**UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN  
  
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY  
MASTER’S IN SOCIAL SCIENCE**

**MASTER’S IN PSYCHOLOGICAL RESEARCH  
  
APPLICATION**

Enquiries may be directed to

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**Application Procedure**

It is essential that all applicants for one of these degrees complete and submit to the department:-

* The Departmental Application Form, included here. If you need more space to supply all the information, please attach more pages.
* A Supervisor within the department must be found, Go to <http://www.psychology.uct.ac.za/> click Staff, then search staff member research interest and find one whose research interest is closes to what you want to research and email him or her to ask if he /she will supervise you. Please send your proposal, Transcript and C.V. to the staff member as also. The staff member then needs to send you letter confirming he/she is willing supervise you which you submit with your application.
* A research proposal. This is an outline, approximately 5-7 pages in length, of the research topic to be investigated. It must include an indication of the literature consulted so far, and a tentative statement of how the topic may be investigated.
* A copy of two pieces of writing that students consider to be their best work. This typically would be essays or reports from their Honours studies.
* A curriculum vitae.
* Motivational Letter
* The University Application Form, obtainable from the Admissions Secretary, Central Admissions Office, University of Cape Town, Private Bag, Rondebosch, 7701. The University Application must be returned to Central Admissions Office.

**Applications will not be considered unless all the required material have been received**. The closing date for applications is the 31 October Students may also make enquiries at other times in the year. If examination results are not yet available, these will be secured by the University. Applicants from universities other than University of Cape Town should provide their student numbers on the application form.

**Accommodation**

Students wishing to apply for accommodation should contact The Residences Office, University of Cape Town, Private Bag, Rondebosch, 7701 at Level 4 of the New Student Administration Building, Middle Campus, Rondebosch, telephone: (021 650 2977). Their web site is:

http://www.uct.ac.za/apply/residence/life/overview/.

Please state on your application for accommodation that you are a postgraduate student.

**Bursaries and Loans**

Postgraduate degree funding

**Bursaries & scholarships**

**Merit awards**

The primary and most substantial form of assistance for Honours, Masters & Doctoral students is granted on the basis of merit.

Merit awards are funded from a variety of sources, and the primary awards that are available to Honours Masters and Doctoral students are applied for via the [**NRF**](http://www.nrf.ac.za/funding_overview.php) and [**MRC**](http://www.mrc.ac.za/researchdevelopment/opportunity.htm). (See/Click Research Scholarships.)

Students should also please refer to the [**NRF Website - www.nrf.ac.za**](http://www.nrf.ac.za/).

University-sourced merit awards can be applied for only by students who have applied to the NRF. For application procedures see/click on UCT Merit and Need awards.

South African applicants for UCT Merit and Needs- Based awards are required to complete [**2022 UCT (Form 10A) Application for Financial Assistance for South African & Permanent Residents Postgraduate (Honours, Master's & Doctoral) students**](http://www.uct.ac.za/downloads/uct.ac.za/apply/forms/pg_funding_form.pdf) Closing date: 31 October 2017. Continuing students applying for renewal are required to complete UCT Form 10B.

International and Refugee Students are required to complete UCT Form 10C.  
[**2022 Applications For International/Refugee Scholarships For Postgraduate Full-Time (Honours, Masters & Doctoral) Students**](http://www.uct.ac.za/usr/pgfo/bursscholars/Form10C_2017.pdf) Applications are open and will close 31 July 2022. Continuing International and Refugee students applying for renewal are required to complete Form 10F.

Each December individual Faculties make merit awards to graduating students who have performed exceptionally well. The academic departments identify recipients, and an application form for this category of award is not required.

[**Please refer to Booklet No.14 Financial Assistance, etc for full details.**](http://www.uct.ac.za/downloads/uct.ac.za/apply/handbooks/Handbook14PostgraduateFunding2016.pdf)

**Links for the above**

<http://www.students.uct.ac.za/sites/default/files/image_tool/images/434/study/handbooks/2019/2021_HUM_PG_Handbook.pdf>

<http://www.nrf.ac.za/funding>

<http://www.uct.ac.za/downloads/uct.ac.za/apply/forms/pg_funding_form.pdf>

**UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN  
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY  
APPLICATION FORM FOR MA and MSocSc  
in Psychological Research**

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Do you have any disability, physical or otherwise, that may require assistance? (Note: we are committed to addressing the needs of students with disabilities, and will provide assistance where we can) If yes, please specify the type of disability?   
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PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:  
  
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2. From which university? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
Please include the academic transcript of your Honours degree in Psychology in your application.

3. When did you graduate? \_\_\_\_\_  
  
4. What additional degrees, diplomas, or other academic   
 qualifications have you earned?  
 **Qualification** **Institution** **Grade** **Year**  
  
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5. Mention any academic distinctions, awards, medals etc.:  
  
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6. Have you submitted any original work in support  
 of your application?  **YES NO**  
 (If so, specify; e.g research proposal. )  
  
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7. Do you have experience in any area relevant  
 to psychology? **YES NO**  
 (If so, provide brief details)  
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8. If you have not been a student recently, what have you been doing?  
  
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9. Supervisor’s Name:

Applicants who are not graduates of UCT or who have not been recent students at UCT must provide the names and contact details of two referees who could be approached by the Department for further details.  
   
Indicate the names and addresses of the two referees.  
  
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***This application form, together with supporting documents, must be submitted to the Secretary, Department of Psychology, University of Cape Town, Private Bag, RONDEBOSCH 7701, before   
end October of the year preceding study (***[***Rosalind.Adams@uct.ac.za***](mailto:Rosalind.Adams@uct.ac.za)***)***

***NOTE: Application to study for a Masters degree must also be made to "Central Admissions Office, University of Cape Town, Masingene Building, Private Bag, RONDEBOSCH 7701", before   
end October of the year preceding study***