

Honours in Science at Monash

What can Honours in Science do for you?



Find out more about honours

Hear from current honours students and supervisors:

Honours Information session
Tuesday, September 4th 1-2pm
Lecture Theatre E7, Building 72

Application process and application form:

<http://www.sci.monash.edu.au/undergrad/honours/apply.html>

A list of research supervisors and contacts can be found at:

<http://www.sci.monash.edu.au/undergrad/honours/coord.html>

Why Honours?

An Honours degree gives you enhanced employment opportunities. Employers appreciate the Honours degree as a guarantee of additional skills, knowledge and achievement. Honours projects build experience and further develop skills learnt in undergraduate studies, including

- Time management
- Report writing
- Independent inquiry
- Advanced science techniques

Most importantly, Honours gives you the first big chance to 'stretch your legs' on your very own project. Many students remember Honours as one of the most challenging and rewarding years at University.

Basic course details

A science honours program requires the completion of 48 points of study in a particular science discipline. The program has two components:

- advanced coursework that allows you to gain in-depth knowledge in your area of interest, and
- a major project which normally contributes at least 40% of the workload and assessment for the course.

The honours program is available in most of the science areas of study listed in the Undergraduate Handbook, and depending on the area of specialisation, it is available for commencement in either March or July in any year and is normally completed in either one year of full-time study or two years of part-time study.

Entry requirements

In addition to having qualified for the BSc (or equivalent), students must achieve a distinction grade average (70 per cent) or above in 24 points of studies in relevant units at level three. These 24 points of studies will normally include at least 18 points of units in the science area of study in which honours is undertaken. Students who have obtained an average of 65 to 69 per cent in their main third-year sequence may also be eligible for consideration if they have also obtained an average of at least 65 per cent in their remaining level-three units and the relevant head of school supports their application.

Combining Honours with a double degree

You do not need to complete your double degree with the BSc to undertake an Honours program. If you have completed at least 144 points of your studies, including all requirements of your science component, you can apply for entry to Honours.

Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Engineering students who wish to undertake the Honours program in science, transfer to the course Bachelor of Science (Hons)/Bachelor of Engineering, where they complete the one-year Honours program, followed by the remainder of their engineering requirements.

In other double degree courses, students take intermission to undertake the honours program.

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What is Honours?

The prestigious Honours program is a fourth year of study, comprising a mix of advanced theory, professional training for a scientific career and a project leading to a thesis. How can you find out more about the Science Honours program? Come along to our information session and hear from honours coordinators and current honours students.

When?

Tuesday, September 4th, 1pm – 2pm

Where?

Building 72, Lecture Theatre E7.

