

2024/25 University Postgraduate Applications and Funding Guidelines

Online applications for October 2025 entry opened in September 2024. All Psychology postgraduate courses have an application deadline of **27 March 2025**. No late applications will be considered.

There are many funding opportunities at Cambridge including the Cambridge Trust, Gates Cambridge, Colleges, Research Councils and central University funds. There are 2 funding rounds:

Funding Round	Type of Applicant	Deadline for applications	Awards Offered
1. Gates USA	US citizens	16 October 2024	From February 2025
2. All other	All	3 December 2024	From March 2025

Please stress to potential candidates that all funding opportunities/scholarships are extremely competitive. The deadline for all applications for the main funding round is **Tuesday 3 December 2024.** Application forms and all supporting documentation must be submitted simultaneously.

Application Fee

For Michaelmas 2025 entry, PhD applications are **exempt** from the application fee. MPhil applications are £50.

MRC DTP iCASE and BBSRC DTP Programme

The Cambridge MRC DTP will not be offering any ordinary DTP studentships for 2025.

Applicants who are applying for a Cambridge MRC DTP iCASE and a BBSRC Studentship will need to make a separate application to the DTP and to the Department if they also wish to be considered for other funding they may be eligible for. Please ensure you inform applicants who you are in contact with about this, as the Department postgraduate office may not know who they are.

Student Application Submitted

Once a student has submitted an application form for a Psychology postgraduate course, the supervisor will be notified and sent a copy of their application. The student will need to be interviewed by two members of Departmental Academic Staff. The first interviewer should be the prospective supervisor. The second interviewer should be a member of the Department from outside of the supervisor's research group. A third interviewer will be required if one of the interviewers is also an academic referee for the applicant.

Once the interview forms have been completed, the application will be considered by the Postgraduate Education Committee admissions team. They will score the applicant based on the University's scoring scheme. A threshold of 75% will be applied for determining admission, and applications scoring particularly highly will be entered into appropriate funding competitions (including the ESRC DTP, if eligible).

Please note the postgraduate admissions interview policy, which can be found on the intranet: Postgraduate Supervisors | Department of Psychology (cam.ac.uk)