About Our Programmes

**BSc (HONS) PSYCHOLOGY**

**KPT/JPS (R/31/1/60081) [FA9056] 04/26**

**Intake: September, January**

Our Psychology graduates have a strong record of employment, building careers in business, teaching, counselling, nursing, probation work and market research.

Psychology is the science of behaviour and the mind. It uses a variety of scientific methods to explore key areas, including the influence that our biology has on behaviour, the ways in which we develop from early infancy to adulthood, the ways in which we perceive, think, solve problems and make decisions, and the way we interact with each other. All of these approaches enable theories to be developed and tested within psychology. Our programmes focus on principles in the real world and consider how psychology can help us to address them.

Psychologists work in settings such as education, health and mental ill-health, sport and exercise, systems design, the environment, and forensic and criminological analysis, where theory and practice come together.

BSc (Hons) Psychology with Management is taught across Heriot-Watt University’s three main global campuses in Edinburgh, Dubai, and Malaysia. This means our students can easily transfer for one semester or more across our campuses and continue to study the same content whilst enjoying extremely beneficial life experiences.

**SUMMARY OF ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Foundation in Science or Foundation in Business require an average C grade
- Students coming from our Foundation in Science or Foundation in Business require an average C grade

**CORE COURSES**

**YEAR 1**
- Cognitive Psychology
- Developmental Psychology
- Philosophy and History of Psychology
- Research Methods and Analysis 3 and 4
- Social Psychology
- Two courses from Business Management (Human Resource management and Organisational behaviour)

**YEAR 2**
- Biological Psychology
- Cognition across the Lifespan
- Cross-cultural Psychology
- Forensic Psychology
- Health Psychology
- Research Methods and Analysis 5 & 6
- Social Cognition and Personality
- Industrial Training (June to August)

**YEAR 3**
- Advanced Social Psychology
- Cognitive Rehabilitation
- Neuropsychology
- Psychology and Mental Health
- Psychology of Education
- Research Project 1 & 2
- Workplace Psychology

**ACCREDITATION**
Both of our undergraduate Psychology programmes at the Malaysia campus are accredited by the Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA), and the British Psychological Society (BPS).

**YOUR STUDY PATHWAY**

- *At least two years must be studied at the Edinburgh or Malaysia campus in order to gain BPS Accreditation.*

Additionally, students have the option to complete all three years of their studies in Malaysia.

**SUMMARY OF ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Students coming from our Foundation in Science or Foundation in Business require an average C grade.

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**BSc (HONS) PSYCHOLOGY WITH MANAGEMENT**

**KPT/JPS (R/31/1/60075) [FA5343] 08/25**

**Intake: September, January**

Psychology is the scientific study of the relationship between mind and behaviour. It asks why people, in general, behave as they do and why some people behave in unexpected or atypical ways. Findings from psychological studies help us to enhance people’s everyday experiences and improve lives.

Psychologists employ a wide range of research skills such as observation, surveys and experiments. This Bachelor’s degree aims to introduce you to these scientific methods and the critical evaluations that go into answering important questions from a psychological perspective.

The psychology component of the programme (70%) covers the discipline’s main areas, namely social psychology, developmental psychology, cognitive psychology, biological psychology, individual differences and research methods, and emphasises their application to various employment-related contexts. The management component of the programme (30%) introduces a range of topics that are relevant to psychology such as consumer behavior, marketing, human resource management and project management.

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OVERVIEW
The programme is aimed at people already in, or aspiring towards, a career in any business setting. It provides a detailed understanding of many aspects of psychology relevant to the workplace. The programme equips graduates with the knowledge and understanding of psychological theory, evidence, and methods relevant to business practise in a wide range of organisations and the skills and personal qualities needed to apply their knowledge successfully in the course of their business careers.

ACCREDITATION
Our MSc Business Psychology programme is accredited by the Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA).

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
The main graduate destinations are business and commerce. The programme is particularly focused on delivering graduates with skills appropriate to marketing and human relations, and to the operations of global businesses. However, it is expected that some graduates will find employment within other business specialisms.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
A first or second class Honours degree in Psychology, or a Bachelor’s degree in another subject with the minimum credits of prerequisite modules in Psychology, recognised by the Malaysian Government and acceptable to the University.

TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT
Our students experience a stimulating teaching environment which blends conventional lectures and tutorials with online material in our Virtual Learning Environment. Programmes are regularly reviewed by research-active staff in Edinburgh, Dubai and Malaysia to ensure that the learning material is relevant and current.

Assessment is through a balance of examinations, coursework and a substantial research project.

CORE COURSES
- Introduction to Human Factors
- Psychology for Marketing
- Coaching Psychology
- Research Methods
- Social and Organisational Change
- Organisational Culture
- Psychology of Leadership
- Diversity
- Research Project for Business Psychology

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
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Zulaikha Zainul Rizam
BSc (Hons) Psychology with Management (Class of 2019), Assistant Manager, Seller Management Team at Shopee, Malaysia

As a strategic decision, I enrolled in Heriot-Watt University’s Psychology with Management programme, which provided me with valuable knowledge and practical skills for my career growth. The supportive environment of classmates and lecturers enabled me to thrive during the challenging academic year of 2020. The University’s commitment to flexible learning and responsiveness to challenges reflects its dedication to student success. This degree has helped me build important relationships with industry professionals and identify my career interests.

Nadiva Ramadhanisa
BSc (Hons) Psychology (First Class, Class of 2021), Marketing Specialist, Google & YouTube Ads (ID) at Google Jakarta, Indonesia

I came to know about Heriot-Watt University through my sibling, who also graduated from Heriot-Watt. Through their experience, I learned that the course materials used for the Malaysia campuses are the same as those used in the Edinburgh and Dubai campuses, ensuring that the standard of education is maintained throughout all three campuses. This point of Heriot-Watt University was very appealing to me, and the main reason why I signed up for the psychology programme.

Chooi Bing
BSc (Hons) Psychology with Management (First Class, Class of 2021), Education Counselor at Japan Student Services Organization, Selangor

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Amir Tazree
BSc (Hons) Psychology (Class of 2022), Process Executive at Cognizant, Teaneck, New Jersey, USA

Doing my major at Heriot-Watt University opened up many doors for me because the beauty of the course is that it covers a range of psychological topics (e.g., forensic psychology, psychoeducation, and many more). This allows those who don’t necessarily know exactly what field of psychology they want to pursue to understand different scopes of psychology and be exposed to new knowledge they might not be aware.
HOW TO APPLY

Heriot-Watt University Malaysia accepts applications all year round.

APPLY ONLINE

You can apply online for our programmes at https://bit.ly/HWApply. You must create an account to use the online application form. You don’t have to complete the application in one session; you can save the information you have already entered and return to complete it at a later date. There is a help facility on each page of the online form.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Please remember to upload supporting documents so that we can make a decision on your application. This includes proof of English language proficiency and original or certified copies of academic transcripts.

Please refer to the supplemental item checklist on the Online Application form:

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