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MASTER OF PSYCHOLOGY

2021 Admissions Guide

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SATAC CODE
3CM087 (Health) 3CM086 (Clinical)
3CM088 (Organisational)

CRICOS
061743M(Health) 001449C (Clinical)
042771J (Organisational)

DURATION
2 years full-time (or part-time equiv.)

AQF Level
9

LOCATION
North Terrace Campus

MID-YEAR ENTRY
Not available

DEFERRAL
Yes

Career Opportunities

Upon successful completion of the degree, graduates are eligible to apply for full registration with the Psychology Board of Australia and to seek employment in a wide variety of settings. Graduates are highly sought after for roles in the public and private sector, or can even choose to work in private practice.

- Health psychologists specialise in understanding the relationships between psychological factors and health and illness, and practise in two main areas: health promotion and clinical health psychology. After graduation, students will have the skills to assist people with mental health and chronic physical health conditions. Our Master of Psychology (Health) is also one of only two postgraduate health psychology degrees currently available in Australia.

- Clinical psychologists work with clients with high and low prevalent mental health issues—including anxiety, depression and psychosis. They have specialist skills in the assessment, diagnosis and treatment of major mental illnesses and psychological problems.

- Organisational psychologists inspire change and improve people's experiences in the workplace. Studying Organisational and Human Factors can lead to a fulfilling career delivering professional psychological services to organisations and their people.

Further supervision after graduation is required to become an endorsed Psychologist in any of these fields.

Quotas

Entry to this degree is competitive and strict quotas apply – as such the availabilities of domestic places at any given time cannot be guaranteed. Interviews will also be offered to applicants from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds who otherwise meet the academic requirements.

Ranking

Invitations to attend an interview will be extended based on a combination of academic performance and the additional information that is provided as part of the below application processes. Ranking for invite to interview will only take place once applications close in October.

Entry overview

Entry is available to graduates with a four-year qualification in Psychology or equivalent (including Honours with a minimum grade of Second Class, Division A and an individually-conducted research project carrying 33% or more of the years' work). The degree must meet the standards set out by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC), including the accredited sequence in Psychology having been completed within the last 10 years. Refer to **psychologycouncil.org.au** if you have completed an Australian Degree and are unsure about the accreditation of your four-year qualification.

Applicants who have an overseas Honours qualification should supply a certified copy of the assessment of their qualifications by the Australian Psychological Society (APS), and information about the research component of their qualifications. Information on having your qualification assessed by APS can be found at **psychology.org.au/assessment.**

Students who undertake Honours in Psychology at an accredited Australian university do not need to have their qualifications assessed by APS.

In order to be considered for 2021 entry, applicants must have completed their four-year sequence in Psychology between 2011 and 2020. The ONLY exception to this is where applicants have completed their four-year sequence in Psychology before 2011 but have completed a PhD in Psychology between 2011 and 2020.

A students' place in the program is contingent on being able to register as a Provisional Psychologist with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA). If you are unable to obtain provisional registration, then you will be unable to continue in the program. The University of Adelaide accepts no responsibility should you be unable to obtain provisional registration after gaining entry to the program. If your four-year sequence in Psychology was completed more than 10 years ago, or you have any reason to believe your background may impact your ability to register, we encourage you to clarify your eligibility for registration with **AHPRA/Contact-Us.**

Invitations to attend an interview will be extended based on a combination of academic performance and references.

Additional entry requirements

Additionally, applicants MUST:

- be eligible for registration with the Psychology Board of Australia (PsyBA) as a provisional psychologist.

- provide two referee reports submitted through the HoDSPA (Heads of Departments and Schools of Psychology Australia) website at http://www.psychologyreference.org/ by no later than Monday 19 October 2020.

- provide details of relevant work experience and details of any published works via the submission of a comprehensive CV (Curriculum Vitae) within the SATAC application.

English language requirements

International applicants must also satisfy English Language Requirements as set out by AHPRA at **ahpra.gov.au/registration**

How To Apply

Domestic applicants must apply via SATAC here: **satac.edu.au/postgraduate-apply**

International applicants must apply via **international.adelaide.edu.au/apply-now**

Interview

Invitations to attend an interview will be administered via Admissions@Adelaide, and further details will be provided to the email address included in your SATAC application.

Interview Structure

Interviews will be conducted using a multiple mini interview (MMI) approach where applicants will be interviewed by a different person/s for each question.

Preparing for the interview?

Please allow up to 2 hours to complete the process which includes registration, reading time and an optional exit survey.

Where are interviews held?

As a result of COVID-19, all interviews for the 2021 intake will be conducted via Zoom. This includes applicants who currently reside in South Australia.

There is no option offered for conducting interviews by telephone or Skype, and any requests will be declined. It is your responsibility to ensure that you are available during the nominated times, as interviews will not be conducted outside of these dates.

If you have been invited to an interview for more than one Master of Psychology program at the University of Adelaide, you are required to only book into ONE interview session time.

Booking availability is on a first come, first served basis. Once you book an interview you will be provided with further information and links to access your interview via Zoom.

You must login 30 minutes prior to the interview time you have booked.

Please be aware you will need to provide photo ID which includes your date of birth during registration (i.e. driver's license, passport, student ID card). Your photo ID must be current and we must be able to identify you from the photo ID you present or you will not be allowed to progress to the interview.

After you have registered, you will be given a copy of the interview questions and a scenario. You will then have 20 minutes reading and preparation time prior to your Interview.

Can I reschedule my interview?

Once the booking system has closed, an interview cannot be rescheduled. An interview will similarly not be rescheduled for reasons including (but not limited to): difficulties locating the building, transportation delays, or conflicting interview times with other universities.

A request to reschedule under medical or compassionate circumstances can be made via email (with supporting documentation) to the Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences for consideration within five days of the original interview. Please submit your request to **askhealthsc@adelaide.edu.au.** Requests must be submitted by the applicant directly and will be considered on a case by case basis. Examples of medical or compassionate circumstances include but are not limited to: illness, car accident or injury, death of a family member, and natural disaster/emergency.

Key Dates

SATAC applications will close on 19 October 2020.

Interview invites and interviews will be provided from early November 2020.

Offer rounds will commence from November 2020 and continue into February 2021.

Orientation will commence in January 2021.

FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES

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