# Application to undertake an Intercalated Year of Study for the BSc Degree

# BSc Psychology (INTERCALATED) – (2019-2020)

to be submitted by **15 March 2019**

The **BSc Psychology (Intercalated)** is open to students who wish to intercalate after Year 2, 3 or 4 of the Medical Curriculum, provided they meet the eligibility criteria outlined below. The *BSc Psychology (Intercalated)* comprises 3 parts: core modules (mandatory), option modules and the dissertation. Firstly, core modules in covering aspects of biological psychology, abnormal psychology, individual differences, clinical psychology and health psychology (45 credits). The second are taught option modules in Psychology (45 credits) in a variety of applied and broadly clinically relevant areas of psychology to provide a breadth of understanding of the nature of Psychology. The third part is a critical dissertation (30 credits) which is a critical literature review in a pertinent psychological issue. Details of the material to be covered and the methods of assessment are summarised below.

Eligibility for acceptance on the Intercalated Year of Study for the BSc Degree is successful completion of the second or third year of the course for the MBChB. An academic reference from the relevant institution (normally from the personal tutor), a transcript of all marks achieved, and a letter from your institution giving permission for you to intercalate externally is also required.

## Your Application

The total number of students taking an iBSc at Leicester in any year may be limited. There will be a minimum and maximum number of students in order for it to run and, if oversubscribed, priority will be assigned on the basis of prior academic performance. Please note that opportunities for external funding are extremely limited and students applying for BSc Psychology (Intercalated) must assume that they will be self-funding this additional year through the usual undergraduate Student Loan route.

# Personal Details

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| Disabilities: | |  | | If yes, please give details: | | | Enter relevant details of disability. | | | | |
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# Education

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| Address: | | Your Medical School’s address. | | | |
| Name of Contact at your Medical School: | Click here to enter text. | | Tel: Click here to enter text. | | Email: Click here to enter text. |
| Year of Entry into Medical School (dd/mm/yyyy): | Year of entry. | Year of Course: (2nd,3rd) | | Choose an item. | |
| I am an international student: |  |  | |  | |

# Give briefly your reasons for wishing to undertake this programme

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# Plagiarism Training

Please confirm whether you have had training for plagiarism avoidance at your institution.

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## Proposed Programme Structure (subject to full programme approval)

The iBSc Psychology is 120 credits in total. All taught modules are 15 credits and the dissertation is 30 credits. Rank all option modules in order of preference (1 = most preferred, 2, 2nd most preferred, 3 = 3rd most preferred etc.). You study 1 option module in Semester 1 and 2 in Semester 2.

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| **CORE MODULES** | |
| PS3123 | Psychopathology: An Integrated Approach to Mental Health for Intercalated Medicine |
| PS3124 | Topics in Health and Wellbeing for Intercalated Medicine |
| PS3050 | Clinical Psychology for Intercalated Medicine |
| **OPTIONAL MODULES** | |  |
| **SEMESTER 1 (One option module studied in Semester 1)\*** | | **Rank in order of preference** |
| PS3042 | Psychology Across the Life Span for Intercalated Medicine |  |
| PS3007 | Legal Psychology for Intercalated Medicine |  |
| **SEMESTER 2 (Two option modules studied in Semester 2)\*** | | **Rank in order of preference** |
| PS3049 | Occupational Psychology for Intercalated Medicine |  |
| PS3048 | Individual Differences for Intercalated Medicine |  |
| PS3045 | Cognitive and Clinical Neuropsychology for Intercalated Medicine |  |
| PS3046 | Behavioural Neuroscience for Intercalated Medicine |  |
| PS3047 | Judgement and Decision Making for Intercalated Medicine |  |
| PS3151 - IBSc Psychology Dissertation | | |

*\*For all option modules there needs to be a minimum of 3 people enrolled on a module for it to run.*

## Declaration

I confirm that the information given on this form is true, complete and accurate and no information requested or other material information has been omitted.

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| **I agree to the declaration above** |  | **Date:** | Click here to enter a date. |
| Signature: |  |  |  |

**ALL APPLICANTS** should note that the University reserves the right to make without notice changes in regulations, courses, fees etc. at any time before or after a candidate’s admission. Admission to the BSc Intercalated programme is subject to the requirement that the candidate will comply with the University’s registration procedure and will duly observe the Charter, Statutes, Ordinances and Regulations from time to time in force.

Please send completed application form together with a reference from your Personal Tutor to:

Intercalated Degrees Administrator [mbspstupro@leicester.ac.uk](mailto:mbspstupro@leicester.ac.uk)

# Checklist of documents to be submitted with this application

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| 1. This application form 2. An academic reference from your University 3. A transcript of all marks achieved to date (Students who have not passed the examinations for the parts of their medicine course that they have taken will not be given permission to take the BSc Degree) 4. A letter from your University giving permission for you to intercalate at Leicester University |

## Brief Description of Modules in Psychology

***Core Taught Modules***

**Psychopathology: an integrated approach to disorders of the mind for Intercalated Medicine**

This module will cover the key aspects of normal and abnormal human behaviour. You will discover how to identify, classify, and treat disorders of the mind.  This module takes a biopsychosocial approach to studying psychopathology, by discussing the importance of considering how biological, psychological, and social factors interact to predispose individuals to psychological disorders, and to precipitate and maintain their symptoms. You will also learn about the major models of personality that can be employed in conjunction with these approaches to help inform our understanding of normal and abnormal human behaviour.

**Topics in Health and Wellbeing for Intercalated Medicine**

This module explores the importance of applying psychological knowledge to the practice of medicine, with particular emphasis on public health and the prevention and treatment of physical and psychiatric conditions.

**Clinical Psychology for Intercalated Medicine**

In this module, you will learn about a number of key disorders and the main therapeutic models that prevail in clinical psychology. You will discover importance of understanding links between theoretical models and evidence-based clinical practice. This module explores the evolving role of clinical psychologists and their interaction with other professionals in health-care settings.

***Option Module***

**Legal Psychology for Intercalated Medicine**

This module examines the interface between law and psychology. We will explore key theoretical and methodological approaches to the study of forensic psychology in the following key areas such as the psychology of cybercrime and online offending behaviour; eye witness identification; deception; detection; false confessions; psychology within the court room; risk assessment and offender interventions

**Psychology Across the Lifespan for Intercalated Medicine**

This module explores the development of psychological behaviours and the socio-biological factors contributing to such development at key stages of the lifespan. In this context, they explore the aetiology and interventions available to treat disorders resulting from abnormal development of the nervous system.

**Judgement and Decision Making for Intercalated Medicine**

In this module you will learn about individual and interactive judgement and decision making. This covers how we take decisions when faced with choices, and also interactive decisions where there are other people whose decisions influence us and our outcomes. Interactive decision making is modelled using game theory. The module aims to demonstrate how to employ knowledge of judgement and decision-making concepts in everyday applied situations. You will learn about how decisions can be framed and how ‘choice architects’ can ‘nudge’ us to take certain decisions rather than others.

**Individual Differences for Intercalated Medicine**

During the course of this module you will explore the individual differences within a social and mental health. Particular topics explore how concepts optimism, social anxiety, irrational beliefs, forgiveness and health influence everyday behaviour and mental health outcomes.

**Cognitive and Clinical Neuropsychology for Intercalated Medicine**

In this module we will investigate concepts, theoretical debates and methodologies in cognitive and clinical neuropsychology. Particular emphasis is given to the specific cognitive deficits which can arise following brain damage and the role played by different brain subsystems in human and animal cognitive and visual processing.

**Occupational Psychology for Intercalated Medicine**

In this module, students learn about how to apply psychological knowledge to the workplace, for example in the domains of selection, training, performance management and career development. The module is assessed by examination.

**Behavioural Neuroscience for Medicine**

This module delves into the neurobiological basis of mental health disorders and the pharmacological and psychological approaches available to treat such disorders.

The modules are delivered through lectures, guided reading, tutorials and independent study.

*Assessments for these modules are by written examinations, essays, oral presentations and other written assignments.*

## ***IBSc Psychology Dissertation***

Students would then work on their 30-credit dissertations, an analytical review on a topic supervised by an academic from Psychology.