

**Psychology Conversion****MSPSYCH**

<b>Duration:</b>	1 Year FT (MSc/PGDip) 2 Years PT (MSc only)
<b>Total credit Rating:</b>	180 (Msc) 120 (PGDip)
<b>Awards:</b>	See award information section of this document

**Full time (Msc)**

<b>Core:</b>	Candidates are required to take:		
PSY 7045	Cognitive Psychology	Sem 1	15 credits
PSY 7065	Personality and Individual Differences	Sem 1	15 credits
PSY 7035	Social Psychology	Sem 1	15 credits
PSY 7073	Psychology Research Methods	Sem 1	30 credits
PSY 7015	Clinical Psychology	Sem 2	15 credits
PSY 7025	Developmental Psychology	Sem 2	15 credits
PSY 7055	Hormones and Behaviour	Sem 2	15 credits
PSY 7086	Msc Thesis (Journal Format)	Sem 2 & Summer	60 credits

**Part time****Year 1 (Part time)**

<b>Core:</b>	Candidates are required to take:		
PSY 7045	Cognitive Psychology	Sem 1	15 credits
PSY 7073	Psychology Research Methods	Sem 1	30 credits
PSY 7015	Clinical Psychology	Sem 2	15 credits
PSY 7025	Developmental Psychology	Sem 2	15 credits
PSY 7055	Hormones and Behaviour	Sem 2	15 credits

**Year 2 (part time)**

<b>Core:</b>	Candidates are required to take:		
PSY 7065	Personality and Individual Differences	Sem 1	15 credits
PSY 7035	Social Psychology	Sem 1	15 credits
PSY 7086	Msc Thesis (Journal Format)	Sem 2 & Summer	60 credits

**PGDip Psychology (Conversion)**

Entry requirements:

If the applicant has previously undertaken and can evidence 60 credits worth of BPS-accredited undergraduate psychology modules, it may be possible to undertake the shorter 120-credit PgDip Psychology (Conversion) programme and still be eligible for GBC (through recognition of prior learning).

<b>Core:</b>	Candidates are required to take:		
PSY 7073	Psychological Research Methods	Sem 1	30 credits
PSY (varies)	Negotiated Option One*	Sem 1	15 credits
PSY (Varies)	Negotiated Option Two*	Sem 2	15 credits
PSY 7086	MSc Thesis (Journal Format)	Sem 2 & Summer	60 credits

\*dependant on previous coverage of core domains (accredited Prior Learning)

## **Award Information**

### **1) MSc Psychology (Conversion) programme**

The first and expected pathway for progression is by way of the 180-credit MSc Psychology (Conversion) programme – which will confer eligibility for GBC (subject to accreditation from the BPS). The successful graduate will have demonstrated: advanced practice skills based on the ability to reflect critically on current research and theory, applying these to the field of psychology; originality in the application of knowledge and the ability to promote developments in psychology; the effective communication of their work in a variety of forms. However, if the MSc Psychology (Conversion) programme is not completed, two fallback awards are possible.

#### **1a) Award of Postgraduate Diploma of Higher Education in Psychology (PgDip)**

The PgDip in Psychology will be awarded in those circumstances where the student completes 120 credits worth of modules within the MSc Psychology (Conversion) programme. Students will have had specific opportunities to display transferable, employable skills relevant to a psychology career, and will have evidenced an ability to complete successfully eight 15-credit modules (or equivalent). ***This fallback award is not to be confused with the PgDip Psychology (Conversion) award, and will not confer eligibility for GBC.***

#### **1b) Award of Postgraduate Certificate of Higher Education in Psychology (PgCert)**

The PgCert in Psychology will be awarded in those circumstances where the student completes 60 credits worth of modules within the MSc Psychology (Conversion) programme. Students will have had specific opportunities to display transferable, employable skills relevant to a psychology career, and will have evidenced an ability to complete successfully four 15-credit modules (or equivalent). ***This fallback award will not confer eligibility for GBC.***

### **2) PgDip Psychology (Conversion) programme**

The second pathway for progression is by way of the 120-credit PgDip Psychology (Conversion) programme, where previous BPS-accredited modules have been completed and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) has been applied in line with BPS accreditation regulations (see section 8 for entry requirements). Completion of the PgDip Psychology (Conversion) programme will confer eligibility for GBC. However, if the PgDip Psychology (Conversion) programme is not completed, one fallback award is possible.

#### **2a) Award of Postgraduate Certificate of Higher Education in Psychology**

The PgCert in Psychology will be awarded in those circumstances where the student completes 60 credits worth of modules. They will have had specific opportunities to display transferable, employable skills relevant to a psychology career, and will have evidenced an ability to complete successfully four 15-credit modules (or equivalent). ***This fallback award will not confer eligibility for GBC.***