Programme overview
The Master of Science Programme in Psychology comprises a total of 120 higher education credits, including a Master’s thesis of 30 credits. The programme provides specialisation and breadth in the field of psychology. The aim of the programme is to provide you with a Master’s degree firmly based in current research and to offer broad career opportunities. Within the programme, you have the possibility of selecting courses of your own interest. Please note that the programme does not lead to a licence as a clinical psychologist.

The first semester focuses on theoretical and practical tools for psychology. The students get grounding in philosophy of psychology and cognitive science, which encompasses both current areas like embodied and extended cognition as well as the enduring questions about free will, consciousness and the role of folk psychology. Students participate in day labs with prominent researchers in different subfields, getting hands-on experience with the range of research methods used in the department. Students will also learn advanced methods and statistics, including Bayesian statistics.

In the second semester students can choose between the courses Developmental and Personality Psychology or Social Psychology. The third semester students can choose between the courses Cognitive and Neuro Psychology or Work and Organisational Psychology. These courses increase the students’ understanding and knowledge of psychology through deepening their comprehension of theories and current research and also include elements of practical research experience.

During the fourth and last semester students complete the programme by writing a Master’s thesis, where students will demonstrate and enhance their understanding of theories and empirical research methods.

Special features of this programme
• Advanced methodology and statistics courses
• Flexible structure, elective courses
• Option to write your Master’s thesis as part of cutting-edge research projects

Programme modules/courses
COURSES AND NUMBER OF CREDITS: Theory and Practice of Science in Psychology (15), Advanced Scientific Methods in Psychology (15), Developmental and Personality Psychology I (15) or Social Psychology I (15), Developmental and Personality Psychology II (15) or Social Psychology II (15), Cognitive and Neuro Psychology I (15) or Work and Organisational Psychology I (15), Cognitive and Neuro Psychology II (15) or Work and Organisational Psychology II (15). Master’s degree thesis (30).

Career prospects
A Master’s degree in psychology is an excellent foundation for further research within the different fields of psychology. Other common career options are within the areas of qualified investigative work, HR or health. You could also work with organisational issues, change management, communication and rehabilitation or be self-employed.

“I have now finished my first year of the Master’s programme and I feel happy with my choice. The programme is great for those who are looking to be involved in research or have a clear vision of what they would like to study within psychology.”
Caroline Adolfsson, from USA
Entry requirements and how to apply

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A Bachelor’s degree with a major in psychology including at least 15 credits of psychological research methods and statistics. English 6/English Course B. See www.lunduniversity.lu.se for details on English proficiency levels.

HOW TO APPLY

1. Apply online: Go to www.lunduniversity.lu.se/psychology. Click on “Apply” and follow the instructions for the online application at www.universityadmissions.se, the Swedish national application website. Rank the chosen programmes in order of preference.

2. Submit your supporting documents:
   • General supporting documents: Check what documents you need to submit (i.e. official transcripts, degree diploma/proof of expected graduation, translations, proof of English, passport) and how you need to submit them at www.universityadmissions.se.
   • Programme-specific supporting documents: When applying for this programme you also need to submit a statement of purpose with your application. See instructions on www.psy.lu.se/study/master

3. Pay the application fee (when applicable).

SELECTION CRITERIA/ADDITIONAL INFO

Selection is made based on grades from previous studies and statement of purpose.

TUITION FEES

There are no tuition fees for EU/EEA citizens. For non-EU/EEA citizens the tuition fee for this programme is SEK 100 000 per year. For details on tuition fees, see www.lunduniversity.lu.se

About the Department of Psychology

There are about 110 persons on the regular staff at the department. A network of national and international contacts with researchers and practitioners provides a basis for communication with the world at large.


A continuous programme for quality management and certification is implemented in the department. Our teachers have often been praised for their teaching skills.

About Lund University

Lund University was founded in 1666 and is repeatedly ranked among the world’s top 100 universities. The University has 42 000 students and more than 7 680 staff based in Lund, Helsingborg and Malmö. We are united in our efforts to understand, explain and improve our world and the human condition.

Lund is Sweden’s most attractive study destination. The University offers one of the broadest ranges of programmes and courses in Scandinavia, based on cross-disciplinary and cutting-edge research. The compact university campus encourages networking and creates the conditions for scientific breakthroughs and innovations. The University has a clear international profile, with partner universities in over 70 countries.

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