

Programme Specification

PG Certificate Traumatic Stress Studies (part-time)

PPTZTSSTUDHC

For students entering in 2021/22

This document sets out key information about your Programme and forms part of your Terms and Conditions with the University of Reading.

Awarding Institution	University of Reading
Teaching Institution	University of Reading
Length of Programme	PG Certificate Traumatic Stress Studies (part-time) - 12 months
Accreditation	Attendance at this programme can count towards individual accreditation by the British Association for Behavioural and Cognitive Psychotherapies (BABCP) as all tutors are BABCP accredited.
Programme Start Dates	April

Programme information and content

The aims of this programme are (1) to train clinicians in in application of cognitive behavioural therapy for the treatment of traumatic stress, (2) to train clinicians so that they optimise outcomes for their patients, and (3) to provide up to date information on the relevant evidence-based psychological theories and treatments, with an emphasis on current research data.

Module information

The programme comprises of 60 credits, allocated across a range of compulsory and optional modules. Compulsory modules are listed.

Compulsory modules

Module	Name	Credits	Level
PYMAWT	Advanced Skills for Working with Trauma	20	M
PYMBWT	Basic Skills for Working with Trauma	20	M

Students must also select one of the following compulsory modules:

Module	Name	Credits	Level
PYMICTA	Introduction to Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) and Evidence-Based Psychological Treatment	20	7
OR			
PYMINTA	Introduction to Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) and Evidence-Based Psychological Treatment (APEL)	20	7

Part-time or flexible modular arrangements

Programme must be undertaken part-time. Students have a maximum of three years in which to complete credits to qualify for the award of Postgraduate Certificate.

Additional costs of the programme

N/A

Optional modules

Students with significant clinical experience may elect to complete INTA via the RPEL route rather than ICT.

Placement opportunities

N/A

Study abroad opportunities

N/A

Teaching and learning delivery

Teaching will use didactic materials, video and role-play illustrations of key therapeutic techniques and experiential learning.

Total study hours for your programme will be 600 hours. The contact hours for your programme will depend upon your module combination; an average for a typical set of modules on this programme is 60hours. In addition to your scheduled contact hours, you will be expected to undertake guided independent study. Information about module contact hours and the amount of independent study which a student is normally expected to undertake for a module is indicated in the relevant module description.

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Assessment

The programme will be assessed through examinations which assess clinical knowledge. Further information is contained in the individual module descriptions.

On the programme, students have the right to resubmit all coursework on one occasion (with marks capped at the pass mark). However, as this is a clinical programme and assessments involve real patients/clients, there is a programme limit of two pieces of coursework that could be granted 'third attempts' (known as alternative assessments) in exceptional circumstances. As a clinical programme, the University has expectations from students' employing organisations, Health Education England, and professional accrediting

bodies to ensure clinical competence standards are met. If there are exceptional circumstances which are likely to affect the student across a number of assessments, they are able to suspend studies, for a maximum of 2 years, in accordance with the University suspension policy.

Progression

BWT and AWT are compulsory modules.

Classification

The University's taught postgraduate marks classification is as follows:

Mark Interpretation

70 - 100% Distinction

60 - 69% Merit

50 - 59% Good standard (Pass)

Failing categories:

40 - 49% Work below threshold standard

0 - 39% Unsatisfactory Work

For PG Certificate

To qualify for a **Postgraduate Certificate**, students must

- i. gain an overall average of 50 or more over 60 credits; and
- ii. students must not have any mark below 50.

Within each module, every skills-based assessment must be passed with a mark of 50 or more, all portfolio assignments passed (marked as a Pass/Fail) and every written academic assessment must be passed with a mark of 50 or more. Any auto fails on skills based assessments will be marked as 0. In addition, in order to pass, students must have attended 80% of the teaching days in each module of the programme.

For further information about your Programme please refer to the Programme Handbook and the relevant module descriptions, which are available at <http://www.reading.ac.uk/module/>. The Programme Handbook and the relevant module descriptions do not form part of your Terms and Conditions with the University of Reading.

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