

MA PSYCHOLOGY



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- MA Clinical Psychology
- MA Health Psychology

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ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS:

Admissions to the M.A. Psychology Program: A Bachelor's degree from a fully accredited university, with a minimum of 3.0 GPA in the last 60-90 units of coursework and a B average on the prerequisite courses (or their equivalent)—Elementary Statistics, Introduction to Research Methods, Intermediate Statistics & Research Design and/or Measurement in Psychology, & Abnormal Psychology. Additional pre-requisites for the Clinical track include Personality Psychology and Introduction to Clinical Psychology. Additional prerequisites for those pursuing the Health track include Health Psychology and/or biological psychology. Applicants will also be expected to submit three letters of recommendation (two academic), a personal statement, the Graduate Record Examination Test Scores, a CV/Resume, and a writing sample as evidence of writing competency.

To apply, visit calstate.edu/apply.

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

Fall 2021 application deadline is **March 1, 2021**.

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our program provides students with a solid academic background by giving them an opportunity to complete advanced coursework and further develop their research skills by working closely with a faculty mentor on a research project or thesis. A wide variety of practicum sites are available for students to learn about direct service provision to clients, employees, and patients. The MA Psychology program is designed for students who want to strengthen their academic record in preparation for applying to doctoral programs. Others choose to begin careers in industry, mental health, community agency, and education settings.

M.A. IN CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY

The Clinical Psychology option is designed to meet the professional needs of college graduates who plan careers in community mental health or who are already employed as paraprofessionals and desire to further their education and opportunities for advancement. The student is offered a unique opportunity to obtain solid academic knowledge of clinical psychology coupled with extensive research and supervised experience in the application of such knowledge. Students can earn up to 3 units of credit per semester for directed research (PSY 598) and thesis research (PSY 599).

M.A. IN HEALTH PSYCHOLOGY

The Health Psychology Option will provide students with a solid academic background in health psychology. This specialized track is designed to meet the professional needs of college graduates who plan careers in community mental health and other health care settings such as rehabilitation centers, primary care centers, and hospices. In addition, students enrolled in the Health Psychology Option will learn how to promote wellness in individuals and within organizations, and how to evaluate the effectiveness of prevention and treatment programs. The goal of concentrated study in health psychology is to provide the student with an understanding of the relationships among biological, psychological, and social factors as they interact to influence mental and physical health. This goal is accomplished through an integrated program of coursework and research training. Students can earn up to 3 units of credit per semester for directed research (PSY 598) and six units of thesis research (PSY 599).