The Clinical Paediatric Neuropsychology MSc is currently the only paediatric programme in the UK that is accredited by the British Psychological Society (BPS) and students who successfully complete the programme are deemed to have completed the academic components of the BPS professional Qualification in Clinical Paediatric Neuropsychology (QiCN).

Degree summary

You will develop an understanding of the techniques, methods and contemporary findings in the field. You will be trained to interpret clinical case presentations within the context of current scientific findings of developmental brain-behaviour relationships and gain knowledge of the major professional, ethical and service delivery issues in assessment and rehabilitative work.

This programme covers all key areas of the syllabus recommended by the BPS Division of Neuropsychology and draws on the wealth of specialist expertise in neuropsychology within Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children, the UCL Great Ormond Street Institute of Child Health (UCL GOS ICH) and other related neuroscience and psychology departments within UCL. We also invite many external speakers who are international experts within their area of specialism.

UCL GOS ICH has a very close relationship with the Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children and much of its research and teaching is carried out on a joint basis.

The programme is delivered through a combination of lectures, group seminars, video demonstrations and directed self-study time (reading, essay writing, seminar preparations). Assessment is by two essay journal papers of up to 3,000 words each, two commentary papers of up to 1,500 words each and four 90-minute unseen examinations, and the dissertation examined by viva-voce.

Accreditation

The British Psychological Society (BPS) views the QiCN as the ‘gold standard’ for practitioners in clinical neuropsychology and considers that graduates of this MSc have successfully completed the academic components (knowledge and research) of the QiCN.

The third component of the QiCN is practice, which is examined by the BPS. Universities do not currently offer organisation or supervision of the practice dimension in neuropsychology.

Degree structure

Mode: Full-time: 1 year; Part-time: 2 years
Location: London, Bloomsbury

Students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of eight compulsory modules (120 credits) and a research project (60 credits).

A Postgraduate Diploma (120 credits, full time nine months and part-time two years) is offered.

Please note that the list of modules given here is indicative. This information is published a long time in advance of enrolment and module content and availability is subject to change.

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Your career

Employability
The programme provides you with the knowledge and research components required to work as clinical paediatric neuropsychologists in the UK as part of the QICN.
Entry requirements

A minimum of an upper second-class Bachelor’s degree from a UK university or an overseas equivalent. Applicants are required to be qualified clinical or educational psychologists or educational psychologists as recognised by the Health and Care Professions Council.

Applicants with a Psychology BSc but who are not yet clinical or educational psychologists should apply for Applied Paediatric Neuropsychology MSc.

English language proficiency level

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be expected to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

The level of English language proficiency for this programme is: Good. Information about the evidence required, acceptable qualifications and test providers is provided at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements

Your application

Students are advised to apply as early as possible due to competition for places. Those applying for scholarship funding (particularly overseas applicants) should take note of application deadlines.

When we assess your application we would like to learn:

// why you want to study/research Clinical Paediatric Neuropsychology at graduate level
// why you want to study Clinical Paediatric Neuropsychology at UCL
// what particularly attracts you to this programme
// how your academic and professional background meets the demands of this challenging programme
// where you would like to go (professionally) with your degree

Together with essential academic requirements, the personal statement is your opportunity to illustrate whether your reasons for applying to this programme match what the programme will deliver.

There is an application processing fee for this programme of £75 for online applications and £100 for paper applications. Further information can be found at: www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/graduate/taught/application.

FEES AND FUNDING 2019/20 ENTRY

// UK: £11,060 (FT), £5,500 (PT)
// EU: £11,060 (FT), £5,500 (PT)
// Overseas: £25,610 (FT), £12,750 (PT)

The tuition fees shown are for the year indicated above. Fees for subsequent years may increase or otherwise vary. Further information on fee status, fee increases and the fee schedule can be viewed on the UCL Students website.

Full details of funding opportunities can be found on the UCL Scholarships website: www.ucl.ac.uk/scholarships

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All applicants: 26 July 2019

Details on how to apply are available on the website at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/apply

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EU referendum

For up-to-date information relating to specific key questions following the UK’s decision to leave the EU, please refer to www.ucl.ac.uk/brexit