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Group	Course	Offerings
Graduate Coursework Degrees and Professional Doctorates		
Psychology	Master of Applied Psychology (Organisational Psychology) (MAppPsych)	• Not currently available to new admissions

PSYCHOLOGY

MASTER OF APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY (ORGANISATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY) (MAPPPSYCH)

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.

The course consists of two years of full-time study or may be undertaken on a part-time basis over not more than eight years. The course includes coursework, practicum, and research components. Candidates will cover core and optional aspects in their course, which will qualify them as organisational psychologists at Master's degree level.

Candidates undertake at least three approved placements. The University cooperates with the Commonwealth and State Public Services, such as the Department of Health, Department of Consumer and Employment Protection, Department for Community Development, Department of Justice, Education Department of Western Australia, Disability Services Commission, WA Police Service and other public and private services and facilities in Western Australia. Experience in other community psychological areas such as rehabilitation and social service is also available. This course requires students to undertake work-based training through a compulsory work-based placement as part of their studies.

Admission Requirements (Onshore):

No intake for 2019.□

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Duration: 2 years full-time or part-time equivalent

Additional Progress Rules:

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

Employment Prospects:

Job prospects for applied organisational psychologists are very good; and employment growth is expected to reflect the strength of the economy. On graduation from this course, students will be highly employable as a registered psychologist working in various public agencies and across a wide variety of private sectors.

Admission:

Successful applicants who have completed the Master of Applied Psychology (Professional) course at Murdoch University may apply to the Academic Chair to have some of their coursework and practicum units credited toward the first year of study for the MAppPsych (Organisational) course.

Students who complete the first year of the Master of Applied Psychology may apply to transfer to the Doctor of Psychology and

will be exempt from the units already completed which are common to both degrees. During their first year of study, students may also apply for enrolment in a PhD and if accepted may enter the combined MAppPsych/PhD course.

Master of Applied Psychology (MAppPsych)

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.

Availability:

- Not currently available to new admissions

Psychology

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.

Course Structure - 48 credit points

University regulations require completion of a minimum of 24 points at 600-level and a maximum of 24 points at 500-level for a 48-point Masters by Coursework degree.

Candidates must normally successfully complete the following units to meet Registration and Specialist Entitlement requirements for Organisational Psychologists.

Year 1 - 24 credit points

Core Units - 21 credit points

- PSY563 Professional Practice and Organisational Consulting - 3 points
- PSY565 Clinical Psychology: Working with Adults - 3 points
- PSY568 Human Resources - 3 points
- PSY662 Psychological Assessment: Theory and Method - 3 points
- PSY552 Organisation of Work - 3 points
- PSY570 Organisational Psychology: Practicum I - 3 points
- PSY612 Work and Well-being - 3 points

Specified Electives - 3 credit points

Select from the following:

- MBS539 Accounting for Managers - 3 points
- MBS537 Strategic Marketing Management - 3 points
- MBS546 Business Finance - 3 points
- EDN546 Dynamics of Cultural Diversity in the Workplace and the Community - 3 points
- An Independent Study Contract at 500/600 level - 3 points
- Other electives with the permission of the Academic Chair.

Year 2 - 24 credit points

Core Units - 24 credit points

PSY655 Psychology: Advanced Research Methods - 2 points

PSY690 Applied Psychology Dissertation - 10 points

PSY603 Organisational Psychology: Practicum II - 12 points

PREREQUISITES**Accounting for Managers (MBS539)**

Enrolment in a graduate-level course.

Applied Psychology Dissertation (PSY690)

Enrolment in MAppPsych (Clinical or Organisational); completion of, or concurrent enrolment in, PSY655 Psychology: Advanced Research Methods.

Business Finance (MBS546)

Enrolment in a graduate-level course.

Clinical Psychology: Working with Adults (PSY565)

Enrolment in MAppPsych, DPsych 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 DPsych 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, DPsych 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 (PSY655)

Enrolment in Master of Applied Psychology in Clinical Psychology, or Master of Applied Psychology in Organisational Psychology.

Strategic Marketing Management (MBS537)

Enrolment in a graduate-level course.

Work and Well-being (PSY612)

Enrolment in C1114, G1057, M1157, M1238 or D1063