

Dear prospective students in the Clinical Neuropsychology program,

We would like to welcome you to our program. In preparation to your enrollment for the Clinical Neuropsychology master program, we would like to inform all of you with a brief overview of the CNP master. Especially since you may benefit from searching for an appropriate thesis and internship before the start of the program, we would like to give you some details about this process.

Content

The CNP master consists of **four mandatory courses**, which are taught consecutively throughout the year (1 course per block), with teaching mainly on Mondays and Tuesdays, and occasionally on Fridays. This allows you to work on your **thesis and internship** in the same period on the other days of the week. Both will typically take you one semester to complete. We advise you to start with your thesis and next to start with your internship. For the internship you can choose between a regular 10 ECTS internship or a clinical 20 ECTS internship. In case of the former, an additional 10 ECTS in electives should be chosen. For the latter, there is no need for electives, and you can start the internship no sooner than in the second semester of your program (so when you start in September you can start no sooner than in February; when you start in February, you can start no sooner than in September).

Planning

We advise you to start searching for an internship and thesis position early on. Preferably you start your thesis at the start of your master program. If you have specific preferences for a topic or institutions, you could already inform whether positions are available. On the CNP master blackboard page, further details and vacancies are available.

Most students experience some difficulty in finding an internship position. Especially the 20 ECTS clinical internships can be hard to find, so please plan a few months search time for this. Also, most institutions will recruit a few months before the position needs to be filled, so we advise you to start applying in September, if you wish to start your internship in February. For the internship the blackboard page also provides further details about this process.

In short, what you could do before the start of your master program:

- decide on your preferences for thesis and internship
- search for a thesis position starting at the beginning of your master program
- start applying for internship positions starting from February (if you start in September) or September (if you start in February) onwards

Contact

For further information, please enroll in the CNP master blackboard page: 6464CN-PSY-0000FSW

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