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Doctorate in Clinical Psychology Programme



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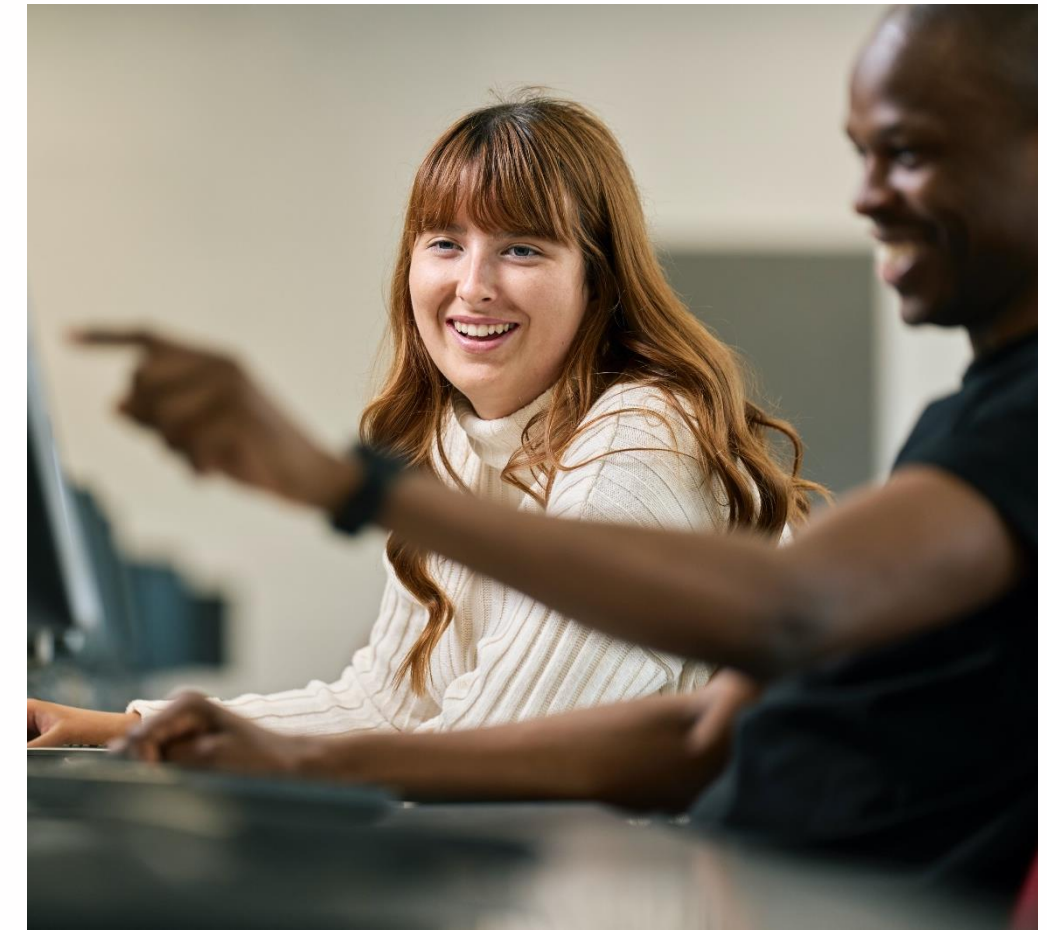
Programme Team

Staff Member	Title	Responsibilities
Alma Greally	Programme Administrator	Timetable Management, Time Sheet and A/L Administration for Trainees, Trainee File Management, Enquiries, Liaison with University Administration, Financial Administration
Anne O'Connor	Deputy Director of Clinical Practice	Clinical Lecturing, Placement Monitoring, PPD, Selection, Supervisor Training
Kiran Sarma	Director of Research	Research Coordination, Clinical Lecturing, Marks and Standards, Examinations Tutor
John Bogue	Programme Director	Clinical Lecturing, Placement Monitoring, Programme Administration, Financial Management, Selection
Jonathan Egan	Director of Clinical Practice & Deputy Director	Clinical Lecturing, Placement Planning, Placement Monitoring, Supervisor Training,
Brian McGuire	Professor of Clinical Psychology	Clinical Lecturing, Placement Monitoring, Academic Coordinator



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Course Philosophy



- **Reflective Scientist Practitioner**
- **Eclectic mixture of theoretical models and therapeutic approaches but emphasis on CBT and other evidence-based approaches.**

Course Structure

The course runs on a full-time basis over three calendar years and includes three inter-related elements:

Approx. 100 days academic coursework comprised of main teaching blocks and smaller mid-placement teaching blocks

Approx. 400 days of supervised clinical practice over three year

Three core placements (approx. 10 months x Child, 7 months x Adult, 8 months x ID) and one 6 month elective placement

Approx. 200 days research activity – 1 day per week for study/research each year, research teaching and dedicated thesis write up time in Year 3.





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Core learning across all blocks

- **Psychological Assessment**
- **Psychological Disorders**
- **Psychological Intervention**
- **Psychological Research Methods**
- **Current Topics in Clinical Psychology**
- **Personal and Professional Development**



Academic Blocks

YEAR 1

Child, Adolescent and Family clinical psychology

Advanced issues in Child and Family clinical psychology

Research Skills

YEAR 2

Adult Clinical Psychology

Intellectual Disability

Research Skills

YEAR 3

Intellectual Disability, Older Adults, Neuropsychology, Forensic Psychology, Health Psychology, Professional Issues, Advanced Topics, Research Skills



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Research Component

Lectures and workshops on methodology, statistics and computing

Quantitative Small Scale Research Project in Year 1

Either

a Qualitative Small Scale Research Project *Or* a Systematic Review in Year 2

A research thesis (max 30,000 words) that includes a journal article in the field of clinical psychology.





Supervised Clinical Practice

1. Child and adolescent clinical psychology – c.38 weeks
2. Adult clinical psychology – c. 28 weeks
3. Learning disability – c. 30 weeks
4. Elective/Advanced Placement – c. 25 weeks



Sorry..we couldn't resist this! 😊





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Selection Process

For details on how to apply:

www.universityofgalway.ie/courses/how-to-apply/

Closing date – see webpage (usually early to mid January)

Combined selection process with University of Limerick

1. Group Exercise
2. Panel Interview
3. Written Assignment
4. Completion of any necessary documentation required by HSE

Interview dates: **TBC**

Interviews may need to be conducted via video link depending on public health protocols in place.

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Doctor of Psychological Science – *Entry Criteria*

Honours Degree in Psychology (or Postgraduate Higher Diploma in Psychology) of at least **Upper Second-Class Honours (2H1)** level which confers eligibility for Graduate Membership of PSI

Applications may be considered from candidates with a 2.2 level Honours degree in Psychology (or Postgraduate Higher Diploma in Psychology) only under exceptional circumstances (e.g. PhD).

Proof of eligibility for graduate membership of either Psychological Society of Ireland or British Psychological Society is always required in the case of qualifications obtained outside the Republic of Ireland or Northern Ireland. Your application will not be considered without this.

In previous years, most successful applicants have had **at least** 12 months FTE relevant experience as an assistant psychologist, research assistant or similar.





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Important Information

You must be an EU/EEA citizen or have proof of entitlement to work in the Republic of Ireland if you are not an EU/EEA citizen.

If you obtained your qualification in psychology outside the Republic of Ireland or Northern Ireland you need to show that you are eligible for graduate membership of PSI or BPS.

Ten or twelve funded places are usually available each year. This number may increase from time to time depending on funding availability.

Trainees who are funded by the HSE receive a salary of €32,185 - €39,525 and 60% of fees paid. Fees are normally €13,085 PA.

We do not accept self-funded applicants at present.

Garda/Police vetting is required

Very Important Information !!!

Places are currently funded by HSE West - You must be prepared to complete the majority of your placements within the entire HSE West area depending upon availability. This is a very big region!

You may get little or no choice regarding placement location as placement availability is currently a major issue for all clinical psychology training programmes.

Placement locations are diverse and many placements will not be within easy commuting distance of University of Galway.

Please think carefully about whether or not you can commit to this beforehand!

Do you have a full driving licence and access to a vehicle?





Desirable Qualities

Academic ability

Interpersonal skills

Maturity

Research capacity

Relevant work experience

“Psychological mindedness”

Good References



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Standing out from the crowd

Immerse yourself in any and all aspects of psychology

Attend training courses

Join student psychology committees

Get involved with PSI

Present at conferences

Write psychology articles

Publish your research

Get involved in activities that enable you to apply your psychology knowledge





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Thank you



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