

MSc in Psychology (research) program

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Research Master

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

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

- Evaluating an empirical study
- **Experimentation I: Programming psychological experiments**
- **Experimentation II: Neuro-scientific research methods**
- **Applied multivariate data analysis**
- **Responsible Research in Practice**
- **Scientific writing**
- **Presenting your research**

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 or SP)
- **Social & Organisational Psychology**
=> as of September 2020: **Social & Economic Psychology**

in Faculty of Science:

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

Examples of track-specific coursework

| Track | Obligatory | Elective |
|----------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Clinical & Health | Biological Underpinnings of Psychopathology | Eating disorders |
| Cog Neuro | Cognitive Neuroscience of Action Control | Decision Making: Theory and Practice |
| Development | Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience | Child and Adolescent Psychiatry |
| Social & Organisation | 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

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| 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

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

RM Staff representatives to contact

- **Scientific coordinator** **Sander Nieuwenhuis**
- **Secretary** **Wilma van Velzen**
- **Study adviser** **Mirthe Haas, Evelien Wolthuis**

- **Clinical & Health** **Bart Verkuil**
- **Cogn. Neuroscience** **Kerwin Olfers**
- **Developmental** **Anna van Duijvenvoorde**
- **Social & Organisational** **Lotte van Dillen**

Career prospects

- **Academic career: PhD in psychology**
 - ✓ the job market is pretty good (Rathenau Institute report ‘De zin van promoveren’)
 - ✓ 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! (“Meeloopdagen”)

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

**For dates and to sign up, check out
masters.universiteitleiden.nl/psychology-research**

Be on time

| two-year Research Master | Start February 2020 | Start September 2020 | For whom? |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| RM | 15 Oct 2019 | 1 April 2020 | If you need a visa or residence permit |
| RM | 1 Dec 2019 | 15 June 2020 | If you don't need a visa nor residence permit |
| RM | 1 Dec 2019 | 15 June 2020 | BSc Psychology students @ Leiden University |

Looking forward to your applications!

Feel free to contact

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