

WELCOME WEEK TIMETABLE

BSc Cognitive Neuroscience and Psychology Year 2

Academic Year: 2026-27

Monday 21st – Friday 25th September 2026

Welcome to your studies at the University of Manchester!

This document contains details of all the activities which have been organised to introduce you to our course and the campus. Different sessions are planned on each day. Make sure you attend these sessions so that you are ready to start the course. **Please pay attention to the study cohort (i.e. on campus, e-blended, full time).**

Semester 1 teaching starts in the week beginning 28th September. Make sure you have accessed your timetable in advance and are aware of all your sessions for this week.

You can use the following link to the campus map to help you find each session by its building number.

Map: <https://documents.manchester.ac.uk/display.aspx?DocID=6507>

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If you have any questions, please contact us at shs.hub@manchester.ac.uk

We hope you enjoy your week!

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Monday 21st September	
12:00-14:00	MATURE STUDENT LUNCH Mature students start their studies a little later and are defined as any student who is 21 years or over at the start of their degrees. Being a mature student can involve a different set of pressures, hopes and ambitions. This informal lunch is an opportunity to socialise with other mature students and staff. Staff: Lou Shirley, Liz McManus, Doron Cohen, Ruth Johnson, Amber Ruigrok, Lee Wickham and Rachel Ashworth Location: Ellen Wilkinson Building, room B2.4

Tuesday 22nd September	
10:00-11:00	INTRODUCTION TO YEAR 2 Come along to this session from your new programme director, Dr Ruth Johnson, which is all about what to expect from your course this year. There will be lots of useful information to help you settle in and hopefully make a strong start to the year. Staff: Ruth Johnson Location: Humanities Bridgeford Street Building, room G33
14:00-15:30	TIME FOR SELF-STUDY: PLACEMENTS, STUDY ABROAD, CAREERS, UNIT SELECTION This is the suggested time to complete important preparation before the Taking a Year Out session: • Read the Year Placement ‘Student Guide’ information (from ‘Why do a Placement Year’ to ‘Passing the Placement Year’) • Review the Student Study Abroad guide Staff: Ruth Johnson, Amber Ruigrok and Ming Wai Wan, Kamelia Harris, Emma Gowen and Wai Yeung Location: Online in the BSc Cognitive Neuroscience and Psychology Canvas Community Space

Wednesday 23rd September	
14:00-15:00	TAKING A YEAR OUT In this session, we will cover key details about the Year Placement and Study Abroad schemes. Please make sure you have reviewed the guides on Tuesday in preparation! There will be an opportunity to anonymously ask questions

	through a Padlet. We will also be joined by several students who will share their experiences of doing a placement year or going on study abroad. These are fantastic opportunities that are newly accessible for BSc Cognitive Neuroscience & Psychology students, so do come along to find out more! Staff: Ruth Johnson, Amber Ruigrok, Ming Wai Wan, Kamelia Harris, Emma Gowen, Wai Yeung Location: Simon Building, Lecture Theatre E
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Thursday 24 th September	
10:00-11:00	CAREERS & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT This jam-packed session will give you more information about support available in Year 2 for your career options and self-development. Our FBMH Careers Consultants will get you inspired about your career prospects and how to make the most of Year 2! You'll hear from our Social Responsibility lead, Professor Ellen Poliakoff, about the many ways you can contribute to social responsibility at Manchester whilst benefiting your personal and career development. Staff: Ruth Johnson, Amber Ruigrok, Ming Wai Wan, Ellen Poliakoff, Emma Brewin-Caddy, Billi Charrington-Golland Location: Simon Building, Lecture Theatre E
14:00-15:00	PROGRAMME DIRECTOR DROP-IN Come along to this optional drop-in if you have any questions for the Programme Director! Whether that's about anything from Welcome Week, or the coming Semester or beyond. Staff: Ruth Johnson Location: Simon Building, room 4.05