



Indigenous Entry Stream - Application Form

H745 Master of Clinical Psychology (Post Registration)

H750 Master of Psychology (Clinical)

H951 Doctor of Psychology (Clinical)

Part A: Information for Applicants

Thank you for your interest in the Indigenous Entry Stream for the postgraduate clinical psychology courses at Deakin. Understanding what has led you here and how you see your future self is important to us. Please read the following pages before you begin your application so that you are aware of important information and the details we ask you to share.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE INDIGENOUS ENTRY STREAM

Through the Indigenous Entry Stream, we will reserve a minimum of three (3) places across our current postgraduate clinical psychology courses for eligible Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants. We will meet with all Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait applicants who apply to us. This means that even if your application is unsuccessful, we can support you to apply again or to think about other pathways that might be a good fit for you.

For more information about the Indigenous Entry Stream, please visit deakin.edu.au/faculty-of-health/indigenous-entry-stream.

ELIGIBLE COURSES

The Indigenous Entry Stream is available across the following postgraduate clinical psychology courses:

- H745 Master of Clinical Psychology (Post Registration)
- H750 Master of Psychology (Clinical)
- H951 Doctor of Psychology (Clinical)

The Master of Clinical Psychology (Post Registration) is a pathway for registered psychologists to gain an area of practice endorsement (AoPE) to work as a clinical psychologist. The course will provide you with an opportunity to advance your professional knowledge and acquire new skills to care for patients with complex mental health conditions. You'll gain 750 hours of clinical experience while you study, ensuring you graduate with the skills and qualification you need to practice in clinical psychology.

The Master of Psychology (Clinical) prepares you for professional practice as a registered psychologist. Gain the skills, experience and qualifications to apply for general registration with the [Psychology Board of Australia \(PsyBA\)](https://www.psychologyboard.gov.au) with a practice endorsement in Clinical Psychology upon completion of a registrar program.

The Doctor of Psychology (Clinical) provides you with opportunities to explore interrelated streams of theory, research and clinical practice. Gain the skills, experience and qualifications to apply for general registration with the [Psychology Board of Australia \(PsyBA\)](https://www.psychologyboard.gov.au) with a practice endorsement in Clinical Psychology upon completion of a registrar program. Transition from student to

clinical psychologist within a supportive environment, gaining valuable hands-on experience within our purpose-built facilities. Our focus on experiential learning and reflective practice, paired with extensive clinical placements with industry partners in public mental health and community agencies, builds and refines your skills in helping individuals with complex mental health challenges.

Course entry requirements

Applicants for the Indigenous Entry Stream must:

- be an Indigenous Australian AND provide confirmation of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Identity from their community; AND
- meet the entry requirements for their course/s of interest.

For more information, including details regarding specific course entry requirements, please visit deakin.edu.au/course/master-clinical-psychology-post-registration, deakin.edu.au/course/master-psychology-clinical and/or deakin.edu.au/course/doctor-psychology-clinical.

HOW TO APPLY

If you are interested in applying for the Indigenous Entry Stream, please ensure you complete **“Part B: Application for Entry”** and submit it via email to the School of Psychology at psych-prof-programs@deakin.edu.au with the subject heading *‘Indigenous Entry Stream’*, for consideration. ***Please ensure that you keep a copy of your application for your records.***

There are four parts to your application, including:

1. Evidence of your ability to meet the entry requirements for your course/s of interest
2. A resumé/curriculum vitae (CV).
3. A recommendation from one or two people who have supported your journey to postgraduate psychology study.
4. A brief summary of how you came to study clinical psychology and how it aligns with your future hopes and plans.

We will be unable to process your application unless **“Part B: Application for Entry”** is completed in full and all supporting documentation has been received. We advise you to use the **CHECKLIST provided in SECTION 8** of the form to ensure all required supporting documentation is submitted during the application process. Sighting of original documents may be requested upon successful application.

We will contact you via email regarding your application, so please ensure you provide us with a current email address.

If you have any questions regarding your application, please direct your enquiry to the School of Psychology at psych-prof-programs@deakin.edu.au. Just put **‘Indigenous Entry Stream’** in the subject line of your email so it can get to the right person who will be happy to assist and have a yarn with you.

PRIVACY INFORMATION

Deakin University is collecting your personal information for the primary purpose of assessing your application. As part of the selection process, Deakin will disclose your personal information only to the extent necessary to verify your qualifications or experience. If your application is successful, on admission into Deakin, the personal information collected in the application process will form part of your student record and will be managed in accordance with Deakin's Privacy Policy. Deakin manages personal information it holds, including requests by individuals for access to their personal information, in accordance with the Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014 (Vic) and the Health Records Act 2001 (Vic).

Deakin's [Privacy Policy](https://policy.deakin.edu.au) may be viewed at the Deakin Policy Library – policy.deakin.edu.au.

For further information on privacy at Deakin, please visit [privacy](https://privacy.deakin.edu.au) or email privacy@deakin.edu.au.



Part B: Application for Entry

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SECTION 1: PERSONAL DETAILS

Title:				Surname:			
	(Dr./Mr./Mrs./Ms.)						
Given Name(s):				Preferred Name:			
Other Names:							
Date of Birth:							
	(DD/MM/YYYY)						
Gender:	☐ Man ☐ Woman ☐ Non-binary ☐ Prefer not to answer ☐ Other: _____						
Residential Address:	Number & Street Name						
	Suburb/Town		State		Postcode		
Is this the same as your postal address? (If no, please provide below) ☐ Yes ☐ No							
Postal address:	Number & Street Name						
	Suburb/Town		State		Postcode		
Phone:	Home (Include Area Code)		Work (Include Area Code)		Mobile		
Email:							

INDIGENOUS IDENTITY

Are you an *Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person*?

☐ Yes, I am Aboriginal ☐ Yes, I am Torres Strait Islander ☐ Yes, I am both an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person.

AND

☐ I am accepted as such by the community in which I currently live.

OR

☐ I am accepted as such by the community in which I lived previously for years.

Please see “Section 5: Referees and Supporting Information”.

COUNTRY OR BIRTH AND CITIZENSHIP

Country of Birth:			
☐ I am an Australian citizen	☐ I am an Australian Permanent Resident		

SECTION 2: COURSE OF INTEREST

Please indicate which course/s you wish to apply for:

- ☐ Master of Clinical Psychology (Post Registration)
- ☐ Master of Psychology (Clinical)
- ☐ Doctor of Psychology (Clinical)

If you are applying for the Master of Clinical Psychology (Post Registration) please provide your Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) registration number in the space provided below.

AHPRA registration number: _____

SECTION 3: EDUCATION

Please attach official academic transcript(s) for the degree/s you have completed and/or partially completed.

If the degree includes credit given for previous studies, you should include official academic transcript(s) from the relevant institution(s), listing those studies.

SECTION 4: EMPLOYMENT/WORK EXPERIENCE

Please attach a copy of your resumé/curriculum vitae (CV).

Please list employment and/or work experience that is relevant to your application.

SECTION 5: REFEREES AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Please provide a statement of recommendation from one or two people who support your application to study postgraduate clinical psychology at Deakin. If you choose to provide one statement of recommendation, please do so using Section 5.1 below. If you choose to provide a second statement of recommendation, please ensure you also complete Section 5.2.

Note: Whether you provide a recommendation from one or two people won't impact the status of your application. The recommendation or recommendations will be assessed as an integrated whole.

SECTION 5.1: ABORIGINAL OR TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMUNITY REFEREE

Your Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander heritage is something that is personal to you. You do not need a document to identify as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person. However, to access specific programs, services or opportunities available to Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander persons within the University, applicants will need to establish Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander eligibility, by including a Confirmation of Aboriginality with your application.

Please provide a letter of recommendation from an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person (who is not a family member), who can best speak about your community involvement and contribution. This may be a member of the community in which you currently live, or have previously lived.

Please attach your letter of recommendation to your application headed "Section 5.1: Community Referee".

If the person you have contacted to provide a letter of recommendation wish to speak with us instead, please provide their contact details below and we will reach out to them for a yarn.

Title:	_____	Surname:	_____
	(Dr./Mr./Mrs./Ms.)		
Given Name(s):	_____	Preferred Name:	_____
Email:	_____		
Phone:	_____		
	Home (Include Area Code)	Work (Include Area Code)	Mobile

SECTION 5.2: ADDITIONAL REFEREE (OPTIONAL)

If you wish to provide a second (optional) referee, please ***attach your letter of recommendation to your application headed "Section 5.2: Additional Referee (Optional)".***

SECTION 6: MOTIVATION AND INTEREST IN PSYCHOLOGY

Please write a short statement (approximately 300 – 500 words) to share with us how you came to apply to study clinical psychology with Deakin and how it aligns with your future hopes and aspirations. Please use the space provided below. You may also like to share aspects of your story via art or other forms that represent it in a way that feels right for you.

If you need more space, please attach extra pages headed "Section 6: Motivation and Interest in Psychology".

SECTION 7: DECLARATION AND AGREEMENT STATEMENT

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge, the information I have supplied in this application and the documentation supporting it is correct and complete. Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence under the *Criminal Code Act 1995* (Cth).

1. I authorise Deakin University to obtain relevant information about me to support this application from educational and other sources as required.
2. I will provide original documentation as required and acknowledge the provision of incorrect information or documentation or the withholding of relevant information or documentation relating to this application may result in cancellation of any offer of enrolment or actual enrolment by Deakin University.
3. Where records of prior study have been provided in support of my application, I authorise Deakin University to conduct a search and retrieval of my academic record from my previous institution/s to verify the information contained in my application.
4. I agree to abide by the Statutes, Rules and Regulations of the University.
5. I have read and understood information relating to the Master of Clinical Psychology (Post Registration), Master of Psychology (Clinical) and/or Doctor of Psychology programs, and the admission procedures, fees, refund policy and privacy policies.
6. I acknowledge that if my application is successful, I may be required to supply further documentary evidence to substantiate information supplied in this application.
7. I have read, understood and agree to the Declaration and Agreement Statement.

Signature of applicant: _____

Date: _____

SECTION 8: CHECKLIST

Please provide all supporting documents for your application. All supporting documents **must** be provided electronically. Please note that Deakin University may require original documents to be sighted upon successful interview.

If your name has changed, please make sure that the name used in your application form is also included on all of your supporting documents.

As a reminder:

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| • Official Academic Transcripts (<i>to support Section 3</i>) | ☐ Yes | ☐ No |
| • Résumé/Curriculum Vitae (CV) (<i>to support Section 4</i>) | ☐ Yes | ☐ No |
| • Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Community Referee (<i>to support Section 5.1</i>) | ☐ Yes | ☐ No |
| • Additional Referee (Optional) (<i>to support Section 5.2</i>) | ☐ Yes | ☐ No |
| • Additional pages if required (<i>to support Section 6</i>) | ☐ Yes | ☐ No |
| • Signed the declaration and agreement statement (<i>see Section 7</i>) | ☐ Yes | ☐ No |

****NB: Electronic signature is acceptable.**

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