

# MSc in Psychology (research) program

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# Research Master

<b>Degree:</b>	<b>MSc in Psychology (research)</b>
<b>Type of Program:</b>	<b>Full-Time</b>
<b>Duration:</b>	<b>2 years</b>
<b>Start Date:</b>	<b>September and February</b>
<b>Language:</b>	<b>English</b>
<b>Nr of students:</b>	<b>~40/year</b>
<b>Entry Requirements:</b>	<b>√ BSc in Psychology, advanced courses pertaining to the chosen track</b> <b>√ High average grade (&gt;7.5)</b> <b>√ Superior grade for the bachelor's thesis (7.5 or above)</b> <b>√ Solid background in methods &amp; statistics</b>
<b>Application:</b>	<b>See info at <a href="https://mastersinleiden.nl">mastersinleiden.nl</a>.      Applications will be processed a.s.a.p.</b>
<b>Deadlines:</b>	<b>15 June and 1 December</b>

# Challenging program

- **Prepare for a career as a top researcher in psychology, inside or outside academia**
- **Improve methodological and statistical skills**
- **Learn how to improve your scientific writing and presentation skills**
- **Curriculum is demanding and requires persistence**

# Curriculum

- **Obligatory general coursework** 40 EC
- **Obligatory track-specific coursework** 20 EC
- **Electives** 20 EC
- **Thesis** 20 EC
- **Internship** 20 EC

# Obligatory general coursework

- **Designing an empirical study**
- **Experimentation I: Programming psychological experiments**
- **Experimentation II: Neuro-scientific research methods**
- **Applied multivariate data analysis – Mini courses in statistics**
- **Analysis of own data**
- **Scientific writing**
- **Presenting your research**

# Four specialisations (tracks) in Psy

- **Clinical & Health Psychology**  
(can be combined with parts of 1-year program MSc CP or HMP)
- **Cognitive Neuroscience**
- **Developmental Psychology**  
(can be combined with parts of 1-year program MSc CAP or SP)
- **Social and Organisational Psychology**

**in Faculty of Science:**

- **Statistical Science for the Life and Behavioural Sciences**

# Examples of track-specific coursework

Track	Obligatory	Elective
<b>Clinical &amp; Health</b>	Biological Underpinnings of Psychopathology	Eating Disorders
<b>Cog Neuro</b>	Cognitive Neuroscience of Action Control	Decision Making: Theory and Practice
<b>Development</b>	Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience	Behaviour Training with Children
<b>Social &amp; Organisation</b>	Social Judgment and Decision Making	Motivation, Power, and Leadership

# Internship and thesis

- **Year 2**
- **Research master students' own computer room**
- **Possibility to go abroad**
- **Need to organise your own funding (grants: e.g. LUF)**



# Year 1

## Semester 1

## Semester 2

Obligatory general courses	15	Obligatory general courses	15
Obligatory track-specific courses	10	Obligatory track-specific courses	10
Electives (track and free)	5	Electives (track and free)	5

# Year 2

## Semester 3

## Semester 4

		Obligatory general courses	10
		Electives (track and free)	10
Internship/Thesis	30	Thesis	10

# RM Staff representatives to contact

- **Scientific coordinator**      **Prof. dr. Sander Nieuwenhuis**
- **Secretary**                      **Wilma van Velzen**
- **Study adviser**                  **Mirthe Haas, LL.M**
  
- **Clinical & Health**              **Dr. Bart Verkuil**
- **Cogn. Neuroscience**          **Prof. dr. Sander Nieuwenhuis**
- **Developmental**                 **Dr. Anna van Duijvenvoorde**
- **Social & Organisational**      **Dr. Lotte van Dillen**

# Career prospects

- **Academic career: PhD in psychology**
  - ✓ the job market is pretty good
  - ✓ the life is very good!
- **research agencies**
- **private firms**
- **governmental institutions focusing on research**
- **consultancy**

# Student for a Day?

**Want to experience what it's like to do this research master?**

**Be a Student for a Day!**

**By attending a lecture and discussions with a student, you can learn more about the programme that you are considering**

**For dates and to sign up, check out  
[masters.universiteitleiden.nl/psychology-research](https://masters.universiteitleiden.nl/psychology-research)**

# Looking forward to your applications!

Feel free to contact

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