POSTGRADUATE COURSEWORK
PSYCHOLOGY, MEDICAL PHYSICS AND NUTRITION

FACULTY OF SCIENCE
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Make your mark in the important health-related fields of psychology, nutrition and dietetics, and medical physics.

Psychology is arguably one of the fastest developing and most exciting sciences of our time. The scientific study of human behaviour and mental processes, psychology investigates how we behave in groups as well as individually, how we act as well as what we think, and how we interact with our physical environment as well as with each other. The outcomes of these investigations are applied to such diverse professional settings as the treatment of mental illness, job selection, health promotion and education policy.

The study of nutrition and dietetics covers all aspects of human nutrition, including food science, nutrition science, dietary assessment, medical nutrition, public health, community nutrition and food service management. Such knowledge is applied to the prevention and management of today’s chronic lifestyle-related diseases.

Medical physics is the specialist application within a medical setting of radiation physics, dosimetry, imaging and radiobiology, and radiation detection and protection – crucial skills in the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other diseases.

The University of Sydney ranks among the top 40 universities in the world in the current QS World University Rankings. In terms of scientific research and output it ranks first in Australia in the current international SCImago Institutions Rankings.

Our reputation for scientific excellence attracts world-leading researchers, competitive research funding and prestigious international prizes. The University is home to numerous centres of excellence and multidisciplinary research hubs that are globally recognised as leaders in their field.

The University of Sydney attracts some of the most talented students in Australia and the world to its exciting and stimulating student-centred teaching and learning environment. We provide the highest-quality teaching in order to foster intellectual freedom, academic integrity and ethical professional practice.

As a student of the natural sciences you will have access to the latest research facilities and specialist equipment across several campuses and dedicated research centres – all located in one of the world’s most liveable cities.

Leadership Focus

Many of our graduates have gone on to become inspirational world leaders in their fields, making real differences to people’s lives in Australia and across the globe. Our alumni have changed the face of global science and continue to inform national and worldwide science and health agendas.

Strong Student Support

The range of student support programs and services offered at the University of Sydney are designed to add real value to your studies and to your ongoing career options. They include specialist postgraduate study skills workshops, professional development activities, industry networking events, careers support, accommodation information, financial assistance and disability services.

Rich Student Life

With hundreds of clubs and societies, cafes, bars, live music, theatre productions, sporting clubs and facilities and Australia’s longest-running student newspaper, you will be a part of Australia’s most vibrant and active student community.
The MCP and PhD provides psychology graduates with international standards of professional psychology.

OVERVIEW

Postgraduate options in clinical psychology include the standalone Master of Clinical Psychology (MCP) coursework program; and the combined degree Master of Clinical Psychology and Doctor of Philosophy (MCP and PhD), which incorporates both coursework and research.

Both programs adopt a scientific and evidence-based approach necessary for the practice of professional clinical psychology. The treatment model is based on a cognitive-behavioural approach, with the introduction of alternative models of therapy in second year ensuring both depth and breadth of clinical training.

Both programs include a minimum of 1200 hours of clinical experience. Qualified clinical psychologists provide supervised clinical practice in an on-campus psychology clinic as well as at a range of external teaching hospitals and clinics.

The MCP and PhD provides psychology graduates with both clinical and doctorate-level research training consistent with international standards of professional psychology. It comprises academic coursework, supervised clinical placements and research.

MCP and PhD involves four-and-a-half years of full-time study and includes three components: academic coursework, supervised clinical placements and research. The research component in the MCP and PhD requires you to produce a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) research thesis. These programs are not available by distance education.

ANNUAL INTAKE

As an indication of interest in these types of programs, each year more than 150 applications are received and 50 applicants offered interviews. Approximately 20 applicants are accepted annually into the MCP and PhD program.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

To apply you need to have completed an Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC) accredited four-year bachelor’s degree with honours (or equivalent) from a university, with a recognised major in psychology, gaining at least upper second class honours for the MCP or first class honours for the MCP and PhD. The honours (2.1) component must have included a major research project and thesis as an essential part of the degree.

If you have a degree from a non-Australian university, you need to have your qualifications assessed as equivalent by the Australian Psychological Society (APS) before submitting your application (see www.psychology.org.au). If your qualification was obtained from a non-Australian university you need to provide evidence of an individual (or group) conducted research project and thesis. Please provide the degree name, thesis title and thesis abstract, including information on methods used and whether the project was theoretical or conducted with methods consistent with an Australian fourth-year honours degree. You need to also provide evidence of English language proficiency and two referee reports.

If you would like to apply to the MCP and PhD program, you need to also meet the admission requirements of a research degree in the School of Psychology (see sydney.edu.au/science/psychology/future_students/msc_phd).

SELECTION INTERVIEW

If you meet these requirements, you will be considered for a selection interview – an essential part of the selection process. The interview specifically assesses your relevant academic, research and clinical work experience, performance, aptitude for clinical psychology and awareness of relevant ethical issues. Interviews are usually held in the last week of November. Web-based interviews may be offered to international applicants.

CLINICAL RELEVANCE

The selection process aims to identify that you have a demonstrated interest in clinical or abnormal psychology, an awareness of clinical issues, and relevant experience. You are not required to have completed an empirical research project in the area of clinical or abnormal psychology. Clinical relevance may be demonstrated on the basis of projects in other areas of psychology, such as cognitive psychology, developmental psychology, individual differences, human learning, neuroscience or social psychology, or relevant work experience.

RECOGNITION FOR PRIOR LEARNING

Recognition for prior learning is available under some circumstances.

ACCREDITATION/REGISTRATION

Both programs are accredited by APAC and are approved qualifications for Associate Membership of the Australian Clinical Psychology Association (ACPA) and the APS College of Clinical Psychologists. The Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency’s (AHPRA) Psychology Board of Australia (PPBA) also recognises the programs for the purposes of registration and for endorsement of practice in clinical psychology. Graduates are recognised by NSW Health as qualifying for progression to the grade of clinical psychologist.

OVERVIEW

These programs provide you with the highly developed academic knowledge base and strong practical clinical skills necessary for the practice of professional clinical psychology in a variety of clinical and community settings.

HOW TO APPLY

Domestic and international students apply online at sydney.edu.au/courses

Your online application needs to include:
- supporting documentation
- an MCP and PhD Supplementary form
- referee report (academic)
- referee report (work experience)

Your application will be considered incomplete, and will not be evaluated or proceed to interview, unless all documents are received by the closing date. Late applications are not accepted.

Note that this course has early application deadlines. See online for details.

OFFER OF PLACES

Following the selection interview, you will be ranked compared to other applicants upon your application, academic record and interview performance.

The top-ranking applicants will be informed of a provisional offer during December, which will become a formal offer when the applicant has met the admission criteria for a research degree (PhD or MSc) through the School of Psychology (sydney.edu.au/science/psychology/future_students/msc_phd/pg_application.shtml).

We will initially make offers of places informally by phone, followed by a formal letter of offer sent to your online application portal. You will have up to one week to accept the offer. Should an offer be declined, the place will be offered to the next applicant on the reserve list. Offers to applicants on the reserve list may continue into January.

Unsuccessful applicants will be notified through their online application portal from late December onwards.

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AMANDA GREEN
Clinical Psychologist
Northern Beaches Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service

Amanda Green’s expertise in clinical psychology has helped hundreds of people to find the support and solutions they needed, when they needed them most. Amanda graduated from the University of Sydney with a Bachelor of Psychology in 2007, then went on to study activity-based anorexia in rats for her honours thesis. She continued her studies with a Doctor of Clinical Psychology/Master of Science degree, during which she completed internships that gave her invaluable understanding and experience of effective therapy techniques for survivors of sexual, physical and verbal abuse as well as substance dependence. Amanda’s studies at the University of Sydney provided her with ample opportunity to develop her practical skills in delivering evidence-based clinical psychological therapy to adults, adolescents, children and families. She describes this as crucial in preparing her to work with children and adolescents with complex psychological difficulties such as anxiety, depression, self-harm, suicidal ideation and eating disorders.

Currently working as a clinical psychologist with the Northern Beaches Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service, Amanda’s long-term goal is to connect with communities in rural areas where mental health issues sometimes remain unaddressed and even stigmatised. Hear Amanda speak about how she got her current job and where her career has taken her at sydney.edu.au/science/career/videos

COACHING PSYCHOLOGY

Coaching psychology is a relatively new and fast-growing approach to enhancing the performance, productivity and quality of life of individuals, organisations and the broader community. The program is an applied positive psychology course that sits at the intersection of counselling, clinical and organisational psychology.

There are currently very few universities worldwide that offer postgraduate qualifications in coaching psychology, and the University of Sydney is recognised as a world leader in the development of both coaching theory and its applications.

OVERVIEW

The Master of Science in Coaching Psychology focuses on the applied science of human performance enhancement and coaching in business and organisational settings, providing a solid grounding in theory and methodology as well as fundamental applied skills. The program prepares you to be a skilled professional capable of coaching in an extensive variety of settings and with a wide range of clients, including executive, management and personal coaching. It is taught by practising coaching psychologists and training and management consultants, all of whom have extensive experience in their specialised fields and many of whom have international reputations.

MODES OF DELIVERY

The Master of Coaching Psychology involves two semesters of full-time study, or the part-time equivalent. Full-time study of the graduate certificate or graduate diploma is not available. Full-time study of the master’s program is not recommended for domestic students.

These programs are offered in face-to-face mode at the Camperdown Campus, typically between 4pm and 9pm. Units of study are primarily semester long, although some units are offered in intensive block mode. Some block units are taught outside of the normal semester sessions, and you should check the timetable which is posted on the Coaching Psychology Unit website (sydney.edu.au/science/psychology/future_students/coach/index.shtml). All classes are highly interactive. A high level of spoken English (IELTS 7.5) is required.

ANNUAL INTAKE

Entry to these programs is competitive, with only between 25 and 60 places available annually.
OVERVIEW
The Graduate Diploma in Psychology (GDP) enables graduates from other disciplines to complete a major in psychology and provides a means of accessing postgraduate study in psychology. It includes units of study that are identical to the second- and third-year psychology units necessary for a psychology major in an undergraduate degree.

MODES OF DELIVERY
The Graduate Diploma in Psychology involves one-and-a-half years of combined full-time and part-time study, or part-time equivalent. Most classes are held during the day, finishing no later than 7pm. You will usually have a choice of times. However, while some classes are available in the late afternoon or early evening, class attendance earlier in the day is necessary.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
To apply you need either a three-year psychology degree or a three-year degree in a cognate discipline with a major in an area such as arts, humanities, business, law or science, and at least two years’ relevant employment experience.

Your application needs to include a formal cover letter outlining your previous coaching experience, interest in the program and goals on graduation.

Our applicants are typically mid-career professionals with some previous coaching training and experience. Some are professional coaches seeking to extend their practice. Others are managers or human resource and organisational development professionals who have used coaching skills in the workplace, undertaken ‘manager as coach’ training and leadership development programs, or been involved in organising or delivering coaching in the workplace.

For international students, an IELTS score of 7.5 is required.

ACCREDITATION/RECOGNITION
While there is no generally recognised professional qualification for coaches, the program is consistent with the International Coach Federation (ICF) core competencies. Hence, successful completion of the program may contribute towards accreditation on the ICF’s portfolio track.

If you already have a four-year degree in psychology, you may be able to use this program as part of the requirements for registration as a psychologist via the supervision track.

AFTER GRADUATION
Graduates of this program can expect to gain employment in a range of fields involving human resource development, private practice, organisational consultancy and professional services.

HOW TO APPLY
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This program does not qualify as an alternative fourth year for registration as a clinical psychologist, nor as an accredited honours-equivalent degree in psychology for the purposes of registration or membership of the Australian Psychological Society.

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study at an international university may also be recognised. This requires a separate application for credit through the Faculty of Science.

ACCREDITATION/RECOGNITION
The GDP meets the accreditation requirements of the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council for an undergraduate sequence in psychology, and may lead to a fourth year of study (honours or honours equivalent) in psychology.

AFTER GRADUATION
Graduates of the GDP may apply to undertake a fourth-year of psychology by completing an honours year, followed by the Master of Clinical Psychology or the combined degree Master of Clinical Psychology/Doctor of Philosophy.

Other opportunities in psychology include completion of a PhD by research or completion of other postgraduate courses, such as in coaching psychology.

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The Master of Nutrition and Dietetics equips you with the skills for a career as a nutritionist or dietitian in clinical or public health, hospitals or private practice, or community health research.

The University of Sydney is a recognised leader in nutrition and dietetics education, having offered its first postgraduate course in 1967. It draws on the expertise of leading researchers and clinicians in nutrition science, public health, medicine and dietetics, who translate the latest research into evidence-based practice.

OVERVIEW
The Master of Nutrition and Dietetics provides professional education for dietitians and nutritionists, building on major concepts from the study of human biochemistry and physiology to discuss the roles of nutrients, nutritional contents of food and diet in health and disease. It ensures that graduates reach dietetics competence in public health, medical nutrition therapy, food service management, communication, management, and research and evaluation.

MODES OF DELIVERY
The Master of Nutrition and Dietetics involves two years of full-time study. It is not available in part-time or distance mode.

The first year involves an average of 20 hours per week of scheduled class time. The second year of the course includes a 20-week professional placement that usually begins in late January or early July. Placements are coordinated and supervised by the University and take place in hospitals, community health organisations and other food service facilities.

The program also includes a full semester of supervised research training.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
To apply you need:
- a bachelor’s degree in science (or equivalent) from a recognised tertiary institution, with a minimum credit average
- successful completion of two semesters of first-year chemistry
- successful completion of at least two semesters of second- or third-year equivalent biochemistry and/or molecular biology
- successful completion of at least two semesters of second- or third-year equivalent human physiology.

If you have not already completed these units of study you may complete them as non-degree units during either regular semester or Summer School, before your application. This requires a separate application.

ACCREDITATION
The Master of Nutrition and Dietetics is accredited by the Dietitians Association of Australia (DAA).

AFTER GRADUATION
Our graduates can be found in almost all areas of nutrition and dietetic practice, including large and small hospitals, private practice, community health, non-government organisations such as Cancer Council Australia, government agencies such as Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ), the professional body Dietitians Association of Australia, the food industry, academia and research.

HOW TO APPLY
Apply online at sydney.edu.au/courses
Please note that this course has an early closing date for both domestic and international applications. Please refer to the website for up-to-date deadlines.

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“I completed a Bachelor of Science (Honours) degree with a major in psychology, then later completed a Master of Nutrition and Dietetics, all at the University of Sydney. When I studied dietetic treatment of eating disorders I realised I’d found the perfect hybrid of psychology and dietetics.”

CLARE MARNANE CLINICAL DIETITIAN EATING DISORDERS UNIT, WESLEY HOSPITAL

MEDICAL PHYSICS

Studying medical physics provides you with the latest knowledge and techniques to apply in the fields of medical imaging, physiological monitoring, medical electronics and the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other diseases.

The University of Sydney medical physics program is offered through the School of Physics, which has world-class teaching and research facilities and provides highly experienced staff through the Institute of Medical Physics and affiliated teaching hospitals and research institutes.

OVERVIEW

The Master of Medical Physics is the entry-level qualification that medical physicists require as clinical physical scientists. It is designed to meet the growing global demand for graduate physical scientists with the specialised knowledge, skills and expertise to work within a clinical setting in the highly scientific and technical environment of medical physics.

It offers you a wide variety of coursework units of study in radiation physics, nuclear physics, radiation dosimetry, anatomy and biology, nuclear medicine, radiotherapy physics, medical imaging physics, image processing, radiation biology, health physics and research methodology.

MODES OF DELIVERY

The Master of Medical Physics involves three semesters of full-time study.

The Graduate Diploma in Medical Physics involves two semesters of full-time study.

The program consists of eight coursework units of study (which by themselves constitute the graduate diploma) and a research project (for the master’s program only), which is usually undertaken in a hospital. Classes and some practical sessions are taught during the day, with some laboratory work undertaken in the evenings at our teaching hospitals.

ANNUAL INTAKE

Twelve places are offered each year.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

To apply you need a bachelor’s degree in science or engineering, with a major in physics and a minimum grade point average of 65 percent.

ACCREDITATION

The Master of Medical Physics is accredited by the Australasian College of Physical Scientists and Engineers in Medicine.

AFTER GRADUATION

The Master of Medical Physics provides the entry-level qualification required for medical physicists to work in a hospital medical physics department. Graduates are eligible to apply for trainee medical physicist positions in hospitals in Australia and New Zealand.

Medical physicists working in hospitals often undertake higher degree by research studies through a PhD program.

HOW TO APPLY

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APPLICATION DEADLINES
For Semester One
31 January
For Semester Two
30 June
We strongly encourage international applicants to apply as early as possible to allow time for visa and travel arrangements.

EXCEPTIONS*
Clinical Psychology (MCP, MCP and PhD)
Domestic applicants:
For Semester One: 31 October, the year prior.
including referee reports)
International applicants:
For Semester One: 1 October, the year prior.
Referee reports)
Coaching Psychology
All applicants:
For Semester One: 30 November, the year prior.
For Semester Two: 31 May
Master of Nutrition and Dietetics
All applicants:
For Semester One: 17 October, the year prior.
* Correct at time of printing, please refer to website for most up-to-date deadlines.

STEP 1
Select the course you want to study
sydney.edu.au/courses
See this guide and the Faculty of Science website for course details. Make a note of the full course title, course code and CRICOS code.
You may apply for up to three courses, in order of preference. If you are not accepted for your first choice, you will automatically be considered for your other choices.

STEP 2
Check the entry requirements for your chosen course(s) at sydney.edu.au/courses
More information
sydney.edu.au/future-students/domestic/postgraduate/courseswork/apply-enrol
International applicants
sydney.edu.au/future-students/international_postgraduate_courseswork/admissions

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?
When we receive your application we will assess it. This usually takes four to six weeks, but may vary depending on the course chosen.
You will be considered for admission if you meet the University’s minimum eligibility criteria. Offers of a place also depend on the number of places available and the competitiveness of eligible applicants.
The University will communicate with you or your agent regarding your application by email, including offers and requests for further information.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS
Clinical Psychology** IELTS 7.0 (7.0)
Coaching Psychology IELTS 7.5 (6.0)
Master of Nutrition and Dietetics** IELTS 7.5 (6.5)
**No other test will be accepted.

STEP 3
Submit your application.
Apply directly to the University
Domestic and international applicants may apply directly to the University at sydney.edu.au/courses
Apply through a University representative
International applicants may choose to apply through a University representative. We have representatives in more than 50 countries who offer assistance with all aspects of the application procedure. To find a representative near you, see sydney.edu.au/internationaloffice/agents

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<td>A bachelor’s degree in Science or Engineering, with a major in physics and with a minimum grade point average of 65 percent.</td>
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<td>48 credit points (consisting of eight units of study).</td>
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<td>Domestic fee: $12,250 per semester</td>
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<td>IELTS 7.5 (6.5) No other test will be accepted.</td>
<td>96 credit points (consisting of 48 credit points of first year units of study; 24 credit points being the dietetics training placement; and 24 credit points being the Nutrition Research Project).</td>
<td>CRICOS 058414B</td>
<td>Domestic fee: $10,000 per semester</td>
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Full-time study requires enrolment in 24 credit points of study per semester.
All fees stated in this booklet are in Australian dollars.
All fees stated in this booklet for both domestic and international applicants are subject to change.
All fees stated in this booklet do not include additional program costs such as textbooks or additional equipment.
The University's tuition fees are reviewed annually and may be varied during the period of study. The exact tuition fees for your program may also depend on the specific units of study in which you enrol.
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