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Group	Course	Offerings
<b>Graduate Coursework Degrees and Professional Doctorates</b>		
Psychology	Master of Applied Psychology + Doctor of Philosophy (MAppPsych+PhD)	• Murdoch campus (internal)
<b>Graduate Research Degrees</b>		
	Master of Applied Psychology + Doctor of Philosophy (MAppPsych+PhD)	• Murdoch campus (internal)

## PSYCHOLOGY

### MASTER OF APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY + DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (MAPPPSYCH+PHD)

#### Admission Requirements (Onshore):

Entry to the program is very competitive and to be accepted into the course applicants must have successfully completed a four year, or three year plus a fourth year, APAC-accredited sequence in psychology, within the last 10 years, with an upper second class Honours (2A) or equivalent overall mark. Applicants must be eligible for registration with the Psychology Board of Australia (AHPRA) as a provisional psychologist. An exception to this may be made for currently registered psychologists who can demonstrate current compliance with Registration Board CPD requirements.

Students with overseas qualifications who are accepted into the course must ensure that their undergraduate qualifications meet the requirements of the Psychology Board of Australia (AHPRA) for equivalence to a four-year APAC Accredited Australian degree in Psychology. All successful applicants must be registered from the start of their higher degree as a provisional psychologist.

The admission process includes both application and interview.

In order to gain admission to this program, students must satisfy the Psychology Board of Australia English requirements by demonstrating competency in the English Language. For more details on this, see <http://www.psychologyboard.gov.au/Registration/Overseas-Applicants.aspx>

Applicants must apply simultaneously for entry to both the MAppPsych and the PhD. Unsuccessful applicants for both courses may still be considered for entry to either course on its own. Candidates enrolled in the first year of the MAppPsych may apply for transfer into this course.

Psychology

Duration: 4 years full-time or part-time equivalent

#### Special Requirements:

Graduate students must be registered from the start of their higher degree as a provisional psychologist with the Psychology Board of Australia within the first two weeks of commencing the program. As many agencies require all staff working with their clients to have police clearance, applicants are required to obtain a Federal police clearance (which will include WA clearance). In addition, if working with children, a separate screening by the Department of Community Development is required. Any agency will only be seeking information about behaviours that may place vulnerable clients at risk. The applicant meets the cost of these clearances. Please note that some organisations providing professional placements may require students to provide full immunisation records. Applicants must be in a position to provide these records if required.

This combined course is offered to students wishing to combine professional training at Master's level in Clinical or Organisational Psychology with compatible research at the PhD level. It combines a thorough professional training in the chosen area of specialisation with the high level of research training associated with doctoral-level studies.

The course allows students to fulfil the requirements of both the relevant Masters degree and the PhD. Students who have a strong academic record demonstrating particular strength in their area of research may be considered for entry.

Candidates will normally complete the full first year of the Masters course before going on to enrol in the PhD for the second, third

and fourth years. Students are exempted from the Masters thesis requirement and normally complete a 12-point external placement unit concurrently with the PhD commitment. Whilst candidates are advised to complete the first year of the Masters course in advance of beginning the PhD, it is possible to begin with the latter.

There are two Masters courses available: in Clinical Psychology and in Organisational Psychology. Coursework is selected and placements organised according to the area of specialisation. The topic of the PhD must relate to the area of specialisation.

This professionally accredited course adheres to a scientist-practitioner model which stresses a systematic problem-solving approach. Its objective is to prepare psychologists who are skilled in individual casework and can apply their skills and knowledge to prevention, research, development, and evaluation at the individual, organisational and system levels. It is a professional qualification in Applied Psychology leading to employment in the health, educational, occupational, ergonomic and community areas, which meets international standards. The course also develops students to be expert researchers in their chosen area of specialisation.

This course requires students to undertake work-based training through a compulsory work-based placement as part of their studies.

Course Codes: D1067 M1156 M1157

#### Employment Prospects:

On graduation from this course, students will be highly employable in a wide variety of areas, including private practice as a registered psychologist, and working in various public and private sector agencies in areas such as health, community development, justice, education, and disabilities.

Master of Applied Psychology (MAppPsych) + Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

#### Other Facilities and Services:

Murdoch University has both a specialist child Psychology Clinic and an adult Psychology Clinic and the Organisational Psychology Consulting Service to act as practical training facilities and community services.

Restriction: All graduate courses are subject to restriction.

#### Additional Progress Rules:

A student who fails more than one unit, or one unit more than once, shall be excluded from the course

#### Availability:

- Murdoch campus (internal)

### Clinical Psychology

#### Course Structure - 96 credit points

##### First Year - 24 credit points

##### Core Units - 24 credit points

PSY662 Psychological Assessment: Theory and Method - 3 points  
MURDOCH: Y-internal

PSY664 Clinical Psychology: Working with Children and Families - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S1-internal

PSY565 Clinical Psychology: Working with Adults - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S1-internal

PSY502 Clinical Psychology: Working with Health Problems - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S2-internal

PSY567 Clinical Psychology: Neurodevelopmental & Neuropsychological Disorders Across the Lifespan - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S2-internal

PSY669 Psychotherapy in Practice - 3 points  
MURDOCH: Y-internal

PSY537 Clinical Psychology: Internal Practicum (Child, Youth and Family) - 3 points  
MURDOCH: H-placement, SUM-placement, Y-placement

PSY538 Clinical Psychology: Internal Practicum (Adult) - 3 points  
MURDOCH: H-placement, SUM-placement, Y-placement

## Second, Third and Fourth Years

Students are required to enrol concurrently in PSY755 Psychology: Advanced Research Methods with their first enrolment in PSY920 Research Studies -- Psychology.

PSY920 Research Studies -- Psychology

PSY755 Psychology: Advanced Research Methods - 0 points  
MURDOCH: Y-internal

PSY604 Clinical Psychology: External Practicum - 12 points  
MURDOCH: S1-placement, S2-placement, SUM-placement, Y-placement

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## Organisational Psychology

### Course Structure - 96 credit points

#### First Year - 24 credit points

##### Core Units - 21 credit points

PSY563 Professional Practice and Organisational Consulting - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S1-internal

PSY565 Clinical Psychology: Working with Adults - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S1-internal

PSY568 Human Resources - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S1-external

PSY662 Psychological Assessment: Theory and Method - 3 points  
MURDOCH: Y-internal

PSY552 Organisation of Work - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S2-external

PSY570 Organisational Psychology: Practicum I - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S2-internal

PSY612 Work and Well-being - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S2-internal, S2-external

##### Specified Electives - 3 credit points

Select from the following:

MBS539 Accounting for Managers - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S1-internal, S1-external, S2-internal, S2-external, SUM-internal, SUM-external

MBS537 Strategic Marketing Management - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S1-internal, S1-external, S2-internal, S2-external

MBS546 Business Finance - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S1-internal, S1-external, S2-internal, S2-external, SUM-internal, SUM-external

EDN546 Dynamics of Cultural Diversity in the Workplace and the Community - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S2-internal, S2-external

## Second, Third and Fourth Years

Students must enrol in PSY755 Psychology: Advanced Research Methods concurrently with their first enrolment in PSY920 Research Studies -- Psychology.

PSY920 Research Studies -- Psychology

PSY755 Psychology: Advanced Research Methods - 0 points  
MURDOCH: Y-internal

PSY603 Organisational Psychology: Practicum II - 12 points  
MURDOCH: S1-placement, S2-placement, SUM-placement, Y-placement

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## PREREQUISITES

### **Accounting for Managers (MBS539)**

Enrolment in a graduate-level course.

### **Business Finance (MBS546)**

Enrolment in a graduate-level course.

### **Clinical Psychology: External Practicum (PSY604)**

Enrolment in MAppPsych (Clinical) or MAppPsych (Clinical)/PhD; successful completion of PSY537 Clinical Psychology: Internal Practicum (Child, Youth and Family) or equivalent AND PSY538 Clinical Psychology Internal Practicum (Adult) or equivalent; Provisional or General Registration as a Psychologist with Psychology Board of Australia. Working with Children Check; Police check

### **Clinical Psychology: Internal Practicum (Adult) (PSY538)**

Enrolment in MAppPsych (Clinical), DPpsych (Clinical) or MAppPsych (Clinical)/PhD; concurrent enrolment in or successful completion of PSY669 Psychotherapy in Practice; and concurrent enrolment with, or successful completion of, PSY565 Clinical Psychology: Working with Adults, and PSY662 Psychological Assessment: Theory and Method; Provisional Registration as a Psychologist with Psychology Board of Australia; Police Check and Working with children check.

### **Clinical Psychology: Internal Practicum (Child, Youth and Family) (PSY537)**

Enrolment in MAppPsych (Clinical), DPpsych (Clinical) or MAppPsych (Clinical)/PhD; concurrent enrolment in or successful completion of PSY669 Psychotherapy in Practice; and concurrent enrolment with, or successful completion of, PSY664 Clinical Psychology: Working with Children and Families and PSY662 Psychological Assessment: Theory and Method; Provisional Registration as a Psychologist with Psychology Board of Australia; Police Check and Working with Children Check.

### **Clinical Psychology: Neurodevelopmental & Neuropsychological Disorders Across the Lifespan (PSY567)**

Enrolment in MAppPsych (Clinical), DPpsych (Clinical) or MAppPsych (Clinical)/PhD

### **Clinical Psychology: Working with Adults (PSY565)**

Enrolment in MAppPsych, DPpsych or MAppPsych/PhD.

### **Clinical Psychology: Working with Children and Families (PSY664)**

Enrolment in MAppPsych (Professional), MAppPsych (Clinical), DPpsych (Clinical) or MAppPsych (Clinical)/PhD.

### **Clinical Psychology: Working with Health Problems (PSY502)**

Enrolment in MAppPsych, DPpsych or MAppPsych/PhD.

### **Dynamics of Cultural Diversity in the Workplace and the Community (EDN546)**

Enrolment in a Graduate qualification or permission of the Unit Coordinator

### **Human Resources (PSY568)**

Enrolment in Pg or GradCertOHRs or Pg or GradDipConsultPsych or MAppPsych or MAppPsych/PhD or DPpsych or, for other Masters students, permission of the Unit Coordinator.

### **Organisation of Work (PSY552)**

Enrolment in C1114, G1057, M1157 or D1063.

### **Organisational Psychology: Practicum I (PSY570)**

Enrolment in MAppPsych, DPpsych or MAppPsych/PhD; OR Enrolment in Postgraduate/Graduate Diploma in Consultancy Psychology where candidate holds a four-year Psychology qualification or equivalent; Provisional Registration as a Psychologist with Psychology Board of Australia.

**Organisational Psychology: Practicum II (PSY603)**

Enrolment in MAppPsych (Organisational only) or MAppPsych (Organisational)/PhD; Provisional Registration as a Psychologist with Psychology Board of Australia. Completion of the 1st year of the MAppPsych (Organisational) unless approved by the Unit Coordinator and Academic Chair.

**Professional Practice and Organisational Consulting (PSY563)**

Enrolment in C1114, G1057, M1157 or D1063

**Psychological Assessment: Theory and Method (PSY662)**

MAppPsych (Professional), MAppPsych, DPsych or MAppPsych/PhD; Enrolment in Pg or GradDipConsultPsych where candidate holds a four-year Psychology qualification or equivalent.

**Psychology: Advanced Research Methods (PSY755)**

Doctor of Psychology in Clinical Psychology, or Doctor of Psychology in Organisational Psychology.

**Psychotherapy in Practice (PSY669)**

Enrolment in MAppPsych (Professional), MAppPsych (Clinical), DPsych (Clinical) or MAppPsych (Clinical)/PhD. Co-requisite: PSY537 Clinical Psychology: Internal Practicum (Child, Youth and Family) and/or PSY538 Clinical Psychology: Internal Practicum (Adult).

**Research Studies -- Psychology (PSY920)**

Nil.

**Strategic Marketing Management (MBS537)**

Enrolment in a graduate-level course.

**Work and Well-being (PSY612)**

Enrolment in C1114, G1057, M1157, M1238 or D1063