Postgraduate Admissions Statement

MSc Education (Psychology of Education)

Programmes covered
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Applicants should also refer to the relevant prospectus entry for further programme details.

This admissions statement should be read in association with the University Admissions Principles and Procedures for Postgraduate Taught Programmes.

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Faculty of Social Sciences and Law

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Admissions cycle
2017

Application process

Online application
All applicants should apply to the Education (MSc) and indicate their desired pathway within the application form.
Applicants should complete the online application form, uploading all required documents directly into the application form. Guidance on uploading documents can be found in the How to Apply FAQs.
Applicants should make every effort to choose the correct programme in the application form by reading the prospectus entry and admissions statements fully. Applicants should contact the relevant Admissions Team if clarification is required.

Application Deadline
There is an application deadline for this programme, which is displayed on the individual programme page within the University course finder.

Required documents
All documents must be translated into English. Degree certificates and transcripts should be certified copies and list subjects taken and grades/degrees achieved. If your degree is not yet complete, please provide transcripts of subjects taken and marks achieved to date. All documents must be uploaded into the online application form unless otherwise noted. Applicants who have already submitted an application can upload additional documents into the ‘Post-submission uploads’ section. You can find information about how to upload documents to your application form in our How to Apply FAQs.
Required documents for this programme are:

- Two references
- Degree certificate(s) from first and subsequent degrees
- Academic transcript(s) from your first and subsequent degrees
- Personal statement
- English language certificates if English is not your native language and your undergraduate degree was not in an English-speaking country (please see the English Language Requirements for a list of English-speaking countries)

**Interviews**

Interviews are not part of the selection process for this programme.

**Correspondence with applicants**

Applicants will normally receive communication via email to the email address used to set up their application form account. Applicants should ensure that this profile email address is kept up-to-date.

**Admissions criteria**

**Academic entry requirements**

An upper second-class undergraduate honours degree (or equivalent) and a minimum of one year’s appropriate professional experience in settings relevant to psychology and education (eg schools, support services for vulnerable young people, special education).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see our [International Office](#) website.

**English language criteria for non-native English speakers**

For applicants whose first language is not English, it is necessary to achieve a minimum score in an approved English language test specified in Profile E of the [University’s English Language Requirements Policy](#).

You can find information about the University of Bristol’s Pre-Sessional English courses at the [Centre for English Language and Foundation Studies](#) website.

**Reference criteria**

Applicants should arrange for referees to provide electronic references, which can be submitted through the online application system. Non-electronic references should be on headed paper, with clear contact details and signed by the person who wrote it. Referees should be familiar with the applicant’s academic work.

**Personal statement criteria**

Please ensure that you clearly and concisely set out your reasons for applying for the pathway. This element of the application is extremely important for us in our decision-making process. This statement should focus carefully on the relationship between your existing qualifications, professional experience, professional development and the role that the pathway you are applying for will play in this.

Statements should address the following questions: Why do you want to undertake this programme? Have you studied psychology previously? If so, at what level? Do you have any experience of working in an educational setting? Do you have any experience of working with individuals with psychological support needs (eg working with people with special educational needs, or within services for drug users)? What are your career plans following completion of the MSc Education (Psychology of Education) programme?

**Additional requirements**

There are no additional requirements for this programme.
Selection process and offers

Selection process

All applications are considered in accordance with the University’s policy on equality and diversity. The University of Bristol upholds the principles of equality and diversity, respect and dignity. Candidates are not discriminated against on the grounds of race, ethnicity, nationality, gender, sexuality, religion or belief, disability, health or age.

All applicants are subject to the entry requirements above. We also pay special attention to your personal statement.

Decisions

Applicants will be notified by email when a decision has been made and decision letters will be available to view and print by logging into their application.

An unconditional offer will be made to successful applicants who have already met the conditions and provided evidence that conditions have been met.

Where academic requirements have not yet been met, successful applicants will receive a conditional offer to meet those requirements.

If there is a deadline by which applicants must accept their offer of admission, this will be stated in the offer letter.

Deferrals

Applicants are able to defer their place for one year, after which applicants will need to reapply.

Deposits

International self-funded students are required to pay a deposit of £1000. You can pay this deposit online at http://bris.ac.uk/online-payments/deposits using a credit or debit card. Alternatively you can pay through our PaytoStudy account at www.bristol.ac.uk/paytostudy. PaytoStudy is an international payment solution which offers competitive exchange rates. Where PaytoStudy has a local bank account, all wire fee charges will be eliminated and you will be able to pay in your local currency to a local bank account.

The deposit is non-transferable and non-refundable except under the circumstances outlined in the International Deposits Refund Policy which is available at http://www.bris.ac.uk/academicregistry/office/policies/idrp.html. You may pay your deposit in advance of meeting the conditions of your offer. If you subsequently fail to meet the conditions attached to your offer and are therefore rejected from your course on academic grounds then a refund will be made to you. To make the payment you will need your student number which you will find in your offer letter.

ATAS

An ATAS certificate is not required.