



Higher Diploma in Psychology

心理學高級文憑

The programme aims to equip students with **foundational psychological knowledge and skills to develop a career in human services**, especially in social welfare and healthcare settings.



Direct Articulation

Directly articulate to senior year entry of the Bachelor of Social Science (Honours) programme upon completion of studies.

Programme Leader

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PhD in Psychology,
MEd in Educational Psychology,
University of Macau, Macau

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Medium of Instruction	English
Total No. of Credits	60 credits
Years of Study	2 years



QF Level: 4
QR registration no.: 16/000198/L4
Validity period: 01/09/2016 to 31/08/2025

Programme Information



www.twc.edu.hk/hdpsy

Programme Objectives

- To learn the interaction between psychological and social factors in shaping psychological wellbeing, personal development and group behaviours;
- To apply knowledge, communication and interpersonal skills, a caring attitude as well as professional ethics to work in health and social care and related services.

GUARANTEED Overseas Study Visit

At least 1 overseas study visit to broaden students' exposure.

Internship

At least 240 hours of full-time context-related internship.



Career Prospects & Further Studies

- Graduates can explore diverse and rewarding career paths in human and social care services, with a special emphasis on meeting the unique needs of our rapidly aging world and emerging technologies. These paths may include mental health care, psychological services, counselling, social welfare, marketing, and human resources.
- Graduates with satisfactory performance can articulate to senior year entry of the Bachelor of Social Science (Honours) in Applied Psychology at TWC, or relevant bachelor's degree programmes at other institutions.

Tuition Fee

Year	Tuition Fee (HK\$)
Year 1	\$ 63,070
Year 2	\$ 63,070
Programme Total	\$126,140
Annual Average	\$ 63,070

* Tung Wah College will adjust the tuition fee of its programmes based on the Composite Consumer Price Index to be announced by the Government annually.

* All fees paid are non-refundable and non-transferable.



Students'/ Graduates' Sharing



Hau Hok Him

Graduate of Higher Diploma in Psychology (2019)

Graduate of Bachelor of Social Science (Honours) in Applied Psychology (2021)

Now studying Master of Science in Work and Organisational Psychology at Lingnan University

I am impressed by the TWC academic staff, who always focus on inspiring and encouraging students to think out of the box during academic consultations. The theories taught in the programme are practical and applicable in many industries. After graduating from the Higher Diploma in Psychology, I continue my study in the Bachelor of Social Science (Honours) in Applied Psychology at TWC. I am confident that this will equip me for my career in the future.

Admission Requirements

For Year 1 entry to Higher Diploma programmes, applicants should meet one of the following requirements: *

1. Have obtained Level 2 in five HKDSE subjects⁽³⁾ including Chinese Language⁽¹⁾ and English Language⁽²⁾. (Applicant is allowed to use Applied Learning subjects⁽⁴⁾ in the application); OR
2. Have obtained a pass in one AL subject or passes in two AS subjects in HKALE and five passes in HKCEE including Chinese Language and English Language; OR
3. Have obtained a pass in one AL subject or passes in two AS subjects in HKALE and three passes in HKCEE plus Level 2 for Chinese Language and English Language; OR
4. Have successfully completed a Pre-Associate Degree programme; OR
5. Have successfully completed Diploma Yi Jin / Diploma of Applied Education programme; OR
6. Have obtained an equivalent qualification (Mainland applicants with National Joint College Entrance Examination (JEE) results will also be considered. 持普通高等學校聯合招生考試成績之內地申請人亦將予以考慮)⁽⁵⁾; OR
7. Have relevant and substantial work experience and/or prior qualification(s) obtained in or outside Hong Kong (e.g. assessed through recognition of prior learning and credit accumulation and transfer), with demonstrated ability to undertake sub-degree education; OR
8. Have reached the age of 21 or above.

Notes (1) For non-Chinese-speaking learners, alternative Chinese Language qualifications will be accepted for students who have met the specified conditions: (a) students who have learned Chinese Language for less than 6 years while receiving primary and secondary education; (b) students who have learned Chinese Language for 6 years or more in schools, but have been taught an adapted and simpler Chinese Language curriculum not normally applicable to the majority of students in local schools. ApL Chinese (for non-Chinese speaking students) should, in general, be accepted as an alternative Chinese Language qualification, among other acceptable alternative Chinese Language qualifications.

(2) Students with HKDSE English Language results at Level 3 or below are required to complete non-credit bearing English enhancement course(s) in the first year of study.

(3) If one of the five HKDSE subjects is Citizenship and Social Development subject, the minimum entrance requirement would become "Attained" for Citizenship and Social Development subject and Level 2 in four other HKDSE subjects including Chinese and English. Besides, Level 2 in Mathematics Extended Part (Module 1 or Module 2) is also recognised as one of the five HKDSE subjects in fulfilling the minimum entrance requirement.

(4) The Applied Learning (ApL) subjects do not include ApL Chinese (for non-Chinese speaking students) as this subject is introduced to provide an additional channel exclusively for non-Chinese speaking students to obtain an alternative Chinese language qualification. For the 2012-2017 HKDSE Examinations, students attaining the results of "Attained" and "Attained with Distinction" in the ApL subjects are accepted as attaining the competencies required at Level 2 and Level 3 or above of Category A subjects of the HKDSE Examination respectively for the purposes of further studies and work. Effective from the 2018 HKDSE Examination, the reporting of students' performance is refined to "Attained", "Attained with Distinction (I)" and "Attained with Distinction (II)". Performance of "Attained with Distinction (I)" is comparable to Level 3 while "Attained with Distinction (II)" is comparable to Level 4 or above of Category A subjects of the HKDSE Examination.

(5) An example of equivalent qualification: Mainland applicants who have met the 3rd cut-off line of the respective province in the National Joint College Entrance Examination (JEE) and the score of English Language is at least 80.

* Subject to the approval of the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications.



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