

# Master of Professional Psychology



USC Thompson Institute, Semester 1 2023

## Program structure

Required courses (8) 96 units

PSY700 Advanced and Transcultural Counselling  
PSY701 Advanced Psychological Assessment and Reporting  
PSY702 Clinical Psychological Practice 1  
PSY704 Advanced Research Design and Methods  
PSY705 Clinical Psychological Practice 2  
PSY713 Professional Skills 1  
PSY716 Professional Skills 2  
PSY754 Clinical Health Psychology and Psychopharmacology

Note: Program structures are subject to change. Not all UniSC courses are available on every UniSC campus.

**Total units: 96**

## Study sequence

This Master of Professional Psychology Recommended Study Sequence is for students commencing in the current semester.

Semester 1

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (USC THOMPSON INSTITUTE)	UNITS	REQUISITES
PSY701 Advanced Psychological Assessment and Reporting	• Thompson Institute: Semester 1	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR702 or AR703
PSY702 Clinical Psychological Practice 1	• Sunshine Coast: Semester 1	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR507, AR702 or AR703
PSY705 Clinical Psychological Practice 2	• Thompson Institute: Semester 1	12	Co: PSY702 and enrolled in Program AR702, AR703
PSY713 Professional Skills 1	• Thompson Institute: Semester 1	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR507, AR702 or AR703  Co: PSY702

[usc.edu.au/ar702](http://usc.edu.au/ar702)

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## Semester 2

COURSE	SEMESTER OF OFFER (USC THOMPSON INSTITUTE)	UNITS	REQUISITES
PSY700 Advanced and Transcultural Counselling	• Thompson Institute: Semester 2	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR507, AR702 or AR703
PSY704 Advanced Research Design and Methods	• Thompson Institute: Semester 2	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR702 or AR703
PSY716 Professional Skills 2	• Thompson Institute: Semester 2	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR507, AR702 or AR703.  Co: PSY700
PSY754 Clinical Health Psychology and Psychopharmacology	• Thompson Institute: Semester 2	12	Pre: Enrolled in Program AR702, AR703, XP601 or UP601

## Program requirements and notes

In order to graduate you must:

- Successfully complete 96 units as outlined in the Program Structure

### Program notes

- Completing this program within the specified (full-time) duration is based on studying 48 unit points per semester (normally 4 courses) and following the recommended study sequence
- The unit value of all courses is 12 units unless otherwise specified
- It is each student's responsibility to enrol correctly according to your course requisites, program rules and requirements and be aware of the academic calendar dates
- This program consists of two required components, as follows:
  - 75 percent coursework (6 courses)
  - 25 percent practica and skills training (2 courses).
- Students will undertake a minimum of 300 hours of practicum placement in total across the 2 professional skills courses.
- Only a full-time study option is available to international students on a Student visa.

### WIL notes

- It is a Queensland Government requirement that students undertaking a placement within a clinical setting are fit tested annually for an approved respirator. Clinical settings include hospitals, residential aged care facilities, residential disability care facilities, prison health services, youth detention health services, community health care settings, and vaccination clinics). If the Fit Testing requirement applies to placement activity within your Program it will appear in your mandatory checks on Sonia Online. In accordance with Australian Standards, you must be clean shaven for your fit test. Facial hair that lies along the sealing surface of a tight-fitting respirator prevents an effective seal. Therefore, it is a requirement that there is no hair growth between the skin and the facepiece sealing surface in order to achieve a fit. At this stage, there is no exemption in Queensland to this requirement for religious or other reasons and UniSC is unable to waive this requirement.
- Students will undertake a minimum of 300 hours of practicum placement in total across the 2 professional skills courses.
- *It is no longer a requirement that students in Master of Professional Psychology are fully vaccinated against COVID-19.*

*Please note that some placement host organisations have chosen to continue requiring COVID-19 vaccination. If you are not fully vaccinated, it is important to know that placement opportunities in your program may be limited and may result in a delay to your placement.*

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*UniSC still strongly recommends that all students undertaking placement are fully vaccinated and provide evidence of this vaccination status to the University.*

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