Psychology postgraduate regulations

The content of our courses is reviewed annually to make sure it’s up-to-date and relevant. Individual modules are occasionally updated or withdrawn. This is in response to discoveries through our world-leading research; funding changes; professional accreditation requirements; student or employer feedback; outcomes of reviews; and variations in staff or student numbers. In the event of any change the University will consult and inform students in good time and will take reasonable steps to minimise disruption.

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PSYR09 REGULATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY (DClinPsy)

This programme of study is non-modular.

A. For students without professional qualifications in Clinical Psychology (PSYR09 (Full-Time))

1. A person may be admitted as a student who is a recognised graduate in Psychology and is eligible for the Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC) of the British Psychological Society. It will be a condition of registration that a student is to be an employee of or hold a License to Operate with the National Health Service or of an employer deemed to be equivalent.

2. A student will undertake

   (a) prescribed coursework, including academic clinical projects, case studies, and short-answer questions
   (b) supervised practice in Clinical Psychology on placement
   (c) a thesis.

3. The examination will consist of

   (a) academic clinical projects
   (b) short-answer questions
   (c) case studies
   (d) observed clinical skills assessment
   (e) assessment of clinical competence on placement
   (f) a thesis
   (g) an oral examination on all aspects of submitted work.

4. The programme of study will be pursued for three years by a full-time student. A single extension to registration of one year is the maximum permitted. Supervised practice in Clinical Psychology on placement will be for a period of at least two days per week throughout the programme of study.

5. A student will pursue a programme of research in accordance with the General Regulations for Higher Degrees, and will present a thesis in accordance with those Regulations.

6. A student who fails in any part of the examination may be permitted to retake that part of the examination on one occasion only.

7. A student who contravenes the Standards of conduct, performance and ethics or the Guidance of conduct and ethics for students of the Health and Care Professions Council or the Code of Ethics and Conduct for Psychologists or the Generic Professional Practice Guidelines of the British Psychological Society or the Professional Practice Guidelines of the Division of Clinical Psychology may be dealt with under General Regulations as to Progress of Students, the General Regulations relating to Student Fitness to Practise or the General Regulations as to the Discipline of Students.

8. No aegrotat awards can be made from this programme.