



APPLICATIONS FOR 2025
MHSC in Clinical- and Counselling Psychology
North-West University : Potchefstroom Campus

INTRODUCTION

Thank you for considering the NWU for furthering your studies.

The above degrees cover the broad spectrum of clinical and counselling psychology which lead to the registration as Clinical – or Counselling Psychologist at the HPCSA.

The programme is offered on a full-time basis, the first year consisting of a research component, contact lectures, professional and practice-orientated workshops and practical work. After completion of the theoretical and practical part of the course, students must apply for their internship and board examination, whereafter the clinical psychology students have to complete one year of community service.

Applications will be evaluated during a selection process.

Please read the following thoroughly BEFORE completing the application forms :

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. An honours degree in Psychology or an applicable equivalent qualification with a **minimum average of 65%** is required. Your application will not be taken into consideration if your average is below 65%.
2. Students currently in progress with their honours degree are required to submit their final honours examination marks for the first semester as soon as it become available after the closing date of this application, but no later than 17 July 2024. Students from universities with only year modules with no final first semester marks will unfortunately not be able to apply.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. **Step 1 : North-West University Application Form :**

Applicants need to complete the **online** university application form. This form is available on the university's website at : <http://studies.nwu.ac.za/postgraduate-studies/higher-degree-admissions>

2. **Step 2 : Department of Psychology Application Form**

The departmental application form, together with the supporting documents (list to follow) must be completed on Google Forms. This form can be accessed at the following link : <https://forms.gle/AZsSMc5ga1ZKHxd36>

3. **Applications close on Sunday 30 June 2024 at 16:00**

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE CLOSING DATE WILL NOT BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION

4. A compulsory **selection fee** of R420-00 as approved by the NWU is required (non-refundable). This fee applies to **ALL** applicants (internal-, external- and returning students)

BANKING DETAILS :

Bank : ABSA

Account name : NWU Divers Banking

Account number : 670 642 313

REFERENCE : Surname/3B021545604

NB : PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT THE REFERENCE NUMBER IS CORRECT. PLEASE DO NOT USE ANY OTHER REFERENCE NUMBER

The incorrect reference number will delay the reflection of the fee in our account which can lead to your application being regarded as incomplete.

5. **Work experience** (if applicable) : Please provide proof of employment (on an official letterhead)
This can be experience in a professional capacity (registered at a professional board), non-professional capacity (any work in a helping capacity e.g. au pair) or general capacity (e.g. waiter).
6. Please submit a **biographical self-reflection** of your life thus far, paying attention to both positive and negative aspects thereof. The information will be handled with sensitivity and confidentiality. (Maximum 3 pages, font type arial 10)
7. The following **supporting documentation** must be submitted with the departmental application :
(please do not password protect any documents)
- Colour head/shoulder photo (ID size)
 - Certified copy of your **full** academic record
 - Certified copy/copies of your degree certificate(s) OR an official letter from your university confirming completion of your degree
 - Certified copies of any additional qualifications and/or registration at a professional board
 - Certified copy of SAQA certificate (International students only)
 - Proof of employment letter (if applicable)
 - Biographical self-reflection
 - Certified copy of ID document
 - **PLEASE NOTE THAT NO REFEREE FORMS ARE REQUIRED**

NB : NO LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE PROCESSED OR CONSIDERED.

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SELECTION PROCESS

1. PAPER SELECTION :

Staff from the Psychology Department are involved in the paper selection process.

All complete applications are considered for paper selection, which will take place on **31 July 2024 and 1 August 2024**. Paper selection is done according to several criteria. Ratings are collated and a shortlist of candidates who will be invited for the selection week **from 2 September 2024 – 5 September 2024** is compiled.

The outcome of the paper selection will be e-mailed by the **4th of August 2024**.

Due to the large number of applications, no individual feedback will be provided to unsuccessful candidates.

2. SELECTION WEEK :

The selection panel consists of staff from the Department of Psychology as well as external members from various internship sites.

Selection takes place from **Monday 2 September 2024 – Thursday 5 September 2024** at the Potchefstroom Campus. All the invited applicants are expected to be available for the duration of the selection.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION :

For any queries please contact Mrs Ronelle Lubbe at Psychology-Selection@nwu.ac.za

Please do not contact the Department after the closing date. Official decision letters will only be sent out after the paper selection has been completed.