

# War & Psychiatry 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 MSc in War & Psychiatry will introduce you to ways of understanding how individuals, both members of the armed forces and civilians, prepare for and cope with psychological trauma. It is designed to develop the knowledge and skills required to explore the field of human conflict. Drawing on multidisciplinary expertise, you will have the opportunity to compare the experiences of different nations to explore both theoretical and practical aspects of the subject. The course is ideal for careers in military psychiatry and related NGOs, emergency and anti-terrorist services.

## Key benefits

- You will gain an understanding of how people prepare themselves for war, cope during conflict and adjust to peacetime life.
- You will be taught by internationally recognised researchers and clinicians.
- You will learn not only about the psychological effects on soldiers fighting on the front line but also how civilians cope when subjected to the trauma of war or acts of terrorism.
- You will examine the psychology of conflict through different cultures.
- You will develop knowledge and skills not necessarily provided by clinical training.

## Course details

This course will give you a critical understanding of the complex methodological, ethical, historical, medical, cultural and empirical aspects of military psychiatry. You will also develop an ability to critically evaluate current research and advanced scholarship in the history, development and practice of military psychiatry.

Our course will enable you to develop and demonstrate knowledge and understanding and skills in the following areas:

- The nature, significance and complexities of the history, development and practice of military psychiatry.
- Systematic and reflexive investigation of the literature and the conceptual, therapeutic, operational, historical and ethical issues surrounding the relationship between war and psychiatry.

- Advanced understanding of a comprehensive range of concepts, theories and methods relevant to military psychiatry.

The course, which can be taken either in one year (full-time) or two years (part-time), places military psychiatry in its appropriate cultural, historical and social context and leads to an internationally recognised qualification.



## Teaching

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

Module name	Lectures (hours)	Seminars/tutorials (hours)	Field/lab/studio/supervised learning (hours)	Self-study time (hours)	Total (hours)
War & Psychiatry	40	20	10	330	400
Advanced Concepts of Military Psychiatry	10	14	10	366	400
Civilians & Extreme Trauma: The Impact of Warfare, Disasters & Political Repression	40	20	-	340	400
Dissertation	10	2	-	588	600

Contact time is based on 24 academic weeks.

Typically, one credit equates to 10 hours of work.

## Assessment

Students are assessed on their coursework. Coursework can include written assignments such as essays and portfolios.

	Examination	Coursework	Practical
Full-time	-	100%	-
Part-time	-	100%	-

## 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:

- War & Psychiatry (40 credits)
- Advanced Concepts in Military Psychiatry (40 credits)
- Dissertation (60 credits)
- Civilians & Extreme Trauma: The Impact of Warfare, Disasters & Political Repression (40 credits)

### Optional modules

There are no optional modules for this course.

Part-time students should plan to take 80 credits of the required taught modules in their first year, and 40 credits of the remaining required taught module and 60 credits from the dissertation module in their second year.

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

This course is taught at the Strand and Denmark Hill Campuses of King's College London.

## Career prospects

Much of the course content is of a practical nature designed to inform the assessment and treatment of psychological casualties. In addition, our course has invited speakers from the armed forces, military charities and the emergency services. Presentations are given by the IoPPN's Careers Consultant and individual meetings with students can be arranged to explore job opportunities.



## 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.

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### 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.

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### 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
- 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
- printing one copy of the dissertation
- £50 contribution to the weekend battlefield tour of Ypres
- travel costs to Combat Stress near Leatherhead.

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