Postgraduate Admissions Statement for
PG Diploma Clinical Neuropsychology

Awards available; PG Diploma (Postgraduate Diploma)

This Admissions Statement applies to applications submitted for entry to the programme between 1 October 2019 and 30 September 2020.
It should be read in association with the University Admissions Principles and Procedures for Postgraduate programmes and the relevant prospectus entry for this programme.

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Application deadline

Application deadlines can be found on the individual programme page within the University course finder

Admissions criteria

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<th>Academic requirements</th>
<th>Applicants must hold a minimum of a clinical doctorate (DClinPsy) plus an undergraduate degree or equivalent qualification in psychology or similar. You must also be registered as a clinical psychologist with the Health and Care Professions Council. Candidates holding an international equivalent to a DClinPsy that is recognised by the British Psychological Society are also eligible.</th>
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Application process

Online application form
Applicants should complete the online application form, uploading all required documents directly. Further information is available on our guidance for online applications page.

Applications will not be considered until all required documents have been uploaded. If you have already submitted an application, you can upload additional documents into the ‘Post-submission uploads’ section of the application form. Paper documents received by post, or electronic documents received by email, are only considered in exceptional circumstances.

Required and optional documents

✓ Two references (at least one clinical reference and, if possible, one academic reference)

References should be submitted electronically by the referee, using the online reference form. Alternatively, scanned copies of the original reference document(s) can be uploaded by the applicant.

If you graduated more than five years ago, or if professional experience is relevant to the application, professional references will be accepted in lieu of academic references. At least one referee should be familiar with the applicant’s academic work.

References supplied with a personal contact email address will be accepted in exceptional circumstances, which must be explained within the reference.

All references must be written, signed and dated on official letter headed paper from the referee’s organisation. They must include the referee’s full contact details, i.e. postal address, telephone number and organisation email address and must be dated within the last two years. A reference template is available to show the required format.

✓ DClinPsy certificate

We require scans of original documents and certified translations of documents issued in any language other than English.

✓ Personal statement:

Personal statements should highlight the motivation for applying for the course, and any relevant experience and/or skills.

✓ English language certificates/other evidence

All applicants are required to have reached the required profile level of English language as specified by the University’s English Language Requirements Policy.

✓ Curriculum Vitae (CV)

CVs might include details of other relevant work experience and qualifications to support an application.

Optional Documents

Degree certificate(s)
From first and subsequent degrees. We require colour scans of original documents and certified translations of documents issued in any language other than English.

Academic transcripts
From first and subsequent degrees. We require colour scans of original documents and certified translations of documents issued in any language other than English.

Transcripts must list all subjects taken and grades achieved to date, with the grade scale clearly displayed in the transcript.
Applicants must clearly state their current average grade in the online application form.

## Selection process

### Assessment of applications

All applicants are considered in line with the University’s [Admissions Principles and Procedures Policy](#) and [Equality, Diversity and Inclusion policy](#). Once a complete application has been submitted with all required supporting documents, it is considered by at least two members of staff using the following criteria:

- Academic achievement
- English language proficiency (where applicable)
- Academic references
- Personal statement
- Interview performance (where interviews are held)

Your performance in your first degree is generally the most important criterion, along with referees’ statements regarding your potential to do well and develop as a scientist. Where an applicant has undertaken a transnational education partnership programme or top-up degree, meeting the minimum academic entry criteria will not automatically mean an applicant will receive an offer. For these applicants, admissions decisions will consider the academic history of the applicant alongside relevance of degree, and, if required, degree content, and performance in key modules. Each applicant is considered both holistically on their own merit and in competition with the rest of the applicant cohort during the academic cycle.

### Interviews

Candidates may be invited for interview, and to visit the school and meet the supervisors. The purpose of the interview is to assess whether the applicant currently has the necessary skills and capabilities to pursue the chosen postgraduate programme, and whether the programme is appropriate to the applicant’s interests and aspirations. If required, interviewees based overseas will normally be interviewed by telephone or Skype. All interviews are conducted by two members of staff, at least one of whom is trained in fair and effective recruitment techniques. All interviews are undertaken in accordance with the University’s [Equality & Diversity policy](#).

### Decisions

Applicants will be notified by email when a decision has been made and decision letters will be available to view and print by logging into the application. If there is a deadline by which applicants must accept an offer of admission or pay a deposit, this will be stated in the offer letter.

### Offers

Offers will typically be made in line with the academic requirements set out above. Offers made may be conditional or unconditional. An unconditional offer will be made to applicants who have already met the conditions and provided evidence that conditions have been met. Where academic or language requirements have not yet been fulfilled, applicants will receive a conditional offer outlining the requirements that must be met.

If an applicant is not selected to receive an offer for the course to which they have originally applied, we may offer the opportunity to be considered for an alternative programme in a related subject area. In such cases applicants will receive an email notification providing any alternative course options and asking whether they wish to be considered for these. It may be necessary for applicants to submit additional documentation in order for the application to be fully considered for an alternative programme. Details of the documentation required can be found in the admissions statement for the relevant programme.
### Deferrals
Deferred entry is available for this programme, subject to agreement by the relevant Admissions Team. Please contact psychology-pg-admissions@bristol.ac.uk to make a formal request.

### Additional information

#### Extenuating circumstances
If your education has been significantly disrupted through health or personal problems, disability or specific difficulties within your studies, you can submit an [extenuating circumstances](#) form as part of your application.

The information provided will be treated confidentially and will help us to assess your academic performance fairly considering your circumstances.

#### Academic Technology Approval Scheme (ATAS)
An ATAS certificate is not required for this programme.

#### Visa
International students coming to the UK to study full-time may need to apply for a student visa. [Tier 4 student visa guidance notes](#) are available on the University website.

### Fees and Deposits

#### Fees
Annual tuition fee for 2020/21 if available on the relevant [prospectus entry](#) for this programme.

#### Deposits
International self-funded students accepting a place on a taught postgraduate programme are required to pay a deposit of £1500. Further information is available on [how to pay programme deposits](#). Further information will also be provided in the offer letter to successful applicants. The deposit is non-transferable and non-refundable except under the circumstances outlined in the [International Deposits Refund Policy](#).

#### Sponsored Students
Sponsored students are not required to pay the deposit but will need to upload a copy of their sponsorship letter using the ‘Post Submission Uploads’ section of the online application.