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Psychological Sciences (Conversion) MSc **online**





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Why Brunel?

Since the 1960s, we've been teaching psychology and creating a legacy of world-leading research that benefits students and society at large. At Brunel you'll be part of something bigger – accessing and contributing to a database of knowledge that changes the way we see and think, and which broadens our understanding of the human mind. Our aim is to equip you for the world of work and to address society's challenges on a global scale.

We're placed in the top 20 universities worldwide (4th in the UK) for international outlook (Times Higher Education World University Ranking 2023).

Essential information



Start dates

January,
May,
September



Location

Online



Duration

1 year full-time,
2 years part-time



Fees

£11,675

A degree for enquiring minds. A career path with diverse opportunities.

The Psychological Sciences (Conversion) MSc online has been created for students and working professionals from non-psychology backgrounds, who want to gain a comprehensive understanding of the practical applications of psychological sciences and their impact on society.

As a graduate, you'll have acquired important transferable skills at an advanced level, such as research design, data analysis, and report preparation, whilst also building a solid basis to pursue a career as a professional psychologist through further study within the discipline (e.g. PhD, ClinPsyD, DEdPsy).

This online master's in psychology is accredited by the British Psychological Society (BPS), which means that you will be eligible for Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC) from the BPS after graduation, essential for pursuing a career in recognised psychology professions.

This fully online course has an active learning and research-led approach, and gives you the opportunity to study with Brunel from anywhere in the world.



This conversion course has been tailored to provide you with a firm foundation in core psychology theory, research methods and statistics. Following this, you can pursue areas of particular interest in your dissertation.



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psychological society
accredited conversion award



Whether you're looking for a career change or to pursue an interest in psychology, the Psychological Sciences (Conversion) MSc online provides you an opportunity to gain a grounding in core areas of this subject area. The online course allows you to study from wherever you are located in the world and fit your studies around other obligations. I hope to welcome you to our community soon.

Dr Susan Iacovou

*Programme Director MSc (Online)
Psychological Sciences*

Modules

Introduction to Psychological Science

This introductory module looks at the principles and scientific foundations of psychology, including the development of psychology as an academic discipline and the main research methodologies used in psychological research.

Qualitative Research Methods in Psychology

Learning the basis of systematic qualitative research, you'll examine the techniques for selecting and applying the latest techniques to address research questions and critically assess published findings.

Historical and Conceptual Issues in Psychology

This module provides a historical overview of the development of psychology as a scientific discipline, from the Greek philosophers to the emergence of modern psychology as a science. You will utilise a variety of research sources.

Social Psychology

This module explores the concepts of attribution, the self, close relationships, aggression, conformity, persuasion, leadership, and prejudice. You'll also study debates around social cognition, social influence, and social relationships.

Cognitive Psychology

Over the course of this module you'll be introduced to different aspects of human cognition such as perception, attention, memory, and language, as well as to the main techniques used to study cognition.

Research Methods and Statistics in Psychology

You will learn the techniques needed to select and apply statistical tests to your research data, how to evaluate the findings of published studies, and how your scientific findings can be best presented in writing.

Modules

Developmental Psychology

This module explores childhood, adolescence and life-span development. Students will learn about the development of attachment and social relations and examine cognitive and language development.

Individual Differences

This module provides an overview of personality psychology. You'll examine psychological testing and intelligence, explore issues concerning mental health and learn about aspects of personality including emotion, motivation, and mood.

Biological Psychology

This module covers the biological bases of normal behaviour, the behavioural consequences of brain damage and the methods of studying brain function and dysfunction.

Empirical Psychology Project

In the final research project phase of the course, you'll carry out independent empirical research under supervision from your course supervisor, including defining a research problem and presenting your findings effectively.



Life online with Brunel



Gain globally sought-after skills

Developed by experts in the psychological sciences, the course equips you with the skills sought by leading profit and non-profit organisations around the world.



Study from anywhere in the world

Geography is no longer a barrier to a world-class education. You can attain your MSc entirely online while travelling or working.



Diverse career options

Graduates of the course are equipped to enter a wide range of careers in media, marketing, HR, law enforcement, government, health, education, and more.



Fit your study around your life

No more juggling work or family commitments because of your academic obligations. You can access our online platform anytime, anywhere.



Networking opportunities

Studying online, you'll get to meet fellow students, professionals, and academics worldwide - building connections through the course that will last a lifetime.



Learn entirely online

Without leaving your country or career, you will study fully online with all of the support, resources, and energy of a campus programme.

Upon successful completion of this programme you will have achieved the following learning objectives:



Understand the scope of psychology and acquire knowledge of historical and contemporary perspectives in the discipline.



Understand how to critically evaluate the results of empirical research in psychology.



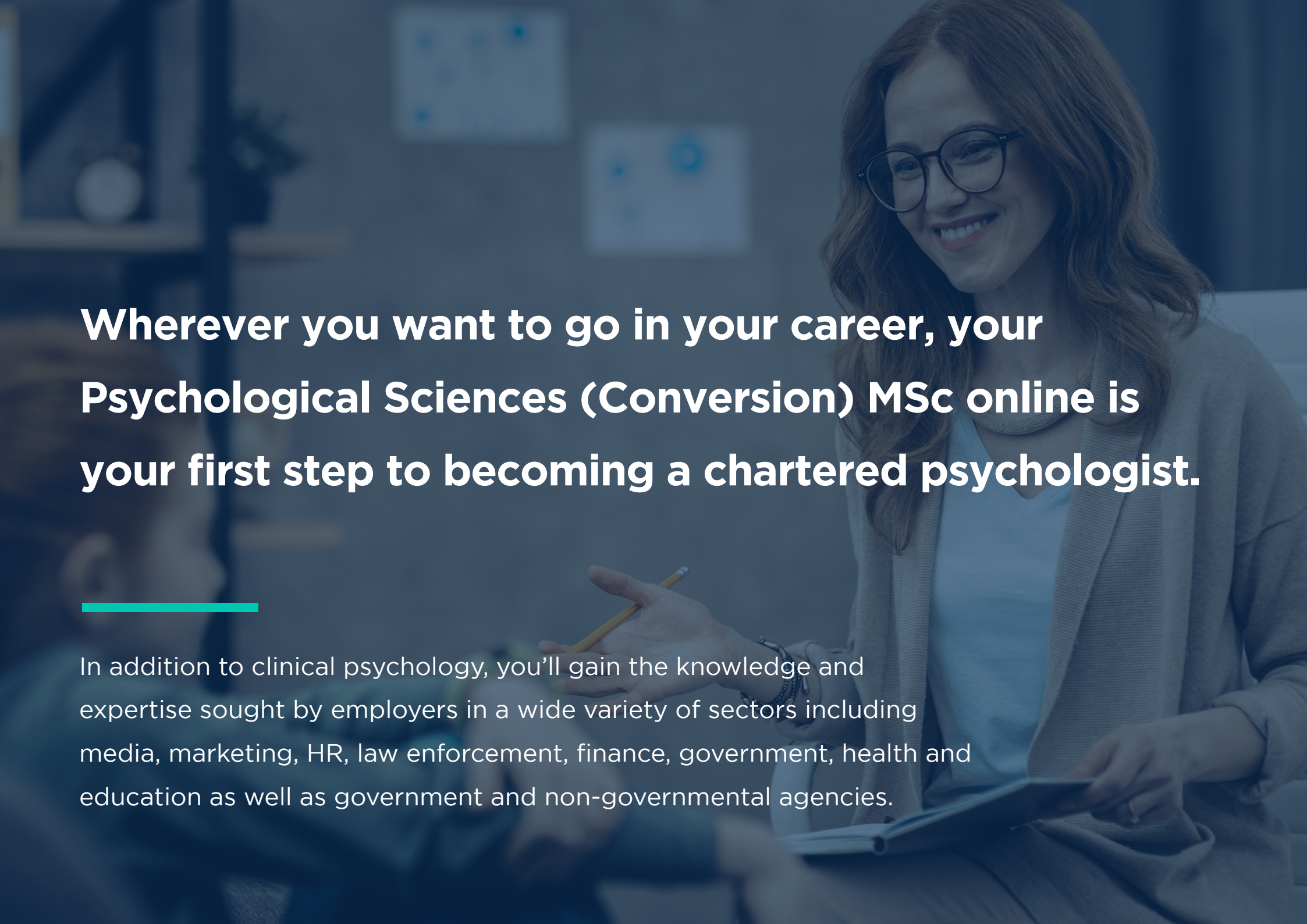
Appreciate the range of historical and contemporary perspectives in psychology.



Demonstrate the ability to develop, analyse, and interpret theory-derived, testable hypotheses and research questions.



Achieve proficiency in analytical skills required to design research and interpret results.



Wherever you want to go in your career, your Psychological Sciences (Conversion) MSc online is your first step to becoming a chartered psychologist.

In addition to clinical psychology, you'll gain the knowledge and expertise sought by employers in a wide variety of sectors including media, marketing, HR, law enforcement, finance, government, health and education as well as government and non-governmental agencies.

Entry requirements

Academic entry requirements

- A UK first or second class (2:2) Honours degree, or equivalent internationally recognised qualification in any subject.
- Applicants will be required to show evidence of GCSE grade C (or grade 4) (or equivalent) in Maths.
- Applicants with other degrees and subjects, with relevant work experience, will be considered on an individual basis.

English language requirements

Students who are non-native speakers of English must be able to demonstrate that their English language ability is sufficient before starting the course, such as at least 6.5 overall in the IELTS with no less than 6 in any one component, or an equivalent English Language qualification.

Application documents

- #1 A completed application form
- #2 Scanned copies of your education certificates and transcripts
- #3 Your CV/résumé in English
- #4 Proof of English proficiency



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