Do you often wonder about your own behaviour and that of others? If so, Psychology might be the right choice for you!

When you think about psychology, do you think about ‘talking to people who are having a hard time’? In that case, we challenge you to get to know our programme. You will discover that the discipline is much broader than you might think!

In the Bachelor’s programme in Psychology, you will research the behaviour, mind and emotions of humans. You will learn how the brain controls our behaviour and how we develop, from infancy to old age. Moreover, you learn to understand how our environment and the social groups of which we are a part, influence the way we think, feel and act. Are you ready to embark on a programme that will change your beliefs about people, the world and your self-image?

Your programme

During the Bachelor’s programme, you will focus on three domains.

Brain & Cognition
How does the brain work and what role does it play in our behaviour?
In this domain you will learn about the anatomy of the brain. You will study language, learning, memory, perception and emotions. You will also focus on disorders such as strokes and dementia.

Development & Mental Health
Which developmental changes do humans go through during the course of their life, from infancy to old age?
In this domain you will study the cognitive, motor, moral and social-emotional development of humans. You will learn how our social context (family, school, work, culture) influences our wellbeing and you will practice how to recognize and treat psychological disorders in children, adults and the elderly.

Behaviour & Environment
How do groups and (sub)cultures influence our thoughts, emotions and our behaviour?
This domain will teach you all you need to know about interpersonal relationships, group behaviour, stereotypes and prosocial and antisocial behaviour. You will study the ways in which humans interact with each other and how they influence each other, for example, in families, at the sports club or at work.

Skills
Next to the theoretical part, you will practice the following skills:
› Academic skills: academic writing, critical and creative thinking, reasoning and presenting.
› Research skills: forming research questions, conducting research, and analysing and interpreting data.
› Professional skills: observing, conducting interviews, diagnostic testing, advising and coaching.

‘What I like most about the Psychology programme is the very broad and varied approach to the field of Psychology.’
Silviu, second year student
After your Bachelor’s

Move onto a Master’s programme at Radboud university

› Work, Organisation & Health (specialisation of the Master’s Psychology)
› Behavioural Change (specialisation of the Master’s Psychology)
› Health Psychology (selective specialisation of the Master’s Psychology: Dutch-taught programme)
› Cognitive Neuroscience (selective Research Master’s programme)
› Behavioural Science (selective Research Master’s programme).

Career opportunities

Because behaviour is everywhere, psychologists are employed in a wide range of areas. Some examples of job positions:

› Healthcare psychologist
› Work and organisational psychologist
› Behavioural change advisor, e.g. in advertising or sports
› Scientific researcher.

Numerus fixus: maximum 600!

Radboud University values small-scale and interactive education. That’s why we can only admit 600 students to the Psychology programme. To register for the selection procedure, all applicants need to apply in Studielink between 10 October 2018 and 15 January 2019.

First year

The beginning of the first year will offer you an overview of psychology as a whole. After that, you will take an introductory theoretical course into each domain. You will also practice the skills necessary for your work as a future psychologist.

Second year

In the second year, you will learn how to apply the theory from the three domains. You will also practice your academic and professional skills at an advanced level. From the second year onwards, you have the opportunity to compose your own personal learning path by means of electives.

Third year

In the third year, you choose the direction you wish to take in psychology. You will specialize by means of four elective courses. You will compose your own learning path and have the opportunity to study abroad and take courses at one of our 130 partner universities. You will finish this year with a Bachelor’s thesis which you will write within your chosen domain.

Course credits

First year 60
Second year 60
Third year 60

Why is it so difficult to quit gaming or snacking?
Why are people so good at labeling and stereotyping?
How can we ensure that we turn our goals into behaviour?

Prof. dr. Rob Holland will answer these questions at:
www.ru.nl/bachelors/psychology
Visit the Open Day
Learn more about the study programme, get a taste of the campus and talk to students and teachers.
When: 2&3 November 2018, 30 March 2019

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When: December 2018, Spring 2019

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3 years fulltime

Language of instruction: English

Admission Requirements:
• vwo diploma (all profiles)
• hbo propaedeutic certificate (hbo-propedeuse), provided you have obtained Mathematics and English at vwo level.
• hbo Bachelor’s degree or international diploma: assessment on an individual basis
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380-420 first-year students

12-18 Contact hours per week

77% Advancement to second year

7,6 Rating from our students (National Student Survey)

3 likes from Andra (third year student) for Psychology at Radboud University

1. Outstanding research facilities
The Psychology programme offers a lot of opportunities for research. Even in our first year, we already had to conduct our own study based on a topic of interest. The teachers are always available to answer any questions you might have and guide you through the process. They offer productive feedback to help you achieve your goals.

2. Good contact
You get the chance to work in small groups where you can deepen your understanding of the course material. It is very useful to be able to ask questions and clear out any misunderstandings or uncertainties. You collaborate with your fellow classmates on assignments and you get individual feedback from teachers.

3. Internationalisation
The programme brings together teachers and students from different countries around the world with a passion for Psychology. It is a great way to connect with individuals with different backgrounds: it broadens your view. People are always open to talk and share ideas. You feel very welcomed here.

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