Postgraduate Admissions Statement for Theoretical and Practical Clinical Neuropsychology (PG Diploma)

This Admissions Statement applies to applications submitted for entry to the programme between 1 October 2023 and 30 September 2024.

It should be read in association with the University Admissions Principles and Procedures for Postgraduate programmes, the relevant prospectus entry and general application guidance.

Admissions criteria

Academic and English language requirements
The academic and English language requirements for this programme are displayed on the Postgraduate Prospectus.
For information on international equivalent qualifications, please refer to our International Office website.

Non-standard applications
Unfortunately, we are unable to accept non-standard applications for this programme. Applicants must meet the entry requirements stated here.

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.

Required document pre-application

Expression of Interest form: Required
Prior to formal application, applicants must complete an Expression of Interest form and email it to the School at postgrad-psychology@bristol.ac.uk.

Required and optional documents for formal application

References: Required
Two references (one clinical reference and one academic reference), including a reference from the Programme Director of the DClinPsy programme.

References should comply with our standard requirements outlined on our guidance pages.

Doctorate Certificates: Required
Doctorate Certificates for Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (DClinPsy) at one of our collaboration institutions listed on our webpages.

Doctorate certificates should comply with our standard requirements outlined on our guidance pages.
HCPC Registration: Required
Applicants who are registered with HCPC as a practitioner psychologist must provide their HCPC registration at application stage. Those who are not yet registered must provide their HCPC number at point of entry to the course when registering.

Evidence of practice experience: Required
Applicants must submit evidence of at least six months’ practice experience plus at least one case report (max of two) formally undertaken within the prior training programme of our collaborating institution.

Entrance examination: Required
Applicants must pass an entrance examination set by the University of Bristol. This will be arranged by the School after you have made an application.

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

English language certificates/other evidence: Required
Evidence of meeting the English language profile as stated on the Postgraduate Prospectus and specified by the University English Language Requirements Policy

Curriculum Vitae (CV): Required
CVs might include details of other relevant work experience and qualifications to support an application.

Selection process
Assessment of applications
All applicants are considered in line with the University’s Admissions Principles and Procedures 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:

- Expression of interest form (emailed to: postgrad-psychology@bristol.ac.uk)
- English language ability (where applicable)
- Studying or studied on an approved degree from one of our approved institutions (see above)
- HCPC registration if registered at time of application
- References
- Evidence of practice experience
- Entrance examination
- Personal statement

Interviews
Interviews do not form part of the selection process.
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.

Deferrals
Requests to defer the year of entry must be submitted via the applicant portal. Requests to defer should be submitted at the earliest opportunity so that it can be reviewed by the admissions team. We cannot guarantee that requests will be granted.

Results deadline
Applicants who receive a conditional offer will be required to submit all final results to meet their offer conditions by the date noted in their offer letter. Offer holders who are unable to provide their final results by this date should email choosebristol-pg@bristol.ac.uk to notify the team as soon as possible.

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. Guidance is available on the University website.

Fees and Deposits
Fees
Annual tuition fee are 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 £2000. 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
Fully Sponsored students are not required to pay the deposit but will need to upload a copy of their sponsorship letter to the online application.