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MSc in Developmental Disorders

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Overview

The MSc Developmental Disorders offers advanced knowledge of psychological aspects of developmental disorders, and aims to provide training for students who are interested in pursuing a career in clinical or educational psychology, or in research.

The course is also aimed at those currently practising in clinical or educational fields who wish to expand their knowledge of developmental disorders, and enhance their research skills.

Content

Knowledge will be acquired through engagement with advanced-level theory and practical work that will enable the student to develop expertise in cutting-edge research methods. The MSc also provides practical knowledge of aspects of diagnosis and assessment, and therapeutic or educational interventions for developmental disorders.

On this course, you will:

- Study with experts in the field of developmental psychology and developmental disorders
- Undertake a piece of research that addresses a key question about developmental psychopathology
- Learn practical aspects of psychological assessment and testing

Support and assessment

The teaching is through lectures, workshops, seminars and individual supervision, supported by an online learning environment. Assessment is based on oral presentations, practical demonstrations, written assignments, examinations, and a research project report.

Structure

The MSc Developmental Disorders comprises two semesters of full-time study during which all of the taught modules of the programme are completed. In the summer period, from June to September, an empirical research project is undertaken with support from a supervisor in the School of Psychology.

Modules

Typical modules include:

- Neurodevelopmental Disorders
- Psychological Assessment
- Developmental Disorders in Context
- Childhood Clinical and Behavioural Disorders
- Advanced Methods in Psychology
- Professional Skills
- Research Project

Entry requirements

You would normally need a 2:1 (or international equivalent) in psychology or a related discipline. A lower second class honours degree (2.2 or international equivalent) may be considered provided the applicant has relevant work experience or another supporting factor.

If English is not your first language, you must achieve IELTS 6.5 (with no less than 6.0 in any element).

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