

## **Practitioner psychologists      Modality: Forensic psychologists**

Historical qualifications for practitioner psychologists can be either:

- Complete awards that lead to eligibility to apply to register with us; or a
- Combination of awards and experience that together lead to eligibility to apply to register with us.

Below is a list of the types of evidence for forensic psychologists that you will be required to submit to us alongside your application to show that you have completed an approved historical qualification. You can find lists of qualifications that either in whole or in combination with other evidence will lead to eligibility to apply to our Register. You should review the list to find the award you have completed and the evidence which you will need to submit to us.

If you need to provide a reference to establish that you successfully completed a period of supervised training, that reference must be provided by a psychologist with first hand knowledge that you completed the training (e.g. your training supervisor or a colleague who worked with you at the time) or, if the reference is based upon records held by the institution where the training was undertaken, by a representative of that institution (e.g. director of a NHS Trust, director of a local education authority or head of a prison establishment).

Most references relate to periods of supervised practice. This supervised practice is not your ongoing clinical supervision, but your initial training (or first trainee position) taken in a practical/clinical setting. During this period of supervised practice, you would not have been working independently and autonomously but under the supervision of a training supervisor, mentor or fully qualified psychologist, or equivalent. At the end of your period of supervised practice, there would have been some kind of assessment or 'sign off' by your training supervisor, mentor or fully qualified psychologist, or equivalent. After which you would have practiced as an autonomous professional.

If you have further questions about the evidence you need to submit with your application, please contact our Registrations team on 44 (0)845 300 4472 or [registration@hcpc-uk.org](mailto:registration@hcpc-uk.org)

### **Further evidence required in conjunction with approved qualification for forensic psychologists**

- Accredited Masters, plus two years supervised practice
- Certificate in Forensic Psychology, plus two years supervised practice
- In-service training within the Home Office (three years)

List of historically approved qualification for forensic psychologists

Education Provider	Mode of Study	Title of Programme	Validating Institution	Date of Commencement for First Cohort	Date of Commencement for Final Cohort	Date of Graduation of Final Cohort	Evidence required to support application
Birkbeck University of London	Full time	MSc Applied Criminology Psychology	Birkbeck University of London	1987	1996	Unknown	Certificate for the award from education provider <b>and</b> References for 2 years supervised practice
British Psychological Society	Full time	Certificate in Forensic Psychology	British Psychological Society	1998	2001	Unknown	Certificate in Forensic Psychology issued by the British Psychological Society <b>and</b> References for 2 years supervised practice
Glasgow Caledonian University	Full time	MSc Forensic Psychology	Glasgow Caledonian University	1998	2001	Unknown	Certificate for the award from education provider <b>and</b> References for 2 years supervised practice

Home Office	Full time	In-service training within the Home Office (three years)	Home Office	1965	1993	Unknown	References
Manchester Metropolitan University	Full time	MSc Forensic Psychology	Manchester Metropolitan University	1998	2001	Unknown	Certificate for the award from education provider <b>and</b> References for 2 years supervised practice
University of Birmingham	Full time	MSc Criminological Psychology	University of Birmingham	1996	1996	Unknown	Certificate for the award from education provider <b>and</b> References for 2 years supervised practice <b>and</b> evidence of successfully completing the modules Psychology, Law and Criminal Justice, and Psychology and the Courtroom

University of Birmingham	Full time	MSc Criminological Psychology	University of Birmingham	1997	1997		Certificate for the award from education provider <b>and</b> References for 2 years supervised practice <b>and</b> evidence of successfully completing the module Psychology, Law and Criminal Justice
University of Birmingham	Full time	MSc Criminological Psychology	University of Birmingham	1998	2001		Certificate for the award from education provider <b>and</b> References for 2 years supervised practice
University of Kent	Full time	MSc Forensic Psychology	University of Kent	1996	2001	Unknown	Certificate for the award from education provider <b>and</b> References for 2 years supervised practice
University of Leicester	Full time	MSc Applied Forensic Psychology	University of Leicester	1999	2001	Unknown	Certificate for the award from education provider <b>and</b> References for 2 years supervised practice

University of Leicester	Full time	MSc Forensic and Legal Psychology	University of Leicester	1996	1998	Unknown	Certificate for the award from education provider <b>and</b> References for 2 years supervised practice
University of Leicester	Full time	MSc Forensic Psychology	University of Leicester	1995	2001	Unknown	Certificate for the award from education provider <b>and</b> References for 2 years supervised practice
University of Liverpool	Full time	MSc Investigative Psychology	University of Liverpool	1996	2001	Unknown	Certificate for the award from education provider <b>and</b> References for 2 years supervised practice
University of Surrey	Full time	MSc Forensic Psychology	University of Surrey	1996	2001	Unknown	Certificate for the award from education provider <b>and</b> References for 2 years supervised practice