



Psychology

Postgraduate study 2014

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Psychology

The School of Psychology is home to over 50 research-active staff. Since 2007, the School has hosted over 40 research grants (over £4 million), funded by ESRC, BBSRC, MRC, EPSRC, the EU and UK government departments, among others. Our programmes are recognised for their original contribution to psychological science, their rigorous use of methodology, and the reach of their significance into policy and everyday life.

Taught programmes:

- MSc Environmental Psychology
- MSc Forensic Psychology
- MSc Health Psychology
- MSc Occupational and Organisational Psychology
- MSc Research Methods in Psychology
- MSc Social Psychology
- MSc Supervision and Consultation: Psychotherapeutic and Organisational Approaches

Specific table notes

1 If your first language is not English, you will need to achieve a minimum IELTS requirement, or an equivalent, which varies by programme. You must achieve both our minimum overall band score and our minimum for each component.

2 This column indicates programmes that are currently either accredited or officially recognised by external organisations. Further information is available on our website.

Key

PT	Part-time
FT	Full-time
Prof. Rec.	Professional recognition
CPD	Continuing professional development
SC	Short courses

	Programme Leader or Director	IELTS min. overall ¹	IELTS min. by component ¹	Prof. Rec. ²	Programme length	UK/EU fees (2014–15)	Overseas fees (2014–15)	CPD/SC
Psychology								
MSc Environmental Psychology	Birgitta Gatersleben	6.5	6.0	✓	FT 12 mths, PT 24 mths	FT £6,590, PT £3,295	FT £16,345, PT £8,170	
MSc Forensic Psychology	Emily Glorney	6.5	6.0	✓	FT 12 mths, PT 24 mths	FT £6,590, PT £3,295	FT £16,345, PT £8,170	
MSc Health Psychology	Mark Cropley	6.5	6.0		FT 12 mths, PT 24 mths	FT £6,590, PT £3,295	FT £16,345, PT £8,170	
MSc Occupational and Organisational Psychology	Almuth McDowell	6.5	6.0	✓	FT 12 mths, PT 24 mths	FT £6,590, PT £3,295	FT £16,345, PT £8,175	
MSc Research Methods in Psychology	Paul Sowden	6.5	6.0	✓	FT 12 mths, PT 24 mths	FT £6,590, PT £3,295	FT £16,345, PT £8,170	
MSc Social Psychology	Adrian Coyle	6.5	6.0	✓	FT 12 mths, PT 24 mths	FT £6,590, PT £3,295	FT £16,345, PT £8,170	
MSc Supervision and Consultation: Psychotherapeutic and Organisational Approaches	Paul Tibbles	6.5	6.0	✓	PT 24 mths	PT £3,295	PT £8,585	✓

Taught programmes

MSc Environmental Psychology

How do individuals and groups react to different environmental situations? What psychological processes are triggered by our environment, and how do they affect our perception, attitude and actions? How can individuals and groups change their environment so that it provides a more stimulating, less stressful and more enabling setting in which to live? How are our identities tied up with place? How might sustainability in environmental policy be better informed by current research?

As populations grow and competition for space and resources increases, you could be working in collaboration with cognitive, occupational and social psychologists, as well as architects, educationalists, environmental scientists, engineers, landscape architects and planners, to address some of society's most pressing issues.

Our MSc Environmental Psychology programme will help you gain advanced knowledge and understanding of theory and practice in environmental psychology. You will also acquire a range of research skills that will give you the confidence and ability to undertake environmental psychology research in a professional setting.

While prior experience in this field is not essential, previous applicants have come from areas such as psychology, sociology, geography, architecture, planning, landscape architecture, interior design, transport, environmental policy and management. Experience of working with, or membership of, environmental groups may also be valuable.

Entry requirements

A UK first or 2.1 honours degree or equivalent in a social or design science discipline, understanding, experience or a passion for environmental, planning or architectural issues. We also accept students with a background in design disciplines, architecture or planning, as well as environmental engineering. Applicants without a degree, who have significant relevant experience, will also be considered.

[Full programme details
surrey.ac.uk/pgt/envpsych](http://surrey.ac.uk/pgt/envpsych)

MSc Forensic Psychology

Forensic psychology examines psychological theories, methods and processes within the context of the legal, criminal and civil justice systems. In particular it looks at the treatment and assessment of offenders, including those who are mentally disordered, and contributes to the investigation of crime by examining issues such as identification of suspects, investigative interviewing, psychological profiling and detecting deception. Forensic psychologists work in collaboration with criminal justice practitioners such as the police and the probation service, as well as other psychologists within secure hospitals and the prison service.

This programme gives you a greater understanding of the contribution that forensic psychology can make. The British Psychological Society's Division of Forensic Psychology (DFP) expects prospective members to fulfil core academic components and possess recognised qualifications in forensic psychology. The MSc Forensic Psychology programme, accredited by the DFP, provides the academic component (Stage 1) on the route to achieving the Qualification in Forensic Psychology and becoming a Chartered Psychologist with the DFP and Practitioner Forensic Psychologist with the Health Professions Council.

Graduates of the programme go on to work in all areas of the criminal justice system, with recent students taking posts in the NHS, prison and probation service, as well as within the police force and ministry of defence. A number of students each year choose to continue to study for a PhD, and a proportion of our graduates eventually return to university to complete training in clinical psychology.

Entry requirements

A first or 2.1 honours degree (or recognised equivalent qualification) in psychology and Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC) with the British Psychological Society (BPS). Applicants will also be required to participate in an interview as part of the selection process.

[Full programme details
surrey.ac.uk/pgt/forensicpsychology](http://surrey.ac.uk/pgt/forensicpsychology)

MSc Health Psychology

Health psychology applies the theories, methods and techniques of psychology to issues of health and illness. These are integrated into the psychological processes related to the maintenance of health, the promotion of the psychological wellbeing of the physically ill, and the normal and pathological responses to ill health and stress.

You will consider the psychological and physiological responses of the individual to ill health, as well as the social and community contexts of health-related behaviours and the systems for healthcare.

You will be equipped with a sound knowledge of theories and practical issues relevant to health psychology and also a good understanding of both quantitative and qualitative approaches to research.

The programme, which is accredited by the British Psychological Society (BPS), provides the academic component (Stage 1) on the route towards becoming a Chartered Health Psychologist.

Entry requirements

A first or 2.1 honours degree (or recognised equivalent qualification) in psychology and Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC) with the BPS.

[Full programme details
surrey.ac.uk/pgt/healthpsychology](http://surrey.ac.uk/pgt/healthpsychology)

MSc Occupational and Organisational Psychology

The programme provides you with the building blocks to develop as an evidence-based practitioner. You will learn and develop in a holistic way, drawing from a considerable evidence-base.

We emphasise the psychological component in our programme, straddling both occupational and organisational perspectives. Our MSc is one of the very few UK occupational psychology programmes hosted in a psychology department. We provide you with knowledge and skills across theory and practice. We facilitate learning through projects, dissertation work, case studies and our lively professional skills programme.

Our MSc is designed to fulfil the academic component (Stage 1) of your route to becoming a Chartered Psychologist. The programme is accredited by the British Psychological Society (BPS). All course staff are Chartered Psychologists, and actively engaged in the professional community. This ensures that our programme is kept fresh, up to date and relevant to current organisational concerns. You can also acquire the Certificate of Competence for Occupational Testing, Ability (formerly known as Level A) as part of your studies at no extra cost.

We have an excellent employment record. Our graduates continue to find employment in psychological consultancies, in private and public sector organisations, in academia and in work as self-employed consultants.

Entry requirements

A first or 2.1 honours degree in psychology and Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC) with the BPS, paired with an interest, understanding and/or experience of occupational and organisational issues as evident from the application form. Following this screening process, we invite suitable applicants to an interview, either face-to-face or via Skype.

[Full programme details
surrey.ac.uk/pgt/occp psychology](http://surrey.ac.uk/pgt/occp psychology)

Taught programmes

MSc Research Methods in Psychology

Do you want to do research in psychology? Do you want the skills to be able to work across levels of explanation, from group behaviour to qualitative analysis of individual experiences and through to the underlying brain activity? The MSc Research Methods in Psychology at the University of Surrey gives you a uniquely broad training because you cover the theory and get hands-on experience of conducting research in psychology from the level of social groups through to neuro-imaging of brain activity.

The programme is designed to provide you with expertise in psychological research methods appropriate for the behavioural sciences. You will develop the skills necessary for critically evaluating research, formulating innovative research questions, conducting empirical research, and analysing, interpreting and reporting research results. The programme also provides a potential stepping stone for research at PhD level.

The programme covers the breadth of contemporary psychological research methods, allowing you to develop research approaches that combine multiple methods in unique ways. By the end of the programme, you will have developed an individual profile of research skills.

Entry requirements

A first or 2.1 honours degree in psychology from a UK university (or recognised equivalent overseas qualification). Applicants with other qualifications will be considered on an individual basis.

MSc Social Psychology

The MSc Social Psychology looks at a range of topical social issues through the lens of social psychological theories in order to develop understanding and ideas for intervention. It is concerned with the scientific study of how we think about, influence and relate to one another.

The programme deals with, amongst other topics, issues of power and influence, the study of how individuals and groups interact to construct and maintain identities and how these are related to social change. Through this, the programme aims to provide you with an awareness of the historical and philosophical background of social psychology and an in-depth knowledge of contemporary theoretical and methodological approaches to the discipline.

You will be part of a diverse group of students at the cutting edge of innovative attempts to apply social psychological theory to everyday thought, emotion and behaviour in social contexts.

Entry requirements

Normally a first or 2.1 honours degree in psychology from a UK university (or recognised equivalent overseas qualification). Degrees in related subjects (such as sociology) will also be considered. Applicants who meet these basic criteria will be invited to be interviewed in person or by Skype to discuss their interest in social psychology.

MSc/PG Dip/PGCert Supervision and Consultation: Psychotherapeutic and Organisational Approaches

This programme is primarily aimed at senior health and social care professionals, educationalists and human resource personnel who are required to consult, supervise and train others. It aims to provide theory and practice approaches that support and guide them to better respond to the learning and personal development needs of staff.

This is a flexible training programme that is sensitive, responsive and relevant to the varied demands made on trainee supervisors and consultants. A major strength of the programme is the mix of background of trainees which helps to contribute to a more varied understanding of the application of theoretical models and practice methods to different contexts.

Entry requirements

A relevant professional qualification including: family therapy, nursing, psychotherapy, psychology, social work, human resources, or counselling. Applicants will also be required to participate in an interview as part of the selection process.

Fees and financial support

There are a lot of things to consider when deciding to further your study – what subject, full-time or part-time study and how much it will cost. At Surrey, we understand what a big undertaking this is. These pages provide information about postgraduate fees and potential sources of funding and the financial support available for your postgraduate studies.

Payment of fees

Fees are payable for each academic year, or part thereof, or each stage of the programme, where fees are not payable on an annual basis, and are revised (increased) subject to annual review. Fees are payable by students continuing on programmes of study in subsequent years.

The University reserves the right to cancel the registration of a student who has not paid the requisite annual composition fees, or who owes the University any sums of money. In the event of a student failing, for any reason, to complete a programme of study, the University will not be under any obligation to return any part of the fees paid by, or on behalf of, the student.

Certain programmes may need additional expenditure for special equipment, field courses, study periods overseas, and so on. Modest charges are made by some faculties or departments for supplementary materials or services, for example, photocopied handouts. Details of these expenses may be obtained from the appropriate faculty or department.

Classification of students for fees purposes

For some programmes of study, the University charges different fees, depending on a student's status as a 'Home' or 'overseas' student. The classification of students for fees purposes is based on the Education (Fees and Awards) Regulations 2007. Further information on eligibility criteria and general guidance on fees classification is available from the UK Council for International Student Affairs (UKCISA).

In general, in order to qualify as 'Home' for fees purposes, a student must have a relevant connection with the UK, or qualify as an 'excepted candidate' under these regulations, for example, as a national of an EU member state.

If you would like to enquire further about your own classification, please contact:

Admissions Services

T: +44 (0)1483 682222

E: admissions@surrey.ac.uk

Continuing fees for students pursuing taught programmes of study

In general, students on postgraduate taught programmes are not required to pay continuing fees, although extension fees may be payable for certain programmes. In such cases, the faculty will notify students of the arrangements.

Surrey and Santander Country and University Scholarships

With nearly 4,000 international students from over 140 different nationalities studying with us, we are one of the most culturally diverse universities in the country. We are also a member of Santander Universities, a worldwide network of over 800 tertiary education institutions. Santander Universities Global Division generously supports Surrey's international engagement through sponsorship of student and staff mobility, language programmes and entrepreneurship initiatives.

We have recently introduced three new scholarship schemes aimed at further enhancing our cultural diversity:

- Surrey Country Scholarships
- Santander Country Scholarships
- Santander University Scholarships

For full information on eligibility and how to apply, please visit: surrey.ac.uk/postgraduate/fees

Discounts for Surrey graduates

If you are a self-funded UK, EU or international student who has studied for an undergraduate degree at the University of Surrey campus in Guildford, you will be eligible for a 10% discount on our taught postgraduate Masters programme fees.

For more information, contact the Student and Fees and Funding office:

feesandfunding@surrey.ac.uk

Indonesia-UK DIKTI Scholarship Scheme

This programme is open for lecturers at Indonesian universities and administrative staff at universities and at the Indonesian Ministry of Education and Culture - Directorate General of Higher Education (DIKTI). The programme will fund up to 750 academics to come and study in the UK over the next five years. All academic subjects are eligible for funding under the DIKTI programme. For more information visit

international.ac.uk/dikti

Tullow Oil Scholarship Scheme

The University of Surrey is delighted to announce it has recently been selected to participate in the Tullow Oil Scholarship Scheme.

If you are a prospective Masters student from one of the following countries, you may be eligible to apply for this scholarship:

- Cote D'Ivoire
- Ethiopia
- French Guinea
- Gabon
- Ghana
- Kenya
- Mauritania
- Uganda

For full details on eligibility and how to apply please visit

tullowgroupscholarshipscheme.org

Career Development Loans

A Professional and Career Development loan offers financial assistance while you improve your prospects.

Career Development loans are available directly via Barclays Bank and the Co-operative Bank.

Your Application

To apply for a programme, you'll need to complete and submit our online application form, which you can access via the specific programme profile pages on our website: surrey.ac.uk

How to apply

Prior to making your application you should refer to the specific programme profile page on the website for a list of the mandatory documents that you will be required to provide as part of your application.

While there is no formal application or deadline for the majority of our programmes, it's best to apply as early as possible to avoid disappointment. Where a programme does have an application deadline, the date is detailed on the specific programme profile page on the website.

Shortly after submitting your application, you will be emailed details of how to access the applicant portal where you will be able to track the status and outcome of your application.

Admissions policy and selection

The University of Surrey offers a high-quality learning environment which supports you in achieving your full potential in your academic discipline and prepares you for your career and lifelong learning. It is University policy that all applicants are considered primarily on merit and their academic potential. We welcome applications from people who, in addition to any formal qualifications, can demonstrate:

- Intellectual ability (sufficient to profit from the vigorous demands of a degree programme)
- Suitability for their chosen programme of study
- Motivation to study
- Interest in their chosen subject

To be considered for an offer, you will usually be expected to have achieved, or be predicted to achieve, our minimum entry requirements or above. However, we are unable to guarantee that meeting the grades stated in our entry requirements will be enough to enable us to make you an offer. All aspects of your application will be taken into account when deciding to make an offer to you.

Admission to the University is subject to your acceptance and observance of the University's rules and regulations. Our full Admissions Policy, including information on the Contract of Admission and complaints procedure, can be found on our website:

surrey.ac.uk/admissionspolicy

International applicants

English language requirements

To benefit fully from a postgraduate programme, you will need a good standard of English and will have to provide evidence of your ability. The minimum standard required is shown below, which applies to the majority of programmes. Where a higher level is required, this will be detailed within the taught programmes table at the beginning of this brochure.

The following qualifications are accepted by the University as evidence that you meet our minimum level of competence in English:

- Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (grade B)
- Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (grade C)
- International English Language Testing System (IELTS) (band 6.5 overall, with a minimum of 6.0 in each of the four components); the test must have been taken no earlier than two years before the start of your programme
- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) with 92 overall in the internet-based test, with 22 or higher in each component (23 or higher in the speaking test); the test must have been taken no earlier than two years before the start of your programme

The University of Surrey has an IELTS test centre on campus. If you have IELTS at 0.5 below the required level for your programme and at no lower than 0.5 below the level in any single component, you will meet our English requirements upon subsequent successful completion of the University of Surrey's ten-week pre-sessional English programme, PS10, without the need to take another IELTS test.

surrey.ac.uk/englishlanguage

Visa applications

If you require a student visa, you need to apply through Tier 4 of the Points-based Immigration System. Full information about this new system can be found at:

ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk

ATAS

There is an extra permission that you may need to get when you are a postgraduate student researching or studying some science and engineering subjects, if you are a national of a country that is not part of the EU/EEA. This is called the Academic Technology Approval Scheme (ATAS).

You must get your ATAS certification before we can issue your Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS), which you will need to apply for your Tier 4 general student visa. Most PhD subjects in science and engineering need ATAS certification. At the time of publication, 14 Masters-level programmes at the University of Surrey require ATAS.

fco.gov.uk

Disabled and dyslexic students

It is University policy that all applicants are considered primarily on merit and their academic potential. However, it is essential for the University to know the nature of any impairments in advance, so that we may advise on what facilities and arrangements are available to you.

If you have a disability, dyslexia or medical condition which may affect your ability to study your chosen programme, please let us know on your application form.

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Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information contained in this brochure at the time of going to press. The University reserves the right, however, to introduce changes to the information given including the addition, withdrawal or restructuring of degree programmes. The University is reviewing the structure of undergraduate modules which may result in some amendments to module titles and content.