



Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC)

Accreditation Assessment Report University of Wollongong

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University of Wollongong

Context

Higher education provider	University of Wollongong (UOW)
Academic organisational unit (AOU)	School of Psychology (School)
Campus	Dubai
Assessment type	Monitoring Visit (out of cycle follow up)
Accreditation period	30 October 2023 to 31 December 2027
Accreditation Standards	Accreditation standards for psychology programs (effective 1 January 2019, version 1.2)



Assessment timeline

Dates	Assessment activities
18/08/2023	UOW submits an application for accreditation of an existing accredited program - Bachelor of Psychological Science (Level 1) at an additional campus in Dubai
30/10/2023	Accreditation Assessment Committee (AAC) accredits Bachelor of Psychological Science (Level 1) (Campus: Dubai) with conditions that were imposed on the existing Level 1 psychology sequence programs. A monitoring requirement is imposed on the Level 1 program (Campus: Dubai) for a follow-up monitoring site visit to be undertaken by 31/12/2024
24/01/2024	UOW submits a progress report
12/02/2024	AAC determines that Level 1 programs, including Bachelor of Psychological Science (Level 1) (Campus: Dubai), are accredited without conditions
29/07/2024	AAC provided an extension for the monitoring site visit to be completed by 30/06/2025.
12/05/2025	AAC provided an extension for the monitoring site visit to be completed by 31/12/2025.
13/11/2025	UOW provides a brief submission to APAC
17/11/2025	APAC assessment team meeting 1
24/11/2025 - 26/11/2025	UOW submits further information as requested
24/11/2025 – 26/11/2025	UOW hosts monitoring site visit
02/02/2026	AAC endorses draft assessment report
25/02/2026	UOW receives draft assessment report
11/03/2026	UOW confirms no rejoinder will be provided
13/04/2026	AAC determines assessment outcomes



Findings

APAC thanks UOW for their cooperation through the accreditation process.

Accreditation status

Accredited

The following program remains accredited until **31 December 2027**:

Program title	Campus	Level	Sequence	Program status
Bachelor of Psychological Science	Dubai	Level 1	1 -3 year	Accredited with conditions



Conditions

Further evidence is required to demonstrate the Accreditation Standards are met.

Program levels	Criteria	Issues identified	Shortfall Information required	Due dates
Level 1 <i>Dubai campus only</i>	1.7, 2.5, 3.3, 5.5	Support for staff to deliver the components of the programs they teach	<p>Evidence demonstrating that staff are supported to deliver cultural responsiveness with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures within the program.</p> <p>Evidence may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • adaptations of teaching materials for offshore academics • overviews of staff's formal training in cultural responsiveness as it relates to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, and ○ the delivery and assessment of cultural responsiveness with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures as a learning outcome (relates to criteria 3.8, 5.1, 5.2). 	31/12/2026
		New staff, assessor qualifications and experience	<p>Evidence demonstrating that newly appointed staff are appropriately qualified for teaching, assessment and administrative duties.</p> <p>Evidence may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newly appointed staff's CVs for Year 1 and Year 2 of the program. 	31/07/2026
			<p>Evidence may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newly appointed staff's CVs for Year 3 of the program. 	31/12/2026



Program levels	Criteria	Issues identified	Shortfall Information required	Due dates
Level 1 <i>Dubai campus only</i>	3.8, 5.1, 5.2	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and assessment	Evidence that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural responsiveness is taught, integrated and assessed as a required learning outcome.	31/07/2026



Monitoring requirements

Monitoring is required to ensure the Accreditation Standards continue to be met.

Program levels	Criteria	Issues identified	Shortfall Information required	Due dates
Level 1 <i>Dubai campus only</i>	3.4	Sufficient staffing	An update on the staffing arrangements to support the delivery of the program at the Dubai campus, including evidence demonstrating that the program has sufficient staffing to support the student cohort in acquiring the relevant graduate competencies.	31/12/2026



Closed monitoring requirements

Evidence confirms that the following monitoring requirements have been met:

Program levels	Criteria	Issues identified	Information required	Outcome
Level 1 <i>Dubai Campus only</i>		Program implementation – monitoring site visit	A virtual monitoring site visit is to be undertaken by December 2025 to ensure that the program is rolling out as intended and continues to meet the Accreditation Standards.	Met



Commendations

A commendation refers to a particularly significant achievement by the education provider with regard to the program.

The Assessment Team have made the subsequent commendation following the evaluation of the program. The School of Psychology at the University of Wollongong (UOW) is commended for:

- the strong connection and collaboration between UOW in Australia and in Dubai, and a high level of support provided to students in Dubai during their studies via the University's well-structured, multi-layered support system.