

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING APPLICATION FORMS

Graduate Studies in the Department of Psychology, Concordia University, Montreal

Application deadline

The deadline for applications is December 15 for entry into the program the following September.

Applications are submitted online at <https://welcome.concordia.ca/concordia/indexgrad.jsp>

Information

The Department of Psychology's website is <http://psychology.concordia.ca/>

Transcripts

Transcripts submitted online by attachment are considered to be unofficial. For applications to be considered complete, one copy of official transcripts from all universities previously attended or currently attended must be sent directly by the institution to the Graduate Admissions Application Centre. Other documents associated with the application are to be sent to one of the addresses indicated under the "Attach Documents" tab of the online application. Official translations are required if the transcript and proof of degree are not in English or French.

Graduate Record Examination

While it is strongly recommended that applicants submit GRE scores (both General and Subject), it is optional to do so. The Concordia code for submission of GRE scores is 0956. Applicants intending to write the GRE should do so no later than December, and preferably in October, in order for their scores to reach us by the application deadline.

Instructions

1. Specification of degree. When requested on the application forms, specify the degree program for which you are applying. Students with B.A. or B.Sc. degrees, or who are about to complete them, should indicate that they are applying for the M.A. program. Students with M.A. or M.Sc. degrees, or who are about to complete them, should indicate that they are applying for the Ph.D. program. Students should also indicate whether they wish to follow the General Profile or the Clinical Profile.

2. Statement of Purpose. You are required to write a 1500 word statement of purpose. Your personal statement should include specific information concerning your research and academic interests and career goals. Because compatibility of student and faculty research interests is an important admissions consideration, your research experience and research interests should be described in detail. Please upload this document with your online application under the "Attach Documents" tab of the online application.

3. Potential Supervisors. All applicants to the graduate programs in Psychology are required to indicate at least one faculty member with whom they would like to work as part of their graduate research training. If you choose to indicate more than one potential research supervisor please list them in order of preference. The names of faculty are specified in drop-down lists that are accessible after you have chosen your program under the "Graduate Program" tab of the online application. Descriptions of the research interests of individual faculty members are presented in the Departmental website. If you are interested in working with a member of the Psychology faculty who is not included in this list, please contact the Graduate Program Assistant at 848-2424 x2205.

4. Area of Interest. Research areas that you are interested in are another means for us to match faculty with potential students. Please indicate one to five research areas that are appropriate.

The names of research areas are specified in drop-down lists that are accessible after you have chosen your program under the “Graduate Program” tab of the online application.

5. Summary of Psychology Background. Be sure to complete the Summary of Psychology Background form as part of the online application.

6. Academic Assessment Form. You must ask three referees to each complete an Academic Assessment form. Your referees must also include a letter that explains their evaluations of you. It is not sufficient for your referees to complete only the checklist; be sure to remind them to also include a letter. The Academic Assessment Form is located under the “References” tab of the online application. Please print and fill-out the top portion of the form and give it to your referees. They will then mail the completed form and letter to the University at the address indicated on the form.

7. Supplemental Letters of Reference. Applicants who are applying for training through the Clinical Profile must ask each of their three referees to complete a Supplemental Letter of Recommendation. The link to this file is available under the “References” tab of the online application. Please provide your referees with a print-out of this form. They will mail it to the University together with the standard Academic Assessment Form. Note that this supplemental letter of reference is only required for applicants to the Clinical Profile.