

H951 Doctor of Psychology (Clinical)

Application checklist

Melbourne Burwood Campus



You must provide all of the following documents and/or information when applying through the [Application Portal](#).

- ☐ Personal statement
- ☐ Curriculum vitae
- ☐ Casper test
- ☐ Academic transcripts
- ☐ Academic referee reports

If relevant:

- ☐ Proof of intermission or changes in candidature if previously enrolled in a Master or Doctoral program.
- ☐ English language (if relevant)
- ☐ Proof of name changes, e.g. marriage certificate (if relevant)

Personal statement

Address the following points in your personal statement (1 page maximum, single spaced, 11-point font):

- Include your full name and the name of the course you are applying for at the top (**your statement should be specific to the course you are applying for**)
- a positioning statement regarding your interest in clinical psychology as a discipline
- relevant work experience (specifying paid vs volunteer), with a brief explanation of how these experiences have prepared you for clinical psychology and higher degree by research training;
- relevance of Deakin's clinical psychology post-graduate program to your specific aspirations and circumstances.

Curriculum vitae

Provide a complete summary of your previous roles and responsibilities, both paid and volunteer.

Casper test

- Casper is an online, open-response situational judgement test that takes 65-85 minutes to complete.
- Casper measures different personal and professional skills that we believe are important for successful students and graduates of our program. It will complement the other tools we use for applicant review and evaluation, and we require Casper as part of our efforts to enhance fairness in our selection process.
- **To learn more about the Casper test and how we use this in our admissions process please read more [here](#).**
- Visit the [Casper website](#) to find out more and reserve your place in an upcoming test – be sure to choose School of Psychology Deakin University when registering to take the test and please note there is a cost to complete.

Academic transcripts

Provide transcripts of all your tertiary education studies.

- If you are currently enrolled in your fourth-year studies, we require your incomplete academic transcript.
- The transcript should contain the name of the qualification, the institution of enrolment, the years of study, the subjects / units undertaken, the grades achieved, explanatory notes concerning the grades, and proof that the qualification has been completed.
- Deakin applicants are not required to provide certified Deakin academic transcripts; however, certified identity documents are still required. Non-Deakin applicants must provide certified copies of all required supporting documents.
- If you have studied in a country other than Australia or another English-speaking country, check if you meet [Deakin's English language requirements](#).
- Applicants with an international qualification must obtain an assessment from the [Assessment of overseas qualifications | APS](#) prior to applying for this course to confirm the level at which their qualifications are comparable to an Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC) sequence of study in Psychology. Please note, there is a charge for this service. Further, if your academic documents are not in English, please provide a translated version.

Academic referee report

To provide your referee reports, you will need have an active subscription to the [Psychology Reference Portal](#). This referee system is used across universities.

- Reports from two referees are required to assist the University in assessing the standard of your previous academic achievements and your potential to undertake research.
- Where a second academic referee cannot be sought, a professional referee may be suitable if they are in the position to respond to the criteria assessed in the referee reports.
- It is recommended that you request references from current or former lecturers/supervisors.
- References are confidential; therefore, you will not be able to view the content of the reference and we are unable to provide a copy of the completed reference/s for any student.

Intermission or changes in candidature

If you've studied at another institution in a Masters or Doctoral program, provide evidence with the commencement date and any intermission or changes of candidature status.