Program Code

MPSYD

Program Minimum Units

48

Standard Duration

2 Years

Program Faculty

Faculty of Health Sciences

AQF Level

09

Academic Year

2016

Special Notes

Note: This program will not be offered in 2016

These Program Rules should be read in conjunction with the University’s policies (http://www.adelaide.edu.au/policies).

Overview

The Master of Clinical Psychology (Defence) is offered by the University of Adelaide in conjunction with Joint Health Command, Australian Defence Force (ADF). The aim of the program is to enhance professional skills in the field of clinical psychology. The program is designed to provide Defence psychologists with the necessary skills required for providing health care and organisational support to ADF personnel. Successful graduates will gain a broad understanding of ADF Health Services as well as develop the relevant skills and training relating to mental health promotion and clinical practice. It is designed to satisfy the full requirements of the Psychology Board of Australia as well as membership to the Australian Psychological Society College of Clinical Psychologists.

This program is provisionally accredited by the Australian Psychological Accreditation Council and has been endorsed by the APS’s College of Clinical Psychologists.

To be eligible for admittance to the program applicants must be an Australian Defence Force psychologist (including members of the ADF reserves), Commonwealth Department of Defence employed psychologist or a contracted health practitioner (psychologist) in Joint Health Command. Applicants will also be accepted from ADF members who aspire to become psychologists through Defence.

The Master of Clinical Psychology (Defence) is an AQF Level 9 Masters Extension qualification with a standard full-time duration of 2 years.

Conditions

Condition of Enrolment

Interruption of program: Students must apply for permission from the Head of School before taking a Leave of Absence. Any extension of the leave without approval will result in the loss of place in the program but an application may be made to be re-admitted to the program subject to the admission
procedures in place at the time.

**Academic Program Rules for Master of Clinical Psychology (Defence) (MClinPsych(Def))**

There shall be a Master of Clinical Psychology (Defence) (MClinPsych(Def)).

**Qualification Requirements**

**Academic Program**

To qualify for the degree of Master of Clinical Psychology (Defence), the student must complete satisfactorily a program of study consisting of the following requirements with a combined total of not less than 48 units:

1. Core courses to the value of 24 units
2. Research equivalent courses to the value of 12 units in the form of a research project
3. Work based training / extra mural studies to the value of 12 units

**Core Courses**

- PSYCHOL 7401EX Regimental Officer Basic Course (ROBC) (3 units)
- PSYCHOL 7406EX Mental Health Support on Operations (3 units)
- PSYCHOL 7402 Evidence-based Practice (3 units)
- PSYCHOL 7403 Psychological Assessment (3 units)
- PSYCHOL 7404 Clinical Disorders in Adults & Children (3 units)
- PSYCHOL 7407 Interviewing and Intervention (3 units)
- PSYCHOL 7408EX Mental Health Disaster Management (3 units)
- PSYCHOL 7409 Neuropsychology and Disability (3 units)

**Research Project**

- PSYCHOL 7418 Research Project in Clinical Psychology I (6 units)
- PSYCHOL 7419 Research Project in Clinical Psychology II (6 units)

**Work Based Training / Extra Mural Studies**

Students must complete placements to the value of 1000 hours:

- PSYCHOL 7412 Placement I (3 units)
- PSYCHOL 7413 Placement II (3 units)
- PSYCHOL 7417 Placement III (6 units)

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