



MSc Psychology Research Methods

This MSc course aims to give you the very best training in psychological research methods. The course is excellent preparation for application to PhD and other research careers. It is based in a psychology department with a broad field of expertise and you will learn about a wide range of methods used in contemporary psychology.

The course provides a solid basis in widely used methods and techniques in experimental and applied psychology. These include psychophysics, qualitative methods, statistical analyses, research ethics and research design.





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Why study this course?

The MSc in Psychology Research Methods gives you advanced research skills across all areas of Psychology, while giving you choice to specialise in areas of particular interest to you. The course gives you both taught skills and knowledge together with the scope to develop your independent research interests and expertise. For those of you considering a PhD, it is a fantastic basis for research training. If you want a career that incorporates conducting research or working with evidence-based policy, this course gives you the critical appraisal skills to increase your competitive edge.

Course Delivery

The course can be undertaken in one year if studied full-time, or over two years if part-time. It is structured around a set of core modules that teach essential skills and methods and optional modules that allow you to tailor it to your own interests and goals.

- Throughout the course, we will encourage and support you in the development of your own research ideas and directions.
- You will be guided by your research supervisor to conduct an original and independent piece of research in an area that fits your interests.
- You will also gain hands-on experience of how research within a research group is done, to give you additional skills to add to your CV.

Support and assessment

Methods of assessment are varied and include written examinations, coursework, oral presentation and project work. Academic support is provided by the convenor of each module. In addition, students are allocated a personal tutor to provide pastoral support.

Entry requirements

A good undergraduate degree in Psychology or related subject (normally at the level of a 2.1 honours award or international equivalent) is required. We consider applicants from related disciplines (e.g. Neuroscience or Social Sciences) who want to specialise more in psychological research methods.

Applicants whose first language is not English must also achieve:
IELTS: 6.5 (no less than 6.0 in any element)

Career opportunities

Many people use this Masters to support their applications for PhD study or other advanced degree positions. It also prepares you for a broad range of research careers in industry, charities, healthcare or public sector research.

Our graduates are highly regarded by employers in private and public sector organisations because of the solid academic foundation and transferable and analytic expertise they gain during their degree course.

The University of Nottingham is one of the UK's 10 universities most targeted by recruiters. The quality of our graduates is widely recognised by employers and recent graduates have been recruited to a wide range of major national and international organisations and in private and public sectors.

Fees and funding

For 2017-18 entry, the fees for the course are £7,335 (Home, EU) / £18,990 (International). Up-to-date fees information and advice on funding opportunities can be found at: www.nottingham.ac.uk/fees

How to apply

You can apply online at my.nottingham.ac.uk/pgapps

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