



THE UNIVERSITY
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Master of Psychology

2024 Admissions Guide





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

No

Our Master of Psychology programs provide the knowledge and skills needed to practise as a registered psychologist.

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 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 prevalence mental health disorders. 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. Our Master of Psychology (Organisational and Human Factors) is also one of only five postgraduate organisational psychology degrees currently available in Australia.

Graduates are eligible to become a registered psychologist but must undertake further supervision after graduation to obtain an area of practice endorsement in their relevant area of psychology training (i.e., clinical, health or organisational psychology).



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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). 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. The ONLY exception to this is where applicants have completed their four-year sequence in Psychology more than 10 years ago but have completed a PhD in Psychology within the past 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 the APS can be found at psychology.org.au/about-us/what-we-do/assessing-overseas-qualifications/aps-assessment-skilled-migration-university-entry

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

A student's 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](#).

Ranking

The selection process occurs over two rounds—September and December. Invitations to attend an interview will be extended based on a combination of academic performance and performance on the Casper Situational Judgment Test.

The Casper is an online, open-response situational judgment test (SJT). It asks what you would do in a tough situation, and more importantly, why. The test is designed to ensure applicants are not only academically capable, but also possess suitable personal and professional qualities that make them more likely to succeed in the profession. For more information, visit: acuityinsights.app/casper/

All applicants must submit their Honours/4th year results in the form of an official transcript, or final results able to be officially verified by the University of Adelaide and Casper Situational Judgement Test results by the relevant date for the round in which they are applying. For the September round, that is close of business 25 August 2023, and for the December round that is close of business 8 November 2023.

If you have not uploaded your finalised grades and Casper Situational Judgement Test result by this date, your application will not be considered further and you will not be eligible for an invitation to attend an interview.

Quotas

Entry to this degree is competitive and strict quotas apply. As such, the availability of places in any given intake is limited.

Additional entry requirements

Honours of 2A or above/equivalent GPA.

Additionally, applicants (including those with a PhD) MUST:

- provide a copy of their Honours/4th year result in the form of an official transcript, or final results able to be officially verified by the University of Adelaide by the relevant date for the round in which they are applying
- provide Casper Situational Judgement Test results by the relevant date for the round in which they are applying.
- attend an interview
- be eligible for registration with the Psychology Board of Australian (PsyBA) as a provisional psychologist.

Inherent requirements

The inherent requirements for Master of Psychology degrees at the University of Adelaide identify the core abilities and competencies needed to become a Registered Psychologist. Inherent requirements must be met by all students.

If you are intending to enrol in the Master of Psychology, you must review the inherent requirement statements at health.adelaide.edu.au/study-with-us/inherent-requirements/psychology and consider whether you are able to meet these requirements.

English language requirements

International applicants must satisfy English Language Requirements as set out by AHPRA at:

ahpra.gov.au/registration/registration-standards/english-language-skills.aspx.

International applicants are strongly encouraged to submit evidence of meeting the English Language Requirement at the time of application.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

The Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences is committed to increasing the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who participate in its programs, and makes particular effort to encourage Indigenous students to participate in health education.

How to apply

Domestic applicants must apply via SATAC here:

satac.edu.au/postgraduate-apply

International applicants must apply via

international.adelaide.edu.au/admissions/how-to-apply

How are interview invitations issued?

Invitations to attend an interview will be sent to the email address included in your SATAC application.

How are interviews structured?

Interviews will be specific to each Master of Psychology Program (i.e., Clinical, Health or Organisational and Human Factors). Applicants will be interviewed by at least two interviewers who hold qualifications in the relevant area of psychology practice.

How do I prepare for the interview?

Please allow up to 1 hour to complete the process which includes registration, reading time and an optional exit survey.

When booking your interview, you will receive information about the interview process. This will include your obligations, such as ensuring that you are in a private location, that you do not talk, listen to or otherwise communicate with another person during the course of the interviews, and that you do not access any print or electronic notes/documents/websites during the course of the interviews.

If you breach any of the interview conditions, your interview may be cancelled, in which case you will be ineligible to be ranked for an offer to a Master of Psychology program.

Where are interviews held?

All interviews for the 2024 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 the scheduled dates.

Applicants invited to interview for more than one Master of Psychology program may be required to book individual interviews for each program. 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.

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.

For each interview you have been offered, once you have registered, you will be given a copy of the interview questions. You will then have 20 minutes reading and preparation time prior to your interview.

You may not access any other notes/documents/websites (print or electronic) to make your notes in response to the questions.

It is your responsibility to log in 30 minutes prior to your interview. If you fail to do so, you will not be granted extra reading and preparation time, and your interview will begin at the time you have booked.

Please note: The University cannot be held responsible if your email set-up filters the University's email into a SPAM, Junk or other such folder – you are advised to check your email settings. All notification emails are sent to the email address listed in your SATAC application form. If you unsubscribe from University emails, or your email address is invalid, the University can not be held responsible. Appeals for late bookings will not be considered.

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): you did not book an interview within the timeframe, or conflicting interview times

with other universities. Interviews in the September round are scheduled in Australian Central Standard time. Interviews in the December round are scheduled in Adelaide Daylight Savings time. It is important that applicants are aware of the time difference from their location. Arriving late due to time zone miscalculation is not grounds for reschedule or appeal.

A request to reschedule under medical or compassionate circumstances can be made via email (with supporting documentation) to the Admissions Operations Team for consideration within three days of the original interview. Please submit your request to uoaapplications@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.

Offers

Ranking for offers is based on a combination of scores from these three components:

- Honours/4th year grade (10%)
- Casper Situational Judgement Test (40%)
- Interview performance (50%)

Feedback on your performance and overall ranking will not be released by the University. Information regarding applicants and their applications is confidential and will not be released to an advocate of the applicant, whether family or friends. No appeals on behalf of an applicant will be considered.

Offers to successful domestic applicants will be made by SATAC. SATAC has a number of offer rounds in addition to the main round. The University of Adelaide reserves the right to make offers outside of the formal advertised SATAC offer rounds.

To secure your place in a Master of Psychology program, you must enrol in all first year courses by the deadline stated in your SATAC offer letter. Information regarding enrolment will be provided once SATAC offers are made.

There are two selection rounds—September and December. No more than 50% of places in a program will be offered in the September round.

Key dates

SATAC applications will close on 25 August 2023 (September round) and 8 November 2023 (December round).

Interview invitations and interviews will be provided from September and November 2023.

Offer rounds will commence from September 2023 and continue into January 2024.

Orientation will commence in January 2024.

Required Summer Semester intensive classes will commence in late January 2024. All students (including those studying part-time) must complete these classes, as they are required prerequisites for subsequent courses.

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Kaurna acknowledgement

We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Kaurna people, the original custodians of the Adelaide Plains and the land on which the University of Adelaide's campuses at North Terrace, Waite, and Roseworthy are built. We acknowledge the deep feelings of attachment and relationship of the Kaurna people to country and we respect and value their past, present and ongoing connection to the land and cultural beliefs. The University continues to develop respectful and reciprocal relationships with all Indigenous peoples in Australia, and with other Indigenous peoples throughout the world.