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# Counselling and Psychotherapy

2024 Admissions Guide



Learn to support others in exploring and overcoming emotional, mental and lifestyle issues. Counselling is a rewarding career choice for those who want to work with people, develop personal wisdom and transform lives.

### SATAC Code

3GC056 (Graduate Certificate)  
3GD072 (Graduate Diploma)  
3CM146 (Masters)

### CRICOS

072306G (Graduate Certificate)  
072305J (Graduate Diploma)  
091225G (Masters)

### Duration

6 months full-time (Graduate Certificate)  
12 months full-time (Graduate Diploma)  
(or part time equivalent)  
2 years full-time (Masters) (or part-time equivalent)

### Location

North Terrace Campus

### Intake

February 2024

### Mid-year entry

Not available

### Deferral

Yes

### Our nested program



### Accreditation

Our Graduate Diploma is accredited with the Australian Counselling Association, enabling you to become a member of this professional body upon completion of the program.

Our Masters program is accredited with both the Australian Counselling Association and the Psychotherapy and Counselling Federation of Australia, enabling you to become a member of both professional bodies upon completion of the program.

### Selection criteria

- Applicants to the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Masters must have completed a Bachelors Degree or equivalent (e.g. postgraduate study) plus performance in an interview.
- International applicants must also satisfy English Language Requirements for the course through any of the following listed below.

### English language requirements

#### Australian Year 12

Successful completion of an Australian year 12 qualification with a minimum pass in an accepted English language subject



[adelaide.edu.au/degree-finder](https://adelaide.edu.au/degree-finder)

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### English tests accepted by the University of Adelaide

	Overall	Reading	Listening	Speaking	Writing
IELTS	7	7	7	7	7
TOEFL	94	24	24	23	27
Pearsons	65	65	65	65	65
Cambridge	185	185	185	185	185

The University also accepts the Occupational English Test (OET) - a minimum result of B/score of 350 in each of the four components (listening, reading, writing and speaking). A range of alternative qualifications may meet the **University's minimum English requirements**.

## How to apply

Domestic applicants must apply via SATAC.

International applicants must apply via:

[international.adelaide.edu.au/admissions/how-to-apply/apply-now](https://international.adelaide.edu.au/admissions/how-to-apply/apply-now)

## All applicants must also:

- Provide a comprehensive resume/CV and transcript. Applications with no resume/CV and/or transcript upload will not progress to interview assessment.
- Attend an interview if eligible.

## General eligibility for placements

Students enrolled in the Masters Program who undertake clinical placements or research projects involving children or people who are ill, elderly, or vulnerable are required to demonstrate clearance by producing a criminal history check, obtained through a Department for Communities and Social Inclusion (DCSI). International students are required to obtain a certificate from their home country.

You will learn more about the requirements for Clinical Placement during Orientation. For more details, visit: [health.adelaide.edu.au/student-support/clinical-placements](https://health.adelaide.edu.au/student-support/clinical-placements)

## Quotas

Entry to this degree is competitive, and strict intake numbers apply. Offers will be made until quota has been filled.

## Interview

You will be assessed for eligibility for interview on the basis of your preferences at the closing date of applications. Changes to your preferences after this date will not be considered in assessing your eligibility for interview.

All interviews for the 2024 intake will be conducted via video conferencing only. These interviews will be conducted by Zoom. The interview will include a number of questions relevant to counselling practice, and typically takes 15 to 20 minutes.

You will need to ensure that you are alone in a private location, ensuring that you do not talk, listen to or otherwise communicate with another person during the course of the interviews, and ensuring that you do not take or access any form of notes (physical or electronic) 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 for ranking in consideration of offers.

All eligible applicants who meet the entry criteria at the time of application cut off date will be invited to interview. Invitations to attend an interview will be sent to the email address included in your application. Please ensure that you check your spam/junk filter regularly in the lead up to interview rounds.

If you are eligible for an interview, you will be able to select from a range of times within the defined interview period on a first come, first served basis. Whilst the booking system is open, you can cancel and reschedule your interview.

Once you book an interview you will be provided with further information and links to access your interview via Zoom.

We are unable to provide details on the content of interviews and any requests for such information will be declined.

Domestic applicants can access their interview outcomes via SATAC within seven days of their interview.



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.

**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.**

## Can interviews be rescheduled?

An interview will not be rescheduled for reasons such as (but not limited to): you did not check your eligibility or book an interview within the time frame, conflicting interviews times with other universities, logging in late, or missing the interview.

All interview bookings are scheduled in Adelaide time (September interviews in ACST, December interviews in ACDT).

It is important that applicants are aware of the time difference from their location. Logging in to the interview late due to time zone miscalculation is not grounds for reschedule or appeal [e.g. 12 pm ACDT (Adelaide) = 12.30 pm AEDT (Sydney, Melbourne)].

A request to reschedule under medical or compassionate circumstances only can be made via email to the Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences, with supporting documentation, for consideration within three business days of the original interview. Please submit your request to: [uoapplications@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:uoapplications@adelaide.edu.au). No requests on behalf of an applicant will be considered.

## Key dates

Domestic SATAC applications will close on 23 October 2023.

International applications will close on 14 August 2023.

Interviews for International applicants will be held in September 2023.

The main round of interviews for Domestic applicants will be held in December 2023.



## Further enquiries

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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.