Programme Requirements for
Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Psychology

This 3-credit-unit system programme requirements document is applicable to the following student cohorts:

Year of Entry	Admission cohort
Year 1	2023/24 and thereafter
Year 2	2024/25 and thereafter
Year 3	2025/26 and thereafter

Students admitted to the Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Psychology programme are required to declare the stream they wish to pursue at the time prescribed by the University. The two available streams are:

    i. Psychology Major
    ii. Counselling Psychology

The programme requirements for the Psychology Major stream are outlined in paragraphs 1 to 3, while the requirement for the Counselling Psychology stream are detailed in paragraphs 4 to 6 below.

Upon completion of the programme, students will be awarded the degree of Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Psychology. Students who have chosen the Counselling Psychology stream will have their stream indicated on their transcripts.

Psychology Major Stream (BSSCHPPMJ)

1. **Programme Requirement – Year 1 Entry**

   1.1 To be eligible for the award of the degree of Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Psychology through Year 1 Entry under the Psychology Major stream, a student shall:

      1.1.1 obtain 120 credit-units as prescribed below, of which no more than 30 credit-units shall be at 1000-level, at least 24 credit-units shall be at 3000-level and at least 24 credit-units shall be at 4000-level:

         1.1.1.1 51 credit-units of core courses applicable to Year 1 entry as listed in Table 1;

         1.1.1.2 24 credit-units of major elective courses in specific area from Table 2;

         1.1.1.3 24 credit-units of elective courses in specific area applicable to Year 1 entry as listed in Table 3;

         1.1.1.4 9 credit-units of University Core courses from Table 4;

         1.1.1.5 6 credit-units of University English courses from Table 5;

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1.1.1.6   6 credit-units of General Education (GE) courses (see http://www.hkmu.edu.hk/FT_GE for the updated list of GE courses)

and

1.1.2   attain the CGPA for graduation as prescribed in the Regulations for the award of undergraduate degrees.

2.   Programme Requirement – Year 2 Entry

2.1   To be eligible for the award of the degree of Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Psychology through Year 2 Entry under the Psychology Major stream, a student shall:

2.1.1   obtain 93 credit-units as prescribed below, of which at least 24 credit-units shall be at 3000-level and at least 24 credit-units shall be at 4000-level:

2.1.1.1   39 credit-units of core courses applicable to Year 2 entry as listed in Table 1;

2.1.1.2   24 credit-units of major elective courses in specific area from Table 2;

2.1.1.3   21 credit-units of elective courses in specific area applicable to Year 2 entry as listed from Table 3;

2.1.1.4   9 credit-units of University Core courses from Table 4;

and

2.1.2   attain the CGPA for graduation as prescribed in the Regulations for the award of undergraduate degrees.

3.   Programme Requirement – Year 3 Entry

3.1   To be eligible for the award of the degree of Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Psychology through Year 3 Entry under the Psychology Major stream, a student shall:

3.1.1   obtain 66 credit-units as prescribed below, of which at least 24 credit-units shall be at 3000-level and at least 24 credit-units shall be at 4000-level:

3.1.1.1   33 credit-units of core courses applicable to Year 3 entry as listed in Table 1;

3.1.1.2   21 credit-units of major elective courses in specific area from Table 2;

3.1.1.3   3 credit-units of at 3000-/4000-level elective courses in specific area applicable to Year 3 entry as listed in Table 3;

3.1.1.4   9 credit-units of University Core courses from Table 4;

and

3.1.2   attain the CGPA for graduation as prescribed in the Regulations for the award of undergraduate degrees.

Table 1: Core courses

Course code	Course title	Credit-unit	Year Entry		
			1	2	3
ECON 1001AEF	Foundations of Social Sciences: Economics	3	✓		
POLS 1001AEF	Foundations of Social Sciences: Political Science	3	✓		
PSYC 1001AEF	Foundations of Social Sciences: Psychology	3	✓		
SOCI 1001AEF	Foundations of Social Sciences: Sociology	3	✓		
PSYC 2001AEF	Positive Psychology and Mental Health	3	✓	✓	
STAT 2001AEF	Essentials of Qualitative Research Inquiry	3	✓	✓	
STAT 2003AEF	Statistics	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3001AEF	Abnormal Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3002AEF	Biological Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3003AEF	Cognitive Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3004AEF	Consumer Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3005AEF	Life-span Developmental Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3006AEF	Personality Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3007AEF	Psychological Testing and Assessment	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3008AEF	Psychology of Language	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3009AEF	Research Methods in Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3010AEF	Social Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓

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Table 2: Major electives courses

Course code	Course title	Credit-unit
PSYC 4001AEF	Behavioural Economics	3
PSYC 4002AEF	Clinical Psychology	3
PSYC 4003AEF	Criminal Psychology	3
PSYC 4004AEF	Current Issues in Psychology	3
PSYC 4005AEF	Cyberpsychology	3
PSYC 4006AEF	History of Psychology	3
PSYC 4007AEF	Industrial-organizational Psychology	3
PSYC 4009AEF	Psychology Honours Thesis	6
PSYC 4010AEF	Psychology of Ageing	3

Table 3: Electives courses in specific area

Course code	Course title	Credit-unit	Year Entry		
			1	2	3
COUN 1001AEF	Introduction to Public Health	3	✓	✓	
COUN 2001AEF	Basic Skills in Counselling	3	✓	✓	

Course code	Course title	Credit-unit	Year Entry		
			1	2	3
COUN 2002AEF	Theories in Counselling and Mental Health	3	✓	✓	
ECON 2001AEF	Introduction to Microeconomics	3	✓	✓	
POLS 2002AEF	Introduction to Political Philosophy	3	✓	✓	
PUAD 2001AEF	Introduction to Public Administration	3	✓	✓	
SOCI 2003AEF	Popular Culture in Contemporary Society: East Asian Perspective	3	✓	✓	
SOCI 2005AEF	Youth, Work and the New Economy	3	✓	✓	
SOSC 2001AEF	Introduction to Gerontology	3	✓	✓	
SOSC 2002AEF	Logic	3	✓	✓	
SOSC 2003AEF	Mathematics for Social Sciences	3	✓	✓	
ECON 3004AEF	Managerial Economics	3	✓	✓	
ECON 3005AEF	Applied Economics in Public Policy Analysis	3	✓	✓	✓
ECON 3006AEF	Economic Growth and Development	3	✓	✓	
ECON 3008AEF	Hong Kong Economic System	3	✓	✓	
POLS 3005AEF	Political Psychology	3	✓	✓	
SOCI 3004AEF	Globalization, Social Policy and Everyday Life	3	✓	✓	
SOCI 3005AEF	Mobility, Place and Culture	3	✓	✓	
COUN 4001AEF	Addiction Counselling	3	✓	✓	✓
COUN 4002AEF	Family Counselling	3	✓	✓	
COUN 4003AEF	Individual and Group Counselling	3	✓	✓	
GCST 4001AEF	China and Global Governance	3	✓	✓	✓
SOCI 4007AEF	Memory, Culture and Society	3	✓	✓	✓
SOSC 4001AEF	Death, Dying and Memorization	3	✓	✓	✓

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Table 4: University Core courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit-units
UNI 1002ABW	University Core Values	2
UNI 1012ABW	Social Responsibilities	1
UNI 2002BEW	Effective Communication and Teamwork	3
UNI 3002BEW	Entrepreneurial Mindset and Leadership for Sustainability	3

Table 5: University English courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit-units
ENGL 1101AEF#	University English: Reading and Writing	3
ENGL 1102AEF#	Presentation Skills	3

Students who have attained Level 5 or above in DSE (or equivalent) may opt to complete ENGL 1002AEF and/or ENGL 1003AEF to fulfill the programme requirements in lieu of ENGL 1101AEF and/or ENGL 1102AEF.

Counselling Psychology Stream (BSSCHPCPJ)

4. **Programme Requirement – Year 1 Entry**

4.1 To be eligible for the award of the degree of Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Psychology through Year 1 Entry under the Counselling Psychology stream, a student shall:

4.1.1 obtain 120 credit-units as prescribed below, of which no more than 30 credit-units shall be at 1000-level, at least 24 credit-units shall be at 3000-level and at least 24 credit-units shall be at 4000-level:

4.1.1.1 78 credit-units of core courses applicable to Year 1 entry as listed in Table 6;

4.1.1.2 12 credit-units of major elective courses in specific area from Table 7;

4.1.1.3 9 credit-units of elective courses in specific area applicable to Year 1 entry as listed in Table 8;

4.1.1.4 9 credit-units of University Core courses from Table 9;

4.1.1.5 6 credit-units of University English courses from Table 10;

4.1.1.6 6 credit-units of General Education (GE) courses (see www.hkmu.edu.hk/FT_GE for the updated list of GE courses)

and

4.1.2 attain the CGPA for graduation as prescribed in the Regulations for the award of undergraduate degrees.

5. **Programme Requirement – Year 2 Entry**

5.1 To be eligible for the award of the degree of Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Psychologythrough Year 2 Entry under the Counselling Psychology stream, a student shall:

5.1.1 obtain 93 credit-units as prescribed below, of which at least 24 credit-units shall be at 3000-level and at least 24 credit-units shall be at 4000-level:

5.1.1.1 63 credit-units of core courses applicable to Year 2 entry as listed in Table 6;

5.1.1.2 12 credit-units of major elective courses in specific area from Table 7;

5.1.1.3 9 credit-units of elective courses in specific area applicable to Year 2 entry as listed in Table 8;

5.1.1.4 9 credit-units of University Core courses from Table 9;

and

5.1.2 attain the CGPA for graduation as prescribed in the Regulations for the award of undergraduate degrees.

6. Programme Requirement – Year 3 Entry

6.1 To be eligible for the award of the degree of Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Psychology through Year 3 Entry under the Counselling Psychology stream, a student shall:

6.1.1 obtain 66 credit-units as prescribed below, of which at least 24 credit-units shall be at 3000-level and at least 24 credit-units shall be at 4000-level:

6.1.1.1 39 credit-units of core courses applicable to Year 3 entry as listed in Table 6;

6.1.1.2 12 credit-units of major elective courses in specific area from Table 7;

6.1.1.3 6 credit-units of at 3000-level elective courses in specific area applicable to Year 3 entry as listed in Table 8;

6.1.1.4 9 credit-units of University Core courses from Table 9;

and

6.1.2 attain the CGPA for graduation as prescribed in the Regulations for the award of undergraduate degrees.

Table 6: Core Courses

Course code	Course title	Credit-unit	Year Entry 1	2	3
COUN 1001AEF	Introduction to Public Health	3	✓	✓	
ECON 1001AEF	Foundations of Social Sciences: Economics	3	✓		
POLS 1001AEF	Foundations of Social Sciences: Political Science	3	✓		
PSYC 1001AEF	Foundations of Social Sciences: Psychology	3	✓		
SOCI 1001AEF	Foundations of Social Sciences: Sociology	3	✓		
COUN 2001AEF	Basic Skills in Counselling	3	✓	✓	
COUN 2002AEF	Theories in Counselling and Mental Health	3	✓	✓	
PSYC 2001AEF	Positive Psychology and Mental Health	3	✓	✓	
STAT 2001AEF	Essentials of Qualitative Research Inquiry	3	✓	✓	
STAT 2003AEF	Statistics	3	✓		
PSYC 3001AEF	Abnormal Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3002AEF	Biological Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3003AEF	Cognitive Psychology	3	✓	✓	
PSYC 3005AEF	Life-span Developmental Psychology	3	✓	✓	
PSYC 3006AEF	Personality Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3007AEF	Psychological Testing and Assessment	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3009AEF	Research Methods in Psychology	3	✓	✓	
PSYC 3010AEF	Social Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
COUN 4001AEF	Addiction Counselling	3	✓	✓	✓

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Course code	Course title	Credit-unit	Year Entry		
			1	2	3
COUN 4002AEF	Family Counselling	3	✓	✓	✓
COUN 4003AEF	Individual and Group Counselling	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 4002AEF	Clinical Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 4004AEF	Current Issues in Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
COUN 4008AEF	Practicum and Experiential Learning Seminars	6	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 4010AEF	Psychology of Ageing	3	✓	✓	✓

Table 7: Major elective courses

Course code	Course title	Credit-unit
PSYC 4001AEF	Behavioral Economics	3
PSYC 4003AEF	Criminal Psychology	3
PSYC 4005AEF	Cyberpsychology	3
PSYC 4006AEF	History of Psychology	3
PSYC 4007AEF	Industrial-organizational Psychology	3
PSYC 4009AEF	Psychology Honours Thesis	6

Table 8: Elective courses in specific area

Course code	Course title	Credit-unit	Year Entry		
			1	2	3
SOCI 2001AEF	Essentials of Sociological Inquiry (Classical)	3	✓	✓	✓
SOCI 2005AEF	Youth, Work and the New Economy	3	✓	✓	✓
SOSC 2001AEF	Introduction to Gerontology	3	✓	✓	✓
GCST 3003AEF	International Security and War	3	✓	✓	✓
POLS 3005AEF	Political Psychology	3	✓	✓	
PSYC 3004AEF	Consumer Psychology	3	✓	✓	
SOCI 3003AEF	Cultural Tourism and Society	3	✓	✓	✓
SOCI 3006AEF	Perspectives and Issues on Crime	3	✓	✓	✓
SOCI 3009AEF	Youth and Crime	3	✓	✓	✓

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Table 9: University Core courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit-units
UNI 1002ABW	University Core Values	2
UNI 1012ABW	Social Responsibilities	1
UNI 2002BEW	Effective Communication and Teamwork	3
UNI 3002BEW	Entrepreneurial Mindset and Leadership for Sustainability	3

Table 10: University English courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit-units
ENGL 1101AEF#	University English: Reading and Writing	3
ENGL 1102AEF#	Presentation Skills	3

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