

# Mental Health Studies MSc

Year of entry: 2019

Duration: full-time: one year, part-time: two years

Study mode: full-time, part-time

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Our Mental Health Studies MSc course will equip you with the relevant knowledge in the field of mental health and provide you with the opportunity to examine one area further through both theoretical and empirical research.

While our Mental Health Studies course, which was established in 1992, offers mental health professionals a range of opportunities for continuing professional development, an equally high number of our students have not yet embarked on professional training. Some come with a relevant first degree, usually in psychology, and already have work experience in the mental health field.



## Key benefits

- Choice of eight optional modules on offer in a number of different mental health fields.
- Regular contributions from practising clinicians, including world leading experts across all psychiatric specialities from the allied South London & Maudsley Hospital (SLaM), and from visiting specialist lecturers.
- Well-established Voluntary Clinical Placements module within SLaM, the largest UK NHS Trust.
- Opportunity to join existing research projects or develop your own research ideas.

## Course details

Our Mental Health Studies course consists of the following modules: Basic Mental Health, a combination of modules in Research Methods, a Research Dissertation and a choice of two 30-credit or one 30-credit and two 15-credit optional modules.

The Basic Mental Health module provides an overview of the theoretical perspectives on mental illness, diagnosis and assessment, psychiatric disorders and treatment, and approaches to management and care.

The modules in Research Methods cover quantitative and qualitative approaches to research and provide the foundations for your own research project.

## Teaching

You will be taught through a mix of lectures, seminars and tutorials.

Module name	Lectures (hours)	Seminars/tutorials (hours)	Self-study time (hours)	Total (hours)
Basic Mental Health	40	10	250	300
Cognitive Behavioural Therapy	40	10	250	300
Psychological Therapies	40	10	250	300
Social & Community Mental Health	40	10	250	300
Women's Mental Health	40	10	250	300
Psychology & Neuroscience of Addictions	20	5	125	150
Psychology & Neuroscience of Psychosis	20	5	125	150
Pharmacotherapies of Mental Health	20	5	125	150
Small group tutorials (non-credit bearing)				
Voluntary clinical placements (non-credit bearing)				
Dissertation	0	6	594	600
<b>Combination of modules in research methods</b>				
Introductory Statistics	20	5	125	150
Statistics for Mental Health Research	20	5	125	150
Advanced Statistics	20	5	125	150
Qualitative Research Methods	20	5	125	150
Systematic Reviews in Mental Health	20	5	125	150
Big Data in Mental Health Research	20	5	125	150

Typically, one credit equates to 10 hours of work.

## Assessment

You are assessed through a combination of coursework and examinations and may typically expect assessment by:

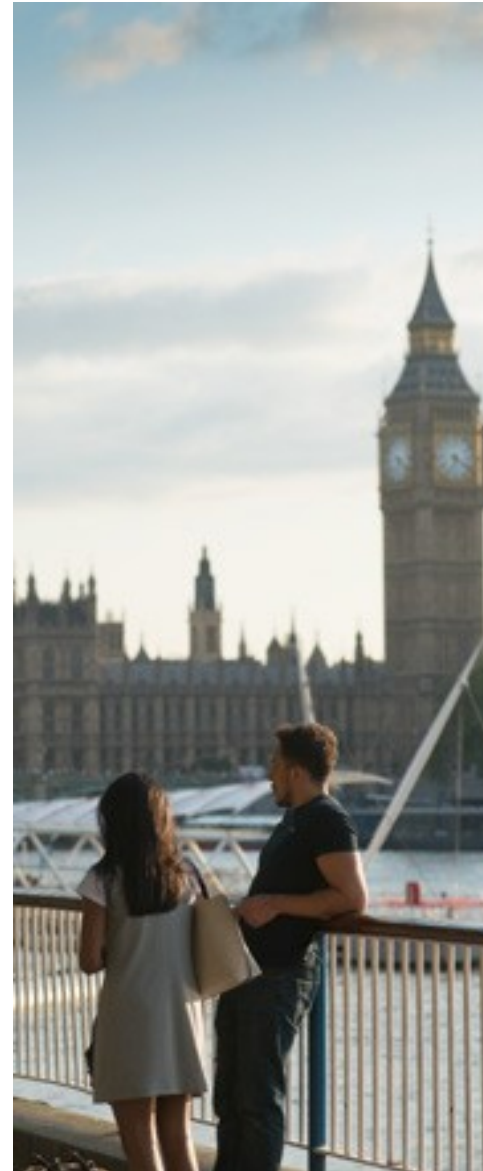
Examination	Coursework	Practical
30%	50%	20%

The study time and assessment methods detailed above are typical and give you a good indication of

what to expect. However, they may change if the course modules change.

## Regulating body

King's College London is regulated by the Office for Students.



## Course structure

Courses are divided into modules. Over the course of your study you will take modules totalling 180 credits.

### Required modules

You are required to take the following modules:

- Basic Mental Health (30 credits)
- A combination of modules in Research Methods (30 credits):
  - **Term 1:** Introductory Statistics (15 credits) or Statistics for Mental Health Research (15 credits)
  - **Term 2:** Advanced Statistics (15 credits) or Qualitative Research Methods (15 credits) or Systematic Reviews in Mental Health (15 credits) or Big Data in Mental Health Research (15 credits)
- Dissertation (60 credits)

### Optional modules

In addition, you take 60 credits from a range of optional modules that may typically include:

- Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (30 credits)
- Psychological Therapies (30 credits)
- Social & Community Mental Health (30 credits)
- Women's Mental Health (30 credits)
- Psychology & Neuroscience of Addictions (15 credits) – distance learning
- Psychology & Neuroscience of Psychosis (15 credits) – distance learning
- Pharmacotherapies of Mental Health (15 credits) – distance learning
- Small group tutorials (non-credit bearing)
- Voluntary clinical placements (non-credit bearing)

King's College London reviews the modules offered on a regular basis to provide up-to-date, innovative and relevant programmes of study. Therefore, modules offered may change. We suggest you keep an eye on the course finder on our website for updates.

## Location

Our course is primarily taught at the King's College London Denmark Hill Campus.

Please note that locations are determined by where each module is taught and may vary depending on the optional modules you select.

## Career prospects

Graduates pursue various careers in mental health, including clinical training, research assistant positions and PhD study.

## Fees and funding

### Full-time and part-time tuition fees – UK

The UK tuition fees for the 2019–20 academic year are available on the course web page.

Please note that the tuition fees for subsequent years of study may be subject to increases in line with King's terms and conditions.

### Full-time and part-time tuition fees – EU

Students starting their programme in 2019/20 (September 2019) who are eligible to pay EU fees will pay the same rate of tuition fees as UK students. This will apply for the duration of their programme, but may be subject to change by the UK Government for subsequent cohorts from 2020/21.

The UK tuition fees for the 2019–20 academic year are available on the course web page.

Please note that the tuition fees for subsequent years of study may be subject to increases in line with King's terms and conditions.

### Full-time and part-time tuition fees – International

The International tuition fees for the 2019–20 academic year are available on the course web page.

Please note that the tuition fees for subsequent years of study may be subject to increases in line with King's terms and conditions.

### Deposit

When you receive an offer for this course you will be required to pay a non-refundable deposit to secure your place. The deposit will be credited towards your total fee payment.

The UK/EU deposit is £500.

The International deposit is £2,000.

For further information, please visit the fees and funding section of our website: [www.kcl.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/fees-and-funding/index.aspx](http://www.kcl.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/fees-and-funding/index.aspx)

### Additional costs

In addition to your tuition fees, you can also expect to pay for:

- books if you choose to buy your own copies
- DBS checks
- clothing for optional course related events and competitions
- library fees and fines
- personal photocopies
- printing course handouts
- society membership fees
- stationery
- travel costs for travel around London and between campuses
- graduation costs

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