

Faculty of Social Sciences and International Relations

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology (BA in Psychology)

I. Why Choose this Program?

The Bachelor of Arts in Psychology (BA in Psychology) program was designed to:

1. Build a thorough foundation in psychological theory, research methods, and applied practice spanning cognitive, developmental, social, abnormal, and applied psychology.
2. Understand why people think, feel, and act the way they do across individual, organizational, and social contexts through an interdisciplinary curriculum.
3. Develop critical thinking, research literacy, and evidence-based reasoning skills essential for understanding human behavior in all its complexity.
4. Apply psychological principles to leadership, motivation, counseling, education, and public policy in real-world professional settings.
5. Connect global psychological knowledge to local social realities in Cambodia and Southeast Asia, including mental health, community well-being, and education.
6. Prepare for graduate study or professional practice in psychology, social work, public health, counseling, or related disciplines.

II. Future Career Prospects

Graduates from this program will be able to pursue careers such as:

1. Counselor or mental health support worker in hospitals, clinics, community health centers, NGOs, and social service organizations.
2. Human resources officer, staff development specialist, or organizational consultant applying psychological principles in private and public sector workplaces.
3. Early childhood development facilitator, educational support officer, or program coordinator in schools and educational NGOs.
4. Behavioral analyst or policy research associate in government agencies, international organizations, or research institutions.
5. Advocacy or psychosocial support specialist in civil society organizations addressing gender-based violence, refugee assistance, or community resilience.
6. Graduate student in psychology, social work, public health, or related fields at universities in Cambodia and abroad.

III. Course Structure

The four-year program consists of **120 credits** and is structured to provide students with a comprehensive academic foundation through a well-balanced curriculum of foundation, functional, pre-major, and major courses.

To fulfill the graduation requirements, students must successfully complete the following coursework:

YEAR 1		
Course Title	Credits	Priority
English I: Reading and Composition + Lab	4	Required
Gender Studies	3	Required
Khmer Studies	3	Required
Digital Literacy + Lab	4	Required
English II: Reading and Composition + Lab	4	Required
History of Cambodia	4	Required
Environmental Science	3	Required
Introduction to Political Science	3	Required
YEAR 2		
Course Title	Credits	Priority
Personal Growth and Development	4	Required
ASEAN Government, Politics and Economics	4	Required
Logic and Critical Thinking	3	Required
Theories of International Relations	3	Required
Introduction to Law	3	Required
Introduction to Social Psychology	3	Required
State Capacity and Institutional Development	3	Required
Psychology of Motivation and Leadership	3	Required
Organizational Communication and Dispute Resolution	3	Required

YEAR 3		
Course Title	Credits	Priority
Management and Organizational Behavior Theory	3	Required
Human Resource Management	3	Required
Psychology of Motivation and Leadership	3	Required
Personality Theory	3	Required
Political Philosophy	3	Required
Cognitive Psychology	3	Required
Developmental Psychology	3	Required
Counselling with Disempowered, Depressed, and Victimized Clients	4	Required
Research Methods in Psychology	4	Required
YEAR 4		
Course Title	Credits	Priority
Political Sociology and Ideology	3	Required
Abnormal Psychology	3	Required
Behavioral Foundations of Public Policy	3	Required
Human Security: Power, Politics, and Perils	3	Required
Political Psychology	3	Required
Methods of Psychotherapy	3	Required
Community Psychology	3	Required
Peace and Conflict Resolution	3	Required
Political Sociology and Ideology	3	Required
GRADUATION PATH		
Option I: Senior Project	6	Required
Option II: Internship + Exit Exam	6	Required

****Note:** Graduation Path: Students choose only **ONE** option.*