

# ***WHAT ARE THE VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DCLINPSY IN THE UK?***

To apply for the DClInPsy programme in the UK, you will need to obtain the following visa:

- International trainees must obtain a Tier-4 student visa to study.
- You can check if you need a Tier 4 visa via the UK government website <https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa>



# WHAT IS THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR NHS FUNDED PLACE?

There are some restrictions on who can apply for NHS funded places:

- Typically, international students are *not* eligible for any UK government funding or scholarships.
- If you are able to work in the UK without restriction then you may be considered for NHS funded places (e.g., settled status).
- To check if you are eligible for a NHS Bursary visit <https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/nhs-bursary-students>

Faculty: Brain Sciences

Clinical Psychology, DClinPsy (DDYPSYSCLI01)

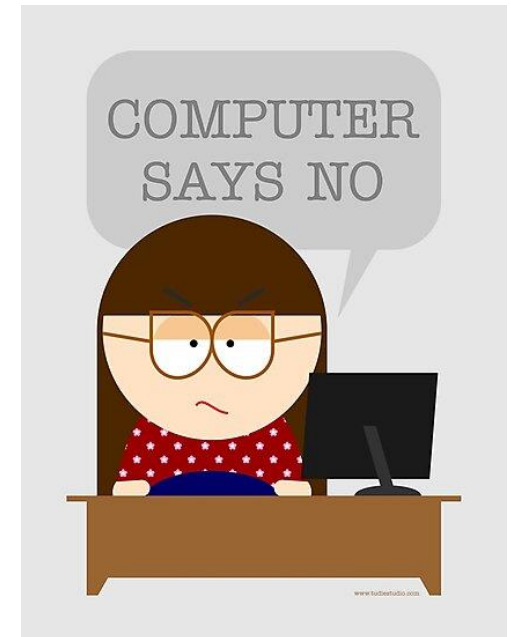
UK Full-time: £5,720 Part-time: N/A Overseas Full-time: £26,940 Part-time: N/A

Notes:

Overseas students must pay a £2,500 Additional Fee Element (AFE or 'Bench Fee') in addition to the published fee.

# ***CAN I GET FUNDING TO HELP WITH TUITION FEES?***

- Typically, international students are *not* eligible for any UK government funding or scholarships.
- It may be worth securing funding for tuition fees *before* applying for any DClinPsy programmes in the UK.
- There may be opportunities for scholarships within your home country (you will need to check this – e.g., if you're funded by an organisation / government agencies).



# WHERE CAN I APPLY FOR THE DCLINPSY PROGRAMME AS AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT?

Here is a list of some institutes that are currently taking on international students (not exhaustive list!). Please check entry requirements *before* applying.

- University College London (UCL)  
<https://www.ucl.ac.uk/clinical-psychology-doctorate/international>
- University of Nottingham  
<https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/pgstudy/course/research/clinical-psychology-dclinpsy>
- Queen's University (Belfast)  
<https://www.qub.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate-taught/clinical-psychology-dclinpsych/>
- The University of Sheffield  
<https://www.sheffield.ac.uk/clinicalpsychology/programmes/dclinpsy/international>



# WHAT PRE-TRAINING EXPERIENCE CAN I GET?

Here is a list of possible pre-training experiences (not exhaustive list!) you can gain *before* applying for the DClinPsy programme:

- Psychological Wellbeing Practitioner (Improving Access to Psychological Therapies – IAPT)
- Graduate Mental Health worker
- Honorary Assistant Psychologist (unpaid) - NHS
- Assistant Psychologist - NHS
- Research Assistant
- Health Care Assistant
- Youth worker
- Support worker
- Befriender – Voluntary sector
- Social therapist
- Family crisis worker

(Alcock, Gardener & Addai-Davis, 2014)

Rule of thumb:

- Experience should aim to include regular contact with patients
- The equivalent of at least one year of *full-time* relevant experience (may vary by institute)

# WHAT RESEARCH EXPERIENCE CAN I GET?

Some institutions require you to gain *research* experience before you can apply for the DClinPsy programme. Here are some options to gain more experience:

- Undergraduate / MSc placement year
- Service audit/evaluation and development
- Research Assistant
- PhD, MSc or other research posts
- Publications (e.g., in a peer reviewed journal)
- Oral and poster presentations at national conferences
- Projects with dissertation supervisor
- Research Apprenticeship Scheme (RAS)



# *WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION / HELP?*

A website has been created by self-funded, international aspiring psychologists who are undertaking doctorate clinical training in the UK.

More information can be found here <https://www.dclinpsy-international.co.uk/>



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Listen to the podcast episode from our former mentee Kyati Patel and her mentor Dr Sabinah Janally on What About Us podcast:

<https://www.whataboutuspodcast.com/post/s2-e2-dr-sabinah-janally-khayti-patel>





*“Remember, this is a journey,  
not a sprint”*