minimum academic requirements for provisional registration as a Psychologist.

Students must complete:

- three core coursework subjects (24 points)
- two elective subjects (16 Points)
- a major research project (24 points)

[PSY404](#) Psychological Assessment *

[PSY420](#) Ethics and Current Issues in Psychology *

[PSY421](#) Clinical Psychology - Treatment

[PSY422](#) Forensic Psychology

[PSY423](#) Industrial / Organisational Psychology

[PSY425](#) Cognitive Neuroscience

[PSY427](#) Issues in Health Psychology

[PSY429](#) Psychology Advanced Topics

[PSY436](#) Research Project (24 points) *

[PSY437](#) Counselling Theory and Practice *

*** Core subject**

NB:All subjects have compulsory residential schools

Enrolment Pattern

Subject offerings are divided between Bathurst and Wagga Wagga campuses, with core subjects and high-demand electives offered on both campuses and most electives only offered at one campus. Most students will select an enrolment pattern that involves completing all subjects through a single campus, as outlined below. Note that students can choose to enrol in subjects at different campuses, but that a non-standard enrolment pattern may increase the number of separate trips students must make to attend compulsory residential schools.

Part time via Bathurst

Year 1

Session 1

[PSY404](#) Psychological Assessment
[PSY420](#) Ethics and Current Issues in Psychology

Session 2

Two of:

[PSY421](#) Clinical Psychology - Treatment
[PSY422](#) Forensic Psychology
[PSY425](#) Cognitive Neuroscience
[PSY429](#) Psychology Advanced Topics

Year 2

Session 1

[PSY436](#) Research Project (24 points)(commenced)
[PSY437](#) Counselling Skills (8 points)(commenced)

Session 2

[PSY436](#) Research Project (24 points)(completed)
[PSY437](#) Counselling Skills (8 points)(completed)

Part time via Wagga Wagga

Year 1

Session 1

Two of:

- [PSY421](#) Clinical Psychology - Treatment
- [PSY423](#) Industrial / Organisational Psychology
- [PSY427](#) Issues in Health Psychology

Session 2

- [PSY404](#) Psychological Assessment
- [PSY420](#) Ethics and Current Issues in Psychology

Year 2

Session 1

- [PSY436](#) Research Project (24 points)(commenced)
- [PSY437](#) Counselling Skills (8 points)(commenced)

Session 2

- [PSY436](#) Research Project (24 points)(completed)
- [PSY437](#) Counselling Skills (8 points)(completed)

Full-time enrolment is subject to approval by the course coordinator.

All subjects in this course require attendance at compulsory residential schools, which may be scheduled at either Bathurst or Wagga Wagga campus. More information is available from psychadmin@csu.edu.au

Residential School

Please note that the following subjects may have a residential school component.

- PSY404 Psychological Assessment
- PSY420 Ethics and Current Issues in Psychology
- PSY421 Clinical Psychology - Treatment
- PSY422 Forensic Psychology
- PSY423 Industrial / Organisational Psychology
- PSY425 Cognitive Science
- PSY427 Issues in Health Psychology
- PSY429 Psychology Advanced Topics
- PSY436 Research Project
- PSY437 Counselling Theory and Practice

Enrolled students can find further information about CSU residential schools via the [About](#)

[Residential School](#) page.

Accreditation

The postgraduate Diploma of Psychology has been accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC) as providing a fourth year of study in psychology. It satisfies the academic requirements for provisional registration and meets the professional training requirements for Associate Membership of the APS.

Contact

Current Students

For any enquiries about subject selection or course structure you will need to contact your Course Director. You can find the name and contact details for your Course Director in your offer letter or contact your School office.

Prospective Students

For further information about Charles Sturt University, or this course offering, please contact info.csu on 1800 334 733 (free call within Australia) or [enquire online](#).

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