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Dear Applicant

ADMISSION TO THE 2027 MASTERS PROGRAMME IN CINICAL PSYCHOLOGY

Thank you for your request for information regarding Masters studies in our Department.

please noted that application to the MA Clinical Psychology degree is dual process. You will need to submit a general application to the University Faculty of Health Sciences office as well as an application to the University's Psychology department. The documents required for each application is different. Please see below.

University Application

It is compulsory for the applicants to use the online application system- please visit the following website htttps://www.mandela.ac.za/study-at-Mandela/Application.

Documents required:

- ☐ Certified copy of your ID
- ☐ Certified copy of matric certificate/school leaving results
- ☐ Certified copies of your Honours/Undergraduate degree certificate(s)
- ☐ Academic record(s) and certificate(s) of conduct from previous institutions (with English translations where required)

☐ Certified copy of marriage certificate (where applicable)

☐ SAQA certificate for qualifications obtained at a non-South-African institute (where applicable)

Department of Psychology Application (All documents to be emailed to maclinpsychapp@mandela.ac.za) Additional documents required

- Referee reports (to be emailed by referee directly to maclinpsychapp@mandela.ac.za)
- U24 (SP5)
- Autobiography information

Please ensure you have all documents ready to upload before starting this process.

Referee Reports:

Please ask 3 people of your choice to act as referees. Two of these should preferably be senior academic staff from a Department of Psychology. If this is not possible, consider using alternative sources for referees such as clinical supervisors that you have worked for on community projects. Friends, family and fellow students are not acceptable as referees. We request that the referees return the completed forms directly to **maclinpsychapp@mandela.ac.za** **by the closing date which is Friday 31 May 2026. Please note that the completion of these referee reports is VERY IMPORTANT.**

NO LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED.

Your application for admission to the Masters programme will only be considered once all documents for both processes (online application plus additional required documents for the Department) have been submitted.

Applicants who qualify for the short list will be eligible to take part in the selection programme which will take place later during 2026. The Department will notify you whether you have been successful or not. Please note that **no personal feedback concerning the process or outcome will be given to applicants after the selections.**

General application guidelines

- Financial Assistance:

The financial cost involved in studying towards a Masters degree is considerable. Therefore we would like to be of assistance to you in your application for a post-graduate bursary. The Research Capacity Development Department of the Nelson Mandela University and the National Research Foundation (NRF) offer bursaries towards Masters Studies in Psychology. Please note that there are closing date to be adhered to, when applying for these bursaries. If you are wanting to apply for a NMU postgraduate bursary, please follow the followinglink:http://researchscholarship.mandela.ac.za/?fbclid=IwAR1-tH6s08MUvdko2yOZiPKI9L3U0JcFGPXt4iRP61ilckedU08MM1seiWc

For more information on NRF bursaries and application processes, please visit their website at www.nrf.ac.za **Please note that the NRF application process is electronic only.**

- Students from other tertiary institutions:

Submit a full academic record and certificate of conduct issued by the institution at which you were registered. This certificate should be available from your Student Records department.

- Students with special needs/disabilities:

The Mandela University strives to ensure that all campus facilities are accessible to students living with special needs/disabilities. For more information on accessibility and how your particular special need/disability can be accommodated, you are advised to contact the Disability Office at (041) 504-2562/2313/4756 or disability@mandela.ac.za as early as possible.

I trust we have given you some idea of what the masters programme in psychology is all about. Should you require any further information please contact Ms Ebonga Maraule at telephone number (041) 504-2354 or fax (041) 504-1734 or e-mail Ebonga.Maraule@mandela.ac.za or contact Dr Angelique McConney at e-mail Angelique.McConney@mandela.ac.za.

Curriculum specific information can be found on our webpage – http://psychology.mandela.ac.za/

Once again thank you for your enquiry and I look forward to receiving your application.

Yours sincerely

Dr Angelique McConney

CHAIRPERSON: MA CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY SELECTION COMMITTEE