

# MASTER OF PSYCHOLOGY

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## A Message From **Professor Tony Paolini,** President and CEO

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As you embark on this exciting journey of higher education in the field of psychology, we'd be thrilled to have you join our community of passionate learners and educators.

State-of-the-art technology combined with our extensive facilities ensures that our student experience is accessible, engaging, and constantly evolving.

As you consider taking the next step in your career and advancing your education with us, know that our dedicated staff is here to guide you every step of the way. We are excited about the opportunities that await you at ISN Psychology and look forward to witnessing your growth and achievements.

Our broad psychology network and clinical facilities provide invaluable face-to-face skill-based practical training and placements. All of our courses are APAC accredited, and we have an unwavering commitment to maintaining the highest standards of education and practice.

We respectfully acknowledge the traditional owners of the land in which ISN operates, the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin Nation, and pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

Creating **thriving minds**  
for an **evolving world**

## Why Choose ISN Psychology?

We're a TEQSA approved Institute of Higher Education dedicated to fostering thriving minds in an evolving world. We're committed to advancing the field of psychology through comprehensive education, innovative research, and creating an academic experience that caters to the diverse needs of our students. We offer face-to-face onsite coursework at our Ivanhoe campus and new Sydney facility as well as a dynamic mix of pre-recorded and live-online options.

At ISN we believe that learning extends beyond the classroom.

Through our extensive clinical facilities and broader psychology network our students gain bleeding edge practical training and placements, equipping them with the skills they need to excel in their careers.

The ISN team includes internationally recognised neuroscientists, experienced clinicians who have worked in a range of public and private settings, and educators who have held leadership roles in both academic and professional settings. They've published numerous peer-reviewed publications collectively, led large research teams, and received significant research funding.

### Comprehensive and Flexible

We utilize the latest technology and have extensive facilities to ensure a holistic learning experience. Our courses are offered with both online and face-to-face onsite coursework teaching options.

### Exceptional Clinical Facilities

Learn from peers of unmatched skill and expertise. We boast a broad psychology network as well as ISN affiliated clinical facilities that provide onsite skill-based practical training and placements.

### APAC Accreditation

Discover, grow, and succeed in your career. Our courses are approved without conditions by APAC, ready to guide you on your journey to becoming an accredited psychologist in Australia.

# Master of **Psychology (Clinical)**

Designed for students who wish to practise as a clinical psychologist, this course provides a robust academic framework supported by practical training in a clinical setting. The program consists of course work, practical placement, and research components.

The second year of the program has a strong focus on integration of clinical skills through additional placements and advanced course units. Students will complete a systematic review as part of the program in a clinically significant area of research.

Course work in the first year of the program will provide students with the groundwork and practice skills needed to commence their first placement, typically at our affiliated ISN Clinic.

This course is accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC).

## **Entry Requirements**

- The minimum requirement for entry is based on academic achievement in an APAC accredited four-year sequence of study in psychology, with the greatest weighting given to the 4th year (Honours or Graduate Diploma).
- Applicants must have completed an APAC accredited 4th year of study and be eligible to register as a provisional psychologist with the Psychology Board of Australia (PsyBA) to be considered for entry.
- Entry into the course is competitive, and requires consideration of academic results, relevant experience and the outcome of interviews/assessments.
- Candidates must meet minimum English language proficiency standards for entry to the Master of Psychology (Clinical) course and must also be able to abide by the inherent requirements stipulated by ISN Psychology.
- Applicants who can demonstrate that they are currently registered as a psychologist and complying with the CPD requirements of the Registration Board will be exempted from the aforementioned entry requirements and considered for entry into the postgraduate course based on experience in the field.
- Domestic students with Australian citizenship or Permanent Residency rights (or New Zealand Citizenship) can apply.

Students who completed their undergraduate studies overseas but meet the domestic student criteria can apply for this course. ISN requires evidence of course equivalence in the form of an APS assessment document for all international qualifications.

## **Career Pathways**

Students in this course are given a wealth of opportunities to hone their skills and develop competencies that will serve them in a number of settings including hospitals, specialist services, government, not-for-profit, schools and education, and private practices.

## **Theory into Practice**

Students who graduate from this course will be eligible for general registration as a psychologist through AHPRA and the Psychology Board of Australia, upon which they can commence a registrar program towards endorsement as a clinical psychologist.



## Phase One

Domestic student status and academic entry requirements from applicants will be reviewed. The only accepted results come from an APAC accredited four-year sequence of study in psychology. The greatest weighting is given to the fourth year, and students must be eligible to register as a provisional psychologist with the Psychology Board of Australia (PsyBA).

## Phase Two

Candidates that meet phase one entry requirements will be ranked based on academic ability and all supporting documentation including CVs, personal statements, and referee reports.

## Phase Three

Select candidates will be shortlisted, and interviews and/or assessments will be conducted with those shortlisted candidates through the ISN Psychology admission selection panel.

## Phase Four

Candidates that have successfully completed their selection interviews and assessments will be ranked based on their performance in those interviews and assessments.

## Phase Five

Selected candidates will have their official offer of enrolment sent out based on final rankings throughout the phase process and yearly intake quotas.

## Selection Process

Admission to this course is competitive.

We consider academic achievement, relevant experience, and interview/assessment outcomes. Prospective students are required to submit a 500-word personal statement outlining the following;

- Why you are interested in a clinical psychology program;
- Why you are applying for clinical psychology rather than another health discipline or scope of practice;
- What makes you a suitable candidate;
- Any particular psychology interests or passions you may have;
- Your relevant skills, work and personal experiences; and
- A diversity statement – that is, describe what professional or personal skills, experience or community engagement demonstrate your commitment to sensitivity and awareness of diversity issues (e.g. gender, culture, ethnicity, sexuality, etc.).

The selection process is a five phase process that includes academic reviews, candidate ranking, interviews/assessments, and final offers based on merit and intake capacity.

## Tuition and Course Structure

This Master course consists of 17 core units, designed around a full-time study load of two years including four 12 week semesters. Each unit is informed by cutting-edge best practice and taught, whenever possible, in a contemporary hybrid model combining online and in-person learning.

Of those core units three focus on the completion of a systematic review in the form of a student research project, and three units prepare students for work as a clinical psychologist through in-clinic placements.

Tuition fees are payable upfront or through FEE HELP for eligible students. All fees are subject to annual CPI increases, and the fees shown in this guidebook reflect the tuition for 2024 and may not be accurate to years following. Year on year fee increases will be indicated on the ISN Psychology website.

For more information about tuition fees please visit our website, [isn.edu.au](http://isn.edu.au) or contact us on (03) 9008 1600.

# Year One

## Semester One

Ethics and Professional Issues	ISNP2201	\$3 862
Introduction to CBT	ISNP2206	\$3 862
Psychopathology and Pharmacology	ISNP2203	\$3 862
Principals of Psychotherapy and Basic Counseling Skills	ISNP2204	\$3 862
Psychological Assessment	ISNP2205	\$3 862

## Semester Two

Evidence Based Practice	ISNP2202	\$3 862
Placement 1	ISNP2209	\$3 862
Adult Interventions 1	ISNP2210	\$3 862
Research Project 1	ISNP2211	\$3 862
Assessment and Intervention with Children and Adolescents	ISNP2212	\$3 862

TOTAL AUD \$38 620

# Year Two

## Semester One

Placement 2 (Clinical)	ISNP2215	\$7 724
Research Project 2	ISNP2218	\$3 862
Clinical Health Psychology	ISNP2219	\$3 862
Advanced Interventions	ISNP2220	\$3 862

## Semester Two

Placement 3 (Clinical)	ISNP2221	\$7 724
Adult Interventions 2	ISNP2223	\$3 862
Research Project 3	ISNP2224	\$7 724

TOTAL AUD \$38 620

COURSE TOTAL AUD \$77 240

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