



Master of Clinical Psychology Master of Clinical Neuropsychology Master of Organisational Psychology Master of Professional Psychology

APPLICATION GUIDE 2025 INTAKE

APPLICATION DATES

International Applications – Close on 31 October 2024.

Domestic Applications – Close on 31 October 2024.



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TIMELINE



PLEASE READ THIS ENTIRE GUIDE CAREFULLY

The following information is provided as general guidance to applicants to Master of Clinical Psychology, Master of Clinical Neuropsychology, Master of Organisational Psychology and Master of Professional Psychology at Macquarie University. Information included in this guide will ensure applications can be completed with all information required for assessment. For information about the courses applicants should review the Macquarie University Website.

Domestic (www.mq.edu.au/study/admissions-and-entry/apply/postgraduate)

International (www.mq.edu.au/study/admissions-and-entry/apply/international)

HOW MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY WILL CONTACT YOU

Email will be the primary means of contact between Macquarie University and applicants.

It is essential that you provide a current email address which will be valid through to March 2025 and that you regularly check your emails.

You are advised to provide an email address other than your current university address unless it will be available until March 2025.

Some email messages may be blocked or flagged as spam by some email providers. To avoid missing important information please check your junk mail folder, especially if you use a web-based email client such as Gmail or Hotmail.

Macquarie University will not be held responsible for undeliverable or unread email communication.

It is recommended to use the same email address for all components of the applications process.

FURTHER INFORMATION

You should first ensure you have carefully read this guide and associated websites. If you still require assistance, contact the university via futurestudents@mq.edu.au using the same email address you are applying with.

ADMISSION POLICIES

Offers

Successful applicants will be given a firm date by which to accept an offer of a place. Offers not accepted by that date will lapse.

IF AN APPLICANT DECLINES AN OFFER, OR ALLOWS THE OFFER TO LAPSE, THEY WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FURTHER FOR THAT COURSE IN THE 2025 INTAKE. It is still possible to receive an offer for other MQ courses that were preferred in the application.

Deferral

Deferral of a place is not available, and applicants must reapply if they wish to be considered for the following year.

Exclusion

An applicant who has been excluded from any university must indicate this when they apply. Applicants whom this applies to may be contacted for further details.

Admission and application irregularities

It is important that you present accurate records for assessment. Applicants should be aware that the presentation of forged documents is a criminal offence in Australia and that universities may take appropriate action in such cases. All tertiary study must be declared in the application. For the purpose of university admission, the withholding of information and the submission of incorrect or misleading information are deemed fraudulent. Action taken in such cases may include cancellation of an application for admission, withdrawal of an offer of admission, or cancellation of an enrolment. Applicants who submit fraudulent documents or otherwise seek to gain an advantage by fraudulent means may be banned from future applications to Macquarie University.

Macquarie University policies

Details on admission policies are provided in the entry requirements section of this guide.

As soon as you have accepted an offer or place at another university, then please be considerate of fellow applicants and withdraw your Macquarie application/s as soon as possible.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Macquarie University makes every effort to ensure the accuracy of information provided in this admission guide at the time of publication. Applicants are responsible for determining their eligibility to apply and should review admissions requirements in this guide and the Macquarie University Course Website for the course you are applying for. Applicants are also strongly encouraged to view the [informational video](#) about Macquarie University Postgraduate Psychology courses which outlines information on each degree pathway, including the admissions process and your future career as a psychology practitioner.

[Master of Clinical Psychology](https://www.mq.edu.au/study/find-a-course/courses/2025/master-of-clinical-psychology#entry-requirements) - <https://www.mq.edu.au/study/find-a-course/courses/2025/master-of-clinical-psychology#entry-requirements>

[Master of Clinical Neuropsychology](https://www.mq.edu.au/study/find-a-course/courses/2025/master-of-clinical-neuropsychology#entry-requirements) - <https://www.mq.edu.au/study/find-a-course/courses/2025/master-of-clinical-neuropsychology#entry-requirements>

[Master of Organisational Psychology](https://www.mq.edu.au/study/find-a-course/courses/2025/master-of-organisational-psychology#entry-requirements) - <https://www.mq.edu.au/study/find-a-course/courses/2025/master-of-organisational-psychology#entry-requirements>

[Master of Professional Psychology](https://www.mq.edu.au/study/find-a-course/courses/2025/master-of-professional-psychology#entry-requirements) - <https://www.mq.edu.au/study/find-a-course/courses/2025/master-of-professional-psychology#entry-requirements>

The application process is competitive, and the university receives a large number of applications for each course. The application process is broken up into stages, each of which is competitive and only those deemed competitive will progress to the next stage.

STAGE 1 – APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Applicants must complete all components of the application submission process by the closing date to be considered for stage 2. Incomplete applications will not be assessed.

Invitations for the interviews and offers for admission to the course are highly competitive. Meeting the minimum stated requirements does not guarantee progression to the next stage of the application process.

To ensure your application is appropriately assessed and all components of the application process are submitted please review the following table and following the instructions.

- Table 1 Application form
- Table 2 Required Documents and Forms
- Table 3 Additional requirements

TABLE 1 APPLICATION FORM

Application Form – Closes 31 October	
<p>Domestic</p> <p>To be considered a domestic student you must be one of the following.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an Australian citizen or permanent resident • a New Zealand citizen • an Australian humanitarian visa holder. 	<p>Applications are via UAC, please see the website for more information on the application process and how to attach documents.</p> <p>You will be able to apply for multiple courses, that you will need to indicate preference from 1 to 6.</p>
<p>International</p>	<p>Applications are direct to Macquarie/ Details can be found on the 'How to apply as an international student' page (https://www.mq.edu.au/study/admissions-and-entry/apply/international)</p> <p>The Macquarie Online Application Manager can be found here. (https://admissions.mq.edu.au/)</p>

TABLE 2 REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Required Attachment	Details of Requirement	Stage 1 Assessment
Academic Qualification – From an Australian Provider	<p>Australian degrees must be from a Commonwealth-accredited institution and be accredited with APAC as a level 2 qualification. More information about APAC approved programs can be found on APAC website.</p> <p>All transcripts must be uploaded, including full Bachelors (AQF 7) degree and all tertiary studies.</p> <p>4th year or Honours Degree (AQF 8) or other equivalent APAC level 2 courses in psychology - All applicants must have completed, or be in the final year of, an honours degree or equivalent.</p> <p><i>Note: Final results for the level 2 psychology qualification must be submitted before full offers can be made.</i></p>	<p>Master of Clinical Psychology</p> <p>Master of Clinical Neuropsychology</p> <p>Master of Organisational Psychology</p>
Academic Qualification – From an International Provider	<p>Overseas Honours Degrees must be recognised by the Australian Department of Education and Training Qualifications Recognition Policy Unit (previously AEI-NOOSR) as equivalent to an AQF level 8 degree and include a major research thesis/project. Further information can be found on the Macquarie University Academic entry requirements website Your qualification(s) will be assessed for equivalency as part of the application process.</p> <p><i>Do not contact the Australian Department of Education and Training Qualifications Recognition Policy Unit for assessment of your degree.</i></p> <p>You must have your qualifications assessed by the Australian Psychological Society (APS), who is the national assessing authority for the assessment of overseas qualified psychologists. The outcome of the APS assessment must be attached to your application.</p> <p>If qualification documents are in a language other than English applicants must submit certified copies of both the qualification and translation. More information can be found on the Macquarie University Forms Website.</p>	<p>WAM 75 and above from AQF level 7 qualification or equivalent.</p> <p>Master of Professional Psychology</p> <p>WAM 65 and above from AQF level 7 qualification or equivalent.</p>
English language requirement	<p>All applicants must meet English Language Requirements as outlined in the Macquarie Admissions Policy. Details can be found on the English language requirements page: https://www.mq.edu.au/study/admissions-and-entry/apply/international/english-language-requirements</p> <p>In addition, student must meet the Professional English requirements for the purposes of initial registration with AHPRA: Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency - English language skills (ahpra.gov.au)</p>	<p>Minimum IELTS (or equivalent) overall score of 7 and with no band below a score of 7.</p>
Resume/CV	<p>PDF version of your Resume/CV including experience that would support demonstration of capability for training in the relevant field of psychology.</p> <p>This may include,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paid employment relevant to the area of Psychology. • Volunteer work relevant to the area of Psychology. • Demonstration of transferrable skills relevant to the area of psychology in either paid or volunteer work. 	<p>Assessment and ranking of experience detailed in Resume/CV.</p>

TABLE 3 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Requirement	Details of Requirement	Stage 1 Assessment
Supplementary Form	<p>All applicants must submit a supplementary form in addition to an application form. The supplementary form is available via your application form and includes where you should complete your personal statement.</p> <p>The form will include.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questions about your motivation and suitability. If the field is not indicated to be required, you are not required to complete this component. • Confirmation that applicants have reviewed the fitness to practice and Inherent requirements via the FMHHS Graduate Health Course Requirements module https://goto.mq/fmhhs-course-rqs. And are aware of the compliance requirements including immunisations. • Confirmation the applicant is aware of and can meet the registration standard for at minimum provisional registration as a psychologist including responsibilities to renew registration annually and adhere to registration standards including time limits to complete the course. 	<p>Consideration of how the responses support demonstration of interest and capability for training in the applied field of psychology will be used towards an applicant's ranking in stage 1.</p>
Reference check	<p>Referee checks are undertaken via the Australian Psychology Postgraduate Reference Request System. The system will be open from 1 August for applications into courses commencing in 2025.</p> <p>Applicants must register with Psychology Reference System and nominate <u>two</u> referees, including a minimum of one academic reference and preferably one employment reference. Reference guides on using the system for both applicants and Referees are available on the Psychology Reference System website. Referees are then prompted to complete an online reference.</p> <p>It is strongly recommended you request your referees to complete the online reference by one week prior to the closing date, to allow your referee sufficient time to complete the reference. You must have two references submitted by the closing date for your application to be complete.</p>	<p>Minimum requirement of at least 2 satisfactory referee checks.</p>

All components must be submitted **by 31 October 2024** with assessments for Stage 1 shortlisting occurring shortly after. Applications that do not meet the minimum of 1 or more components will not be considered further and will receive a notification that they do not qualify.

Shortlisting for invitation to participate in Stage 2 and the Multiple Mini Interviews (MMI) is highly competitive and as such meeting the minimum stated requirements of Stage 1 does not guarantee an invitation to attend an MMI. Shortlisting is based on all components listed above in Stage 1 including information provided to the Universities Admission Centre (UAC), referee reports, and completion of the Macquarie University Supplementary Form.

Offers for interview will be sent out in **mid-November 2024**.

STAGE 2 – MULTIPLE MINI INTERVIEWS (MMI)

The interview is designed to assess qualities considered by Macquarie University to be associated with success in both the study of psychology and later practice. Interviews will be conducted online via Zoom by trained interviewers at Macquarie University.

Shortlisted applicants will be sent an invitation via email to attend a Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) to be held in mid-late November.

Applicants are selected for interview based on all components listed below in table 4 and includes all information provided to the Universities Admission Centre (UAC) (domestic applicants), Macquarie University (international applicants), referee reports, and completion of the Macquarie University Supplementary Form.

TABLE 4 ASSESSMENT FOR RANKING

Application Requirement	How Assessment is made
Academic Qualification AQF 7 or equivalent	<p>Total Course WAM</p> <p>Master of Clinical Psychology, Master of Clinical Neuropsychology, Master of Organisational Psychology: Minimum WAM of 75 for Years 1-3 of APAC accredited AQF Level 7 qualification or equivalent in psychology, including international qualification(s) deemed equivalent by the Australian Psychological Society Minimum WAM of 80 in Year 4 (Honours or 4th year equivalent) of APAC accredited AQF Level 8 psychology qualification or equivalent, including international qualification(s) deemed equivalent by the Australian Psychological Society</p> <p>Master of Professional Psychology: Minimum WAM of 65 for Years 1-3 of APAC accredited AQF Level 7 qualification or equivalent in psychology, including international qualification(s) deemed equivalent by the Australian Psychological Society Minimum WAM of 75 in Year 4 (Honours or 4th year equivalent) of APAC accredited AQF Level 8 psychology qualification or equivalent, including international qualification(s) deemed equivalent by the Australian Psychological Society</p> <p>Please note that applicants who have achieved WAMs less than the stated requirements will be excluded from the applicant pool.</p>
Resume/CV	Assessed against a course-specific matrix to identify relevant work experience
Supplementary Form including personal statement.	Assessed against a course-specific matrix to establish motivation and overall impression
Reference Checks	Assessed against a course-specific matrix
English Language requirements	Applicants with English language requirements below the minimum level will not progress.
Total Ranking	All aspects are added together to get the top ranked students per course.

Applicants successful in progressing to the interview stage will receive a letter inviting them to the interview. The letter will include details about the format of the interviews and next steps.

Academic and ranking performance will not be discussed at the interview.

Applicants must meet all expenses associated with attending the interview.

Applicants unsuccessful in receiving an interview will be notified via UAC or email by Macquarie University. Applicants who were not interviewed will not participate in further processing.

STAGE 3 – OFFERS

Following the final ranking, applicants are checked to ensure they have completed a level 2 course in psychology with a result above the minimum required to qualify for the course. Refer to the relevant [entry requirements](#) to check this.

Offers will be sent via UAC for domestic students and email for international students and will have a date by which they must accept the offer. If no action has been taken by the due date, the offer will 'lapse' and the next highest ranked applicant will receive an offer.

Applicants who have not submitted their final Level 2 psychology course results will receive conditional offers only and will not be able to be admitted into the course until this condition is lifted. Applicants on a conditional offer should not apply for provisional registration due to the time limits in the registration process. The university will not be able to confirm your enrolment until you have had the condition lifted and enrolled into the course.

Applicants who participated in the MMIs but were unsuccessful in receiving an offer in the early stages will either receive a notification via UAC or email that they are still in consideration pending confirmed numbers or they were unsuccessful

QUOTAS

There are limited places available in each of the courses. There are a limited number of Commonwealth Supported Places (CSP) and the remaining places being either domestic full-fee paying or international fee paying.

FITNESS TO PRACTICE AND INHERENT REQUIREMENTS

Before accepting their offer, applicants are reminded to review the Fitness to Practice and Inherent requirements for the course they are accepting. Inherent requirements for each course are listed in the University Handbook and Fitness to Practice requirements can be reviewed through the FMHHS Graduate Health Course Requirements module <https://goto.mq/fmhhs-course-rqs>.

To review the Inherent requirements, click on the course name below and scroll down to Additional requirements.

[Master of Clinical Psychology](#)

[Master of Clinical Neuropsychology](#)

[Master of Organisational Psychology](#)

[Master of Professional Psychology](#)

Note: MQ will start informing AHPRA of new students who have enrolled into their units from the second week of January. Please consider this before submitting your application for provisional registration.

CONTACT INFORMATION

We wish you all the best in your application and should you have any challenges or questions please contact us via email futurestudents@mq.edu.au



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