Course Outline

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Forensic Interventions 1

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Faculty of Science

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Enrolled Master of Psychology (Forensic) or Combined PhD/Master of Psychology (Forensic) student
Postgraduate Timetable

This course takes a scientist-practitioner approach, connecting a framework of how psychological intervention works. A strong emphasis will be placed on links between research and clinical practice and how one informs the other.

This course will introduce students to issues relevant to working effectively with forensic clients and develop their understanding of theoretical models, diagnostic systems, assessment and intervention strategies for major psychological disorders and offending behaviours.
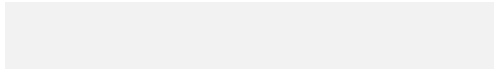
At the successful completion of this course the student should be able to:

1. Apply knowledge of the common factors involved in therapeutic engagement with forensic clients including reflective practice as part of culturally sensitive professional and ethical practice.

2. Effectively utilize ROM (Routine Outcome Measurements) techniques to measure and evaluate treatment outcomes.

3. Conduct a culturally responsive case formulation leading to an effective treatment plan utilizing forensic and clinical skillsets.

4. Conduct preliminary differential diagnosis of psychological and forensic psychological disorders/risk using dominant diagnostic frameworks and considering systemic and cultural issues.

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	Routine Outcome Monitoring	Discussion on the research surrounding ROM, how to utilize it within the therapeutic milieu, and how to use the data for deliberate practice improvement of intervention	2
	Case Formulation	Presentation of the 5Ps (presenting issue, predisposing factors, precipitating factors, perpetuating factors, protective factors), especially as they related to forensic presentations in assessment and treatment. How the case formulation informs treatment planning.	3

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All assessments in this course have been designed and implemented in accordance with UNSW Assessment Policy.6

Further details and marking criteria for each assessment will be provided to students closer to the assessment release date (see 4.1: UNSW Assessment Design Procedure).

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modalities assignment	Week 12	Course Convenor	Via email/Teams	Rubric

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