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MSc in Psychology

LUND UNIVERSITY, SWEDEN

- Master of Science with a major in Psychology
- 2 years, full-time, 120 ECTS credits
- Department of Psychology
- Lund Campus
- Application deadline: January 2021
- Programme start: August 2021

Programme overview

The Master of Science Programme in Psychology comprises 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 founded in scientific scholarship and knowledge of current theory and research in Psychology, and offering broad career opportunities. Within the programme, you have possibility of selecting courses of your own interest. Please note that the programme does not lead to a license as a clinical psychologist.

The first semester focuses on theoretical and practical tools for psychology. The students get fundamental knowledge in philosophy of psychology and cognitive science, which encompasses both current areas such as 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 fields of Psychology, getting hands-on experience with a range of research methods used in psychological research today. Students will also train in advanced research methods and statistics, including Bayesian statistics.

In the second semester, students choose two of the following advanced theoretical courses: Social Psychology, Developmental Psychology, Personality Psychology or Abnormal Psychology for the first half semester. The second half semester comprises empirical work in any of those fields. In

the third semester, students choose between the courses Cognitive Neuroscience or Work and Organisational Psychology for the first half semester, while, again, the second half comprises empirical work in either area. Together, the second and third semester aim at increasing the students' understanding and knowledge of psychology through deepening their knowledge and comprehension of theories and current research, and combining this with practical research experience.

During the fourth semester, students work on a Master's Thesis, further deepening their knowledge of psychology and training in skills of relevance to research, development and scientific investigation in different professional contexts. Importantly, students train independent critical thinking, planning and carrying out a project to completion, as well as advanced communication skills. The Thesis may be an independent project, or part of ongoing, cutting-edge research at the Department of Psychology.

Features of this programme

- Advanced methodology and statistics courses
- Deepened knowledge within different topics in Psychology
- Extensive research skills training
- Flexible structure, elective courses
- Option to write the 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 Psychology (7.5), Personality Psychology (7.5), Social Psychology (7.5) or Methods in Abnormal Psychology (7.5), Empirical Work in Social, Development, Personality or Abnormal Psychology (15), Cognitive Neuroscience (15) or Work and Organisational Psychology



“Now I have completed the programme I would say I really feel it gives you a great basis for a research career, giving you hands-on research experience in interesting areas combined with further developing your statistical and research methods knowledge.”

Holly Knapton from England, now PhD student in the department of Psychology at Lund University





(15), Empirical Work in Cognitive Neuroscience or Work and Organisational Psychology (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 Research and Development (R&D), managing change or HR, communication or implementation, within different contexts e.g. education, healthcare, social policy, or other industry.

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 Level 6 (equivalent to IELTS 6.5, TOEFL 90). 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 must also submit a statement of purpose with your application. See www.psy.lu.se/study/master for instructions.

4. Pay the application fee (when applicable).

SELECTION CRITERIA/ADDITIONAL INFO

Selection is made based on grades from previous studies and on the 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 110 000 per year. See www.lunduniversity.lu.se for details on tuition fees.

About the Department of Psychology

The department has about 100 employees, 1 200 undergraduate and graduate students as well as 20 PhD students. Freestanding courses and five programs are offered. Research is organised in divisions and networks, such as:

- work and organisational psychology
- cognition
- neuropsychology
- personality and social psychology
- clinical psychology
- developmental psychology

Many researchers at the department collaborate in national and international multi-disciplinary research groups. The research activities are well connected to education and practice.

About Lund University

Lund University was founded in 1666 and is repeatedly ranked among the world's top 100 universities. The University has 40 000 students and more than 8 000 staff based in Lund, Helsingborg and Malmö. We are united in our efforts to understand, explain and improve our world and the human condition.

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