

# Info for new students

## MSc in Psychology (research)

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# Mentors

- **Each track has a staff mentor who you can contact with all track-specific questions, study planning, personal issues, internship ideas, etc.**
- **Staff mentors will invite each student for a meeting in the coming weeks**  
(Clin & Health: Eiko Fried; CogNeuro: Bryant Jongkees; Developmental: Anne Miers; Soc & Econ: Gert-Jan Lelieveld)
- **Each track has a student mentor who will help familiarise you with university life, your master's study programme and your fellow students**
- **You will hear from your student mentor soon**

# Other relevant people

- **Scientific coordinator Anna van Duijvenvoorde: for all RM general questions, complaints, etc ([a.c.k.van.duijvenvoorde@fsw.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:a.c.k.van.duijvenvoorde@fsw.leidenuniv.nl))**
- **Anna will answer questions on Master Kick-Off Day (27-01-2022)**
- **RM secretary Wilma van Velzen: with administrative questions ([wvelzen@fsw.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:wvelzen@fsw.leidenuniv.nl))**
- **The RM student representative in the International Student Platform: with specific questions from international students**

# Research Master Program Committee

- Meets four times a year to discuss course evaluations and everything else that is important for the RM
- Each track is represented by one student member and one staff member
- Your student representative will get in touch with you soon
- You can send them complaints, questions, suggestions

# Four specialisations (tracks)

- **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)
- **Social & Economic Psychology**

**Interested in one of the scientist-practitioner combinations mentioned above? Contact your mentor to discuss planning**

# RM and postmaster clinical training

In order to prepare for postdoctoral clinical training in The Netherlands (GZ-opleiding), you must add an *extracurricular* 20 ECTS clinical internship. You do not need to write two separate theses.

Furthermore, **Clinical & Health** students must take the three clinical skills courses from the 1-year MSc specialisation Clinical Psycholog or Health & Medical Psychology as electives: Basic Therapeutic Skills, Cognitive Behavioral Interventions, and Clinical Interviewing and Assessment.

**Developmental** students are advised to take two clinical skills courses from the 1-year MSc specialisaton Child and Adolescent Psychology: Advanced Psychodiagnostics; and Behaviour Training with Children OR Cognitive Behaviour Therapy with Young People, before starting the clinical internship. For BAPD registration, the following is required: A bachelor's degree in psychology + Advanced Psychodiagnostics + a 20 ECTS clinical internship.

Please note that whether you can apply for postdoctoral training and which specific electives you must take, also depends on the courses that you took during your bachelor program. The criteria for this can be consulted here: (<https://www.vlogo.nl/>). Also, student advisor Evelien Wolthuis can be consulted for specific questions on whether you fulfil the criteria.

Please note that by adding an *extracurricular* 20 ECTS clinical internship to your program, finishing within 2 years is probably too ambitious. Contact your mentor if you want to discuss your study planning.

**NB.** It is the student's own responsibility to find a clinical internship. The clinical internship has the same requirements as for the 1-year MSc students.

# Curriculum

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

# Obligatory general coursework

- **Scientific writing**
- **Evaluating an empirical study**
- **Experimentation I: Programming psychological experiments**
- **Experimentation II: Neuro-scientific research methods**
- **Applied multivariate data analysis**
- **Responsible research in practice (second year)**
- **Presenting your research (second year, except for February starters who would like to do their internship and/or thesis project abroad)**



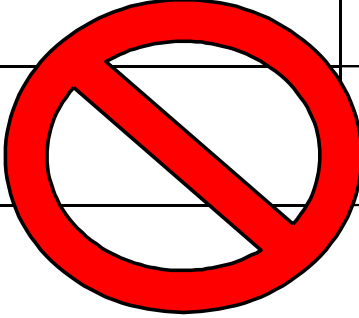
# Possible electives

- **All obligatory courses from other three tracks**
- **Many courses from 1-year MSc specialisations (click [here](#))**
- **Courses from Profile Brain & Cognition (same link)**
- **Other courses at Leiden University or outside Leiden? Discuss with mentor and send request to Board of Examiners**
- **Research project in the first year? 5 ECTS elective Research Apprenticeship (enrol not via uSis!)**
- **Take an elective? Submit a petition in uSis. See info on LU website > current students > study & studying > education information > exemptions and petitions**

# Internship and thesis

- Possibility to go abroad in third semester
- **Discuss ideas with mentor**
- **See Brightspace module '2122-HS Research Master Psychology')**
- **Need to organise your own funding (grants: e.g. LUF)**

# Suggested schedule obligatory coursework

Semester 1		Semester 2	
Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4
		Experimentation I (5 EC)	Experimentation II (5 EC)
		Applied Multivariate Data-Analysis - Mini Courses (5 EC)	

**2021-2022**

# Suggested schedule obligatory coursework

Semester 3		Semester 4	
Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4
Scientific Writing (5 EC)	Evaluating an Empirical Study (5 EC)		Presenting Your Research* (5 EC)
Applied Multivariate Data-Analysis - Mini Courses (5 EC)		Internship & Thesis research (20 EC & ~10 EC)	

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\* Take this course in first year if you would like to keep open the possibility of an internship or thesis project abroad

# Suggested schedule obligatory coursework

Semester 5	
<b>Block 1</b>	<b>Block 2</b>
Thesis analysis & writing (~10 EC)	Responsible Research in Practice (5 EC) (also taught in block 4)

**2023-2024**

# Colloquium card

- **RM students are obliged to attend 16 colloquia/conferences in two years and have these marked on a strippenkaart**
- **Colloquia are advertised on bulletin boards, CogPsy and LIBC mailinglists and the department website**
- **Wait for instructions regarding card and online colloquia**
- **Return full card to Anna van Duijvenvoorde**

# Other important info

- **RM students have room with PCs (with SPSS, EPRIME etc): SB43**
- **Get your own locker key from the Servicedesk 1B01**
- **Buy software (e.g., SPSS) for home use with large student discount: [surfspot.nl](https://www.surfspot.nl)**
- **In normal times there are three RM social hours (borrels) per year**