

# ISN301

## Applied Psychology and the Psychology Profession

### Unit Description

**Applied Psychology and the Psychology Profession** will teach students how the basic psychological processes are relevant to work, life situations and context including clinical, counselling, health, forensic, educational, organisational, engineering, consumer, environmental, political and space. Students will critically evaluate the organisation and regulation of psychology in Australia, the impact of applied psychology in key areas of work, education, life and the key psychology literacies necessary to be an effective applied psychological professional.

### Required Textbooks and Readings

Hayes, N. (2010). Understand applied psychology. London: AbeBooks.

Various readings [including APS articles] related to the Psychology profession in Australia

\*Textbooks may be subject to change prior to the start of semester

### Administrative Details

Associated higher education awards	Duration	Core or Elective	Level	Unit Coordinator	Other Teaching Staff
Bachelor of Psychology	One semester	Core	Third year, Semester 1	TBA	TBA

### Learning Outcomes and Assessments

Learning outcomes for Unit	Assessment tasks		
	Type	When assessed – year, session and week	Weighting (% of total marks for unit)
Understand how basic psychological processes are relevant to work/life situations/context including: clinical, counseling; health; forensic; educational; organizational; engineering consumer; environmental; political and space	Exam [60 item multiple choice items and 5 short answer test items]	Year 3, semester 1, week 14	40%
Critically evaluate the organization and regulation of psychology in Australia	Exam – see above		
Critically analyse the impact of applied psychology in key areas of work/education and life	Written assignments [total = 1500 words]	Year 3, semester 1, various weeks	40%
Critically analyse the key psychology literacies necessary to be an effective applied psychological professional	Written assignments – see above		

Learning outcomes for Unit	Assessment tasks		
	Type	When assessed – year, session and week	Weighting (% of total marks for unit)
Develop the ability to formulate a comparative analysis of the contribution of applied psychology to the following areas: clinical, counseling; health; forensic; educational; organizational; engineering consumer; environmental; political and space	Tutorial activities (classroom discussion debates, verbal presentations; poster presentations)	Year 3, throughout semester 1	20%

**Delivery mode**

Face to face on site with E-learning (online) components;

Full-time or Part-time study

**Pre-requisites and co-requisites**

Pass grade or higher in all Year 1 and 2 units

**Other Resource and Requirements**

None

**Unit weighting as a percentage of the year**

Unit credit points	Total course credit points
12.5	400

### **Student workload**

No. timetabled hours per week	No. personal study hours per week	Total workload hours per week
4 (1x2 hour lecture; 1x1 hour face-face tutorial and 1x1 hour online activities)	6	10

*\*Unit outlines may be subject to change. The most up-to-date outlines will be provided to students once the semester commences*