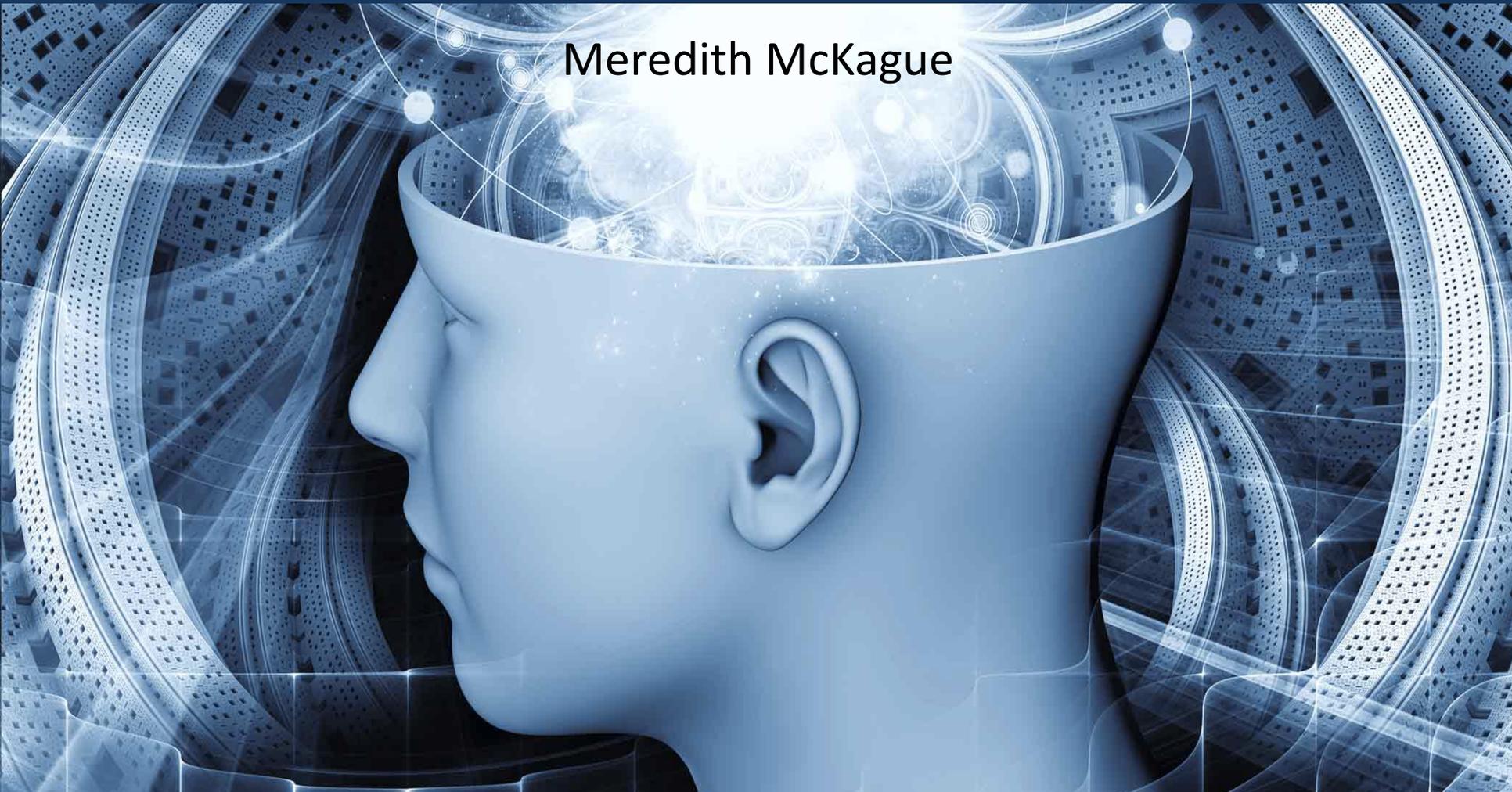


Career Pathways and Further Studies in Psychology

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Careers in Psychology

Research Psychologist

Registered Psychologist (General Registration)

Academic Psychologist

Clinical Psychologist

Clinical Neuropsychologist

Educational Psychologist

Organisational Psychologist

Forensic Psychologist

Sport Psychologist

Counselling Psychologist

Community Psychologist



Types of Psychologists

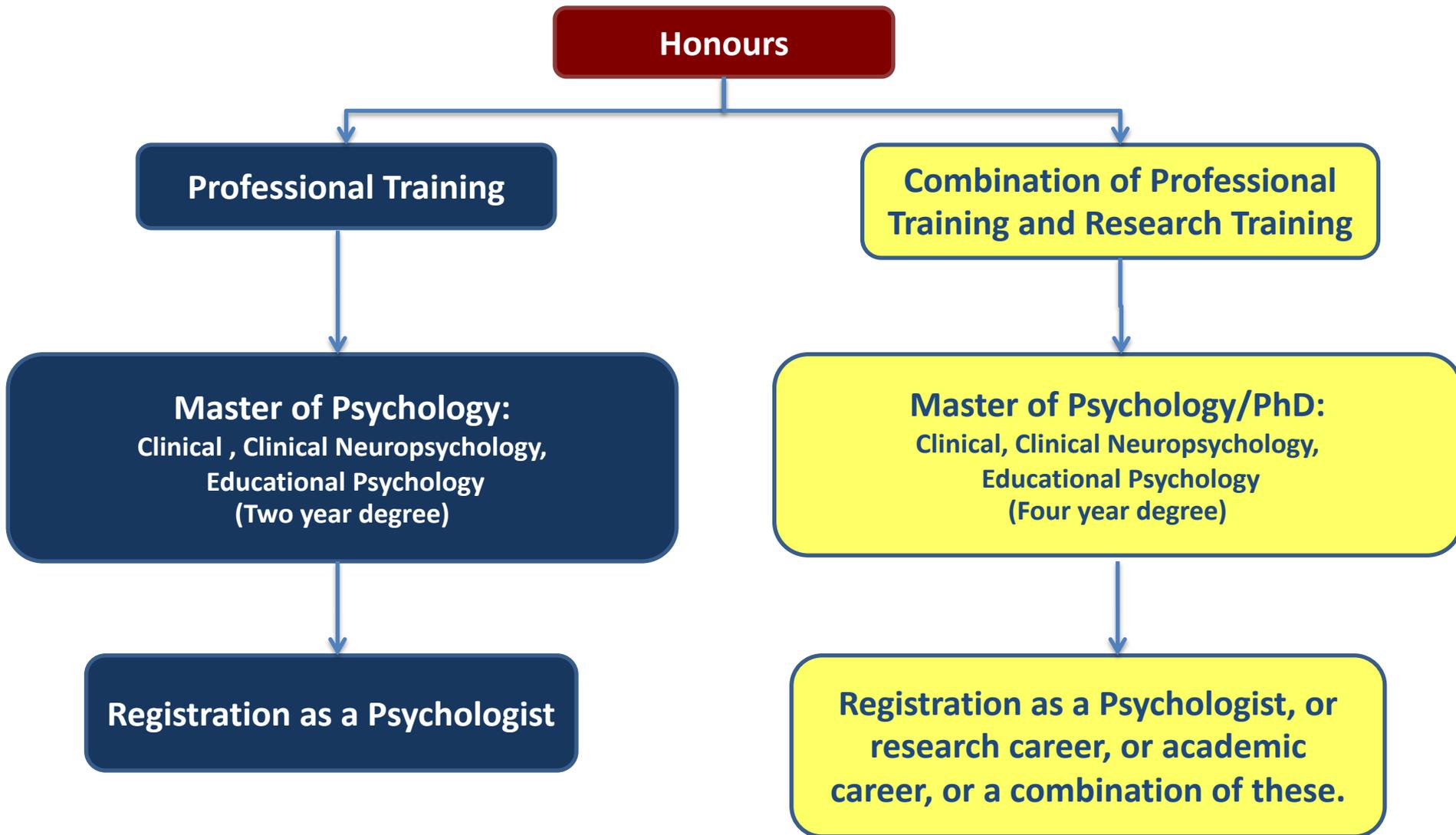
- All psychologists must be registered with the [Psychology Board of Australia](#) as either:
 - A psychologist with [General Registration](#)
 - A psychologist with an [Area of Practice Endorsement](#)
- A psychologist with general registration usually has a minimum of 6 years of university training and supervised practice
- A psychologist with an area of practice endorsement usually has a minimum of eight years of university training and supervised experience in that area of practice endorsement. There are 9 areas of practice:
 - [Clinical Psychologist](#)
 - [Clinical Neuropsychologist](#)
 - [Educational Psychologist](#)
 - [Forensic Psychologist](#)
 - [Organizational Psychologist](#)
 - [Health Psychologist](#)
 - [Sports and Exercise Psychologist](#)
 - [Counselling Psychologist](#)
 - [Community Psychologist](#)
- Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC) accredited courses can be found [here](#) or [here](#)

Pathways to register as a practicing professional psychologist

Undergraduate psychology
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Fourth year psychology
Honours/Graduate Diploma (Advanced)

Provisional Registration





Admission into all courses is based on specific selection criteria

Professional Training with Melbourne School of Psychological Sciences

- Master of [Clinical Psychology](#)
- Master of [Clinical Neuropsychology](#)
- Master of [Educational Psychology](#)
- Plus combined Masters/PhD programs

Academic and Research Careers in Psychology: Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

- Doctor of Philosophy ([PhD](#))
- Admission to the community of scholars in Psychology.
- Requires completion of 4th year
- Typical duration: 3-4 years
- The PhD is awarded on the basis of a thesis of 80,000–100,000 words that reports an independent, sustained, academically supervised research project.
 - PhD must make a significant new contribution to the discipline.
- PhDs are assessed via external international examination of the research thesis.
- Contact an expert in that area – at UoM or elsewhere:
 - Talk with them about the possibility of completing a PhD in the area and discuss possible research questions
 - Speak with their PhD students to see what they are like as a supervisor
- Apply for entry and a scholarship
 - Some PhDs are offered with funding included for scholarship

Entry Requirements for 4th Year

- 4th year
 - Honours or Graduate Diploma in Psychology (Advanced)
- Completion of an APAC accredited major in Psychology or Graduate Diploma in Psychology (bridging program)
- To calculate your **4th year Psychology WAM** you need two values:
 - a = your average score for Level 2 (second year) psychology subjects
 - b = your average score for Level 3 (third year) psychology subjects
- The formula for calculating your entry score is:
 - **$(a + 2b)/3$**
 - So, if your Level 2 average is 70 and your Level 3 average is 80, your formula score would be
 - $(70 + 160)/3 = 76.67$.

The Honours/4th year in MSPS

- The number of places available depends on supervision capacity and so varies from year to year
 - Approximately 100-120 places anticipated for 2019
- Because the number of available places varies from year to year, so does the ‘cut-off’ score
 - High H2A/lowH1 average is generally competitive

The Honours/4th year in MSPS

- **Coursework (50%)**
- **Two compulsory subjects (Sem 1):**
 - Theories and Professional Practice
 - Advanced Design and Data Analysis
- **Two Electives (Sem 2):**
 - Current Topics in Developmental Psychology
 - Current Topics in Social Psychology
 - Current Topics in Cognitive Neuroscience
 - Models of Psychological Processes
- **Research Thesis (50%)**
- Supervised research project
 - Each student investigates a unique research question under supervision of a member of academic staff.
- Literature Review (3000 words: Hurdle)
- Research Report (9000 words; 100%)
 - Written in the style of a manuscript for publication in an internationally peer-reviewed journal.
- Topics for supervised projects and supervisors are provided to students when an offer is made.

Applying for 4th year

- One year full-time or two years part-time.
 - When the course is undertaken in part-time mode, coursework is completed in the first year and the research thesis is completed in second year.
- Deferral ***is not permitted***
 - Applicants who have been given an offer will need to re-apply for the following year.
- **How to apply:**
- **Application closing date:**
 - Friday 26th of October, 2018
- **Successful applicants notified:**
 - Late December/Early January
- For enquiries about the program and the application process: fourthyear-psych@unimelb.edu.au

Master of Applied Psychology:

Introducing a new post-graduate program

- The [Master of Applied Psychology](#) (MAP)
 - first intake in 2018
- This new program is directed to graduating psychology majors as an alternative to fourth-year (honours) programs
- It offers an alternative pathway into psychology-related employment

Rationale for the MAP

- Acquire skills highly relevant to workplaces involving advertising, market & social research, consumer behaviour, consulting, and health behaviour change in the commercial, public and non-profit sectors
- The MAP will develop work-ready skills in these areas, with a focus on applied practice rather than theory

MAP: Basic details I

- **Extent:** 150 point Masters program (AQF9)
- **Study type:** On campus, face-to-face
- **Study duration:** Three semesters full-time
- **Teaching:** Conducted by academics from MSPS, FBE, MGSE & some associated industry professionals

MAP: Basic details II

- **Eligibility:** Requires completion of an accredited psychology major
- **Funding:** Full fee
- **Places:** ~30 students
- **Selection:** competitive entry based on marks formula
- **Accreditation status:** Not an APAC accredited professional training program
- **Pathways:** Graduates may proceed to RHDs if they wish

MAP: Course Structure

SEM 1

Advanced Social Psychology	12.5
Advanced Design & Data Analysis	12.5
Consumer behaviour	12.5
Psychology of Advertising	12.5

SEM 2

Consulting Fundamentals	12.5
Attitude & Behaviour Change	12.5
Applied Research Methods	12.5
Qualitative Research in Public Health	12.5

SEM 3

Internship <i>OR</i> Group Research Project	25.0
Influence & Persuasion	12.5
Thinking, Judgment & Decision Making	12.5

Graduate Access Melbourne

- A [Graduate Access Melbourne](#) application will ensure that any circumstances that had an adverse effect on your academic achievement during tertiary study, or your membership of a group of people known to be under-represented in higher education, will be taken into consideration when your course application is assessed.