Entry Criteria for the BSc Psychology

All successful applicants are required to satisfy the programmes English language requirements and hold a GCSE in Mathematics at grade A – C / 9 – 4 or an acceptable equivalent.

If you would like further advice on whether or not your Maths / Science based subject is considered ‘acceptable’ then please contact us.

Other school or post school qualifications not listed below may still be acceptable. You can contact us before submitting an application if you would like further clarification.

Please note: this list is for guidance purposes. We reserve the right to amend it at any time.

International Qualifications

- 3 Cambridge Advanced level passes in non-overlapping subjects where grade DDE or above is achieved. At least one of these A levels must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade D or above.
- 3 Edexcel International Advanced levels passes in non-overlapping subjects where grade DDE or above is achieved. At least one of these A levels must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade D or above.
- International Baccalaureate (the Diploma): At least one of the subjects passed must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade Higher Level grade 4 - 7 / Standard Level grade 5 – 7

Australia

- Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) score of 80 or above or An Overall Position (OP) Band score between 1 and 8. Furthermore you must submit evidence of at least 2 acceptable grade 12 Maths / Science based subjects passed at 70% or above or the equivalent
- AQF Diploma in acceptable Maths / Science based subject.

Austria

- Reifeprüfung / Matura. This must include at least 2 acceptable Maths / Science based subjects passed in the final year of schooling at grade 1 or 2 or the equivalent.

Bahamas

- 3 Bahamian GCE A Level passes in non-overlapping subjects where grade DDE or above is achieved. At least one of these A levels must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade D or above.

Belgium

- (in and after 1992) Certificat d’Enseignement Secondaire Supérieur / Certificat d’Études Moyennes Supérieures/ Diploma van Secundair Onderwijs. This must include evidence of
acceptable Maths / Science based subjects, at an appropriate grade, in the final year of schooling.

Bermuda
• Bermuda College: 2 year full time Associate degree in acceptable Maths / Science based subject.

Bosnia and Herzegovina
• Matura: This must include at least 2 acceptable Maths / Science based subjects passed in the Matura examination at grade 5 or 4 or the equivalent.

Brunei
• 3 Cambridge/ Brunei Advanced Level General Certificate of Education passes in non-overlapping subjects where grade DDE or above is achieved. At least one of these A levels must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade D or above.

Cameroon
• 3 Cameroon Advanced level in non-overlapping subjects where grade DDE or above is achieved. At least one of these A levels must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade D or above.

Canada
• High School Graduation Diploma awarded by appropriate province: five acceptable Grade 12 Courses. Three of these subjects must be passed at 65% or above and two of these subjects must be passed at 70% or above in acceptable Maths / Science based subjects.
• 2 year full time Diploma or Associate degree awarded by an acceptable postsecondary institute in an acceptable Maths / Science based subject.

Caribbean, the
• Caribbean Advanced Proficiency Examination Diploma (CAPE): Provided three double-unit courses are passed. Two of these double-unit courses must be passed at grade 1 – 4, with one of these double units being in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology. The other double unit must be passed at grade 1 – 5.
• 2 year full time Associate degree awarded by an acceptable postsecondary institute in an acceptable Maths / Science based subject.

China
• Gaokao (Chinese University / College Entrance Examination): provided the applicants overall score is/was sufficient for entry into a Tier 3 Science based institution in China in the year that it was taken.

Croatia
• Svjedodžba o Maturi - from a Science / Maths based school (gimnazija).

Czech Republic
• Vysvedčení o Maturitní Zkoušce (Maturita): this must include at least 2 acceptable Maths / Science based subjects passed in the Maturita examination at grade 1 or 2 or the equivalent.
Denmark
- Hojere Forberedelseseksamen / Studentereksamen: this must include passes in at least 2 acceptable Level A Maths / Science based subjects.

England, Northern Ireland and Wales
- 3 UK GCE Advanced level passes in non-overlapping subjects where grade DDE or above is achieved. At least one of these A levels must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade D or above.
- Access to HE Diploma; provided it is recognised by the Quality Assurance Agency (QAA) and contains at least 15 credits at Level 3 in acceptable Maths / Science based subjects
- Edexcel Level 3 Diplomas provided the credit value, Maths / Science based content and grade performance are considered acceptable.
- Level 3 Foundation Certificate / Diploma, provided the credit value, Maths / Science based content and grade performance are considered acceptable.
- Postgraduate / Undergraduate programmes, successfully completed and awarded by an acceptable institution. These must be awarded in an acceptable Maths / Science based subject. Alternatively we can consider acceptable Maths / Science based courses passed within the award on an individual basis.

Finland
- Ylioppilastutkinto / Studentexamen (Matriculation Examination): this must include at least 1 Advanced level matriculation subject, obtained in an acceptable Maths / Science based subject at grade 7 or 10 or the equivalent.

France
- Baccalauréat: This must include at least 2 acceptable Maths / Science based subjects passed at grade 13 - 20 or the equivalent.

Germany
- Zeugnis der Allgemeinen Hochschulreife / Abitur: within the final Abitur examination at least 2 acceptable Maths / Science based subjects must be passed at grade 7 - 15 or the equivalent.

Hong Kong
- Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE): provided 2 Category A subjects are passed at level 4 - 5 and 3 further Category A subjects are passed at level 2 – 5. This must include at least 2 passes in acceptable Maths / Science based subjects at Level 4 – 5.
- Associate degree / Advanced Diploma / Higher Certificate / Higher Diploma, provided this is accredited by The Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications at the point of award and is listed on the Qualifications Register. These must be awarded in an acceptable Maths / Science based subject. Alternatively we can consider acceptable Maths / Science based courses passed within the award on an individual basis.

Hungary
- Erettségi / Matura: this must include at least 2 acceptable Maths / Science based subjects passed in the Matura examination at grade 4 or 5 or the equivalent.
Iceland
- Stúdentspróf: This must include evidence of acceptable Maths / Science based subjects, at an appropriate grade, in the final year of schooling.

Iran
- Pre-University Certificate: provided an overall grade of 12 - 20 is achieved. This must include at least 3 acceptable Maths / Science based subjects passed at grade 13 - 20 or the equivalent.

Israel
- Matriculation Certificate / Bagrut: provided a mark of at least 65 (out of 100) is achieved in at least seven subjects. Within this at least two acceptable Maths / Science based subjects must be taken as ‘level 5’ units.

Italy
- Diploma di Esame di Stato / Diploma di Maturita: this must include evidence of acceptable Maths / Science based subjects, studied in the final year of schooling.

Malaysia
- (In and after 2003) 3 STPM passes in non-overlapping subjects where grade BBC or above is achieved. At least one of these STPMs must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade B or above.
- Matrikulasi / Matriculation Certificate, provided a minimum CGPA of 2.6 (out of 4.0) is achieved. Furthermore, in Semester IV at least 2 acceptable Maths / Science based subjects must be passed at grade A – B minus or the equivalent.
- A Foundation Programme which is accredited at the point of award and is listed on the Malaysian Qualifications Register as enabling progression to MQF level 4. Additionally applicants must hold 5 non-overlapping SPMs at grade A – C / 1 – 6. This must be awarded in an acceptable Maths / Science based subject.
- A MQF level 4 Diploma which is at least 1 year full time in duration, is accredited at the point of award and is listed on the Malaysian Qualifications Register. This must be awarded in an acceptable Maths / Science based subject. Alternatively we can consider acceptable Maths / Science based courses passed within the award on an individual basis.

Maldives, Republic of the
- 3 UCLES A level passes in non-overlapping subjects where grade DDE or above is achieved. At least one of these A levels must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade D or above.

Malta
- (from 1997) Matriculation certificate. This must include at least one Advanced Level subject in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade C or above.
Mauritius
- 3 HSC / A level passes in non-overlapping subjects where grade DDE or above is achieved. At least one of these A levels must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade D or above.

Netherlands
- Diploma Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Ouderwijs (VWO). This must include at least 2 acceptable Maths / Science based subjects passed grade 7 or 10 or the equivalent (school and national examination average combined).

New Zealand
- University Entrance Certificates with National Certificates in Educational Achievement Level 3 (80 credits) with a majority of Merits / Excellences in subjects to be studied at Higher Education Institutions expressed on the Record of Learning. This must include at least 30 Level 3 credits at Merit / Excellences in acceptable Maths / Science based subjects.

Nigeria
- National Diploma awarded by an institution acceptable to the University of London, provided Upper Credit or above is achieved. This must be awarded in an acceptable Maths / Science based subject.

Norway
- Vitnemål fra den Videregående Skole / Examen Artium: This must include at least 2 optional final year Maths / Science based subjects passed at grade 4 – 6.

Poland
- Swiadectwo Dojrzałości: This must include evidence of acceptable Maths / Science based subjects, at an appropriate grade, within the Maturity Examination.

Portugal
- Certificado de fim de Estudos Secundários /Certidão do Décimo Segundo Ano: provided an overall average of at least 15 (out of 20) is achieved. This must include at least 2 final year Maths / Science based subjects passed at grade 15 – 20.

Romania
- Diplomă de Bacalaureat: this must include at least 1 Bacalaureat examination in an acceptable Maths / Science based subject passed at grade 8 – 10.

Scotland
- Scottish Certificate of Education Higher Level, provided five subjects are obtained at CCCBB or above. Two of these subjects must be passed in Maths / Science based subject at grade A – B.

Serbia
- Matura (Secondary School Leaving Diploma): provided in the final (4th) year of study 3 separate Maths / Science based subjects are passed at grade 4 – 5.
Seychelles
- 3 COHSC passes in non-overlapping subjects where grade DDE or above is achieved. At least one of these A levels must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade D or above.

Singapore
- 3 Singapore/Cambridge H2 level passes in non-overlapping subjects where grade DDE or above is achieved. At least one of these A levels must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade D or above.
- NUS High School of Mathematics and Science: NUS High School Diploma.
- Polytechnic Diploma / Advanced Diploma / Specialist Diploma awarded by one of the following: Nanyang Polytechnic, Ngee Ann Polytechnic, Republic Polytechnic, Singapore Polytechnic or Temasek Polytechnic. This must be awarded in an acceptable Maths / Science based subject. Alternatively we can consider acceptable Maths / Science based courses passed within the award on an individual basis.

Slovakia
- Maturitná Skúška / Maturita: provided in the final (4th) year of study 3 separate Maths / Science based subjects are passed at grade 1 – 2.

Slovenia
- Maturitná Skúška / Maturita: provided in the final (4th) year of study 3 separate Maths / Science based subjects are passed at grade 4 – 5.

Spain
- Curso de Orientación Universitaria (COU) / Prueba de Acceso Universidad (PAU) / Selectividad / Título de Bachiller: provided an overall average of at least 6.5 (out of 10) is achieved. This must include evidence of acceptable Maths / Science based subjects, at an appropriate grade, in the final year of schooling.

Sweden
- Avgångsbetyg / Slutbetyg: This must include evidence of acceptable Maths / Science based subjects, at an appropriate grade, in the final year of schooling.

Switzerland
- Matura or acceptable equivalent: provided at least 2 matriculation examinations in acceptable Maths / Science based subjects are passed at grade 4.5 or above or an acceptable equivalent.

Tanzania
- 3 ACSE Principle Passes in non-overlapping subjects where grade DDE or above is achieved. At least one of these A levels must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade D or above.
Uganda
- 3 UACE Principle Passes in non-overlapping subjects where grade DDE or above is achieved. At least one of these A levels must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade D or above.

USA
- Advanced Placement (AP) Examinations of the American College Board, provided at least two full, non-overlapping, subjects are passed at grades 3, 4 or 5 (with the exception of Studio Art). Please note Microeconomics and Macroeconomics are valued as half a full subject each. One of the passed subjects must be passed in Calculus, Statistics Psychology or Biology.
- 30 credits from a Regionally Accredited Institution, including at least 6 credits in acceptable Maths / Science based subjects. Additionally applicants must hold the US High School Diploma or an acceptable equivalent.

Zimbabwe
- 3 ZCSE AL passes in non-overlapping subjects where grade DDE or above is achieved. At least one of these A levels must be in Mathematics, Psychology or Biology at grade D or above.