



Dear Prospective Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Psy.D program in Clinical Psychology at Marshall University. This new, innovative program is designed to train students broadly so that they will be uniquely equipped to work in rural and underserved areas as well as traditional settings. The curriculum provides a blend of skill-based courses along with core content courses, encouraging students to develop contextualized clinical skills that uniquely suit the population they serve.

Please note: In order to apply to either track, students must have completed the following undergraduate courses or their equivalents: Introductory or General Psychology, Behavioral Statistics, Experimental Psychology, Personality, Psychometrics or Test and Measurements, and Abnormal Psychology. More complete information about the program requirements and the departmental faculty is available at www.marshall.edu/psych. Please read this information carefully. The two designated tracks to which students may apply are as follows:

1. **Post B.A.:** This is the track designed for students who either possess no graduate degree or whose graduate degree is in an area other than psychology. It is considered to be a full-time program. Students who have completed some graduate work towards an advanced degree in psychology, but who have not completed their degree would also apply within this track. Some credit for previous graduate coursework may be given, provided it is current and deemed by faculty to be the equivalent of coursework offered within the program.
2. **Advanced Standing:** In addition to traditional entry with a bachelor's degree, students who already have a Masters degree in psychology can apply for advanced standing in the Psy.D. program. In order to apply for advanced standing, a student must have completed a Masters Degree in psychology from a regionally accredited institution. Students who are admitted with advanced standing must select to enter in either a full-time track or a part-time track by the end of their first semester of enrollment. These tracks are described below:

Full-time track: Students who apply for advanced standing and the full-time track must be able to document coursework and practicum equivalencies equal to approximately 36 hours of coursework required in the Psy.D. Program at Marshall University. Students in the full-time track must commit to a minimum of 9 hours of coursework and practica per semester during the entire time of their enrollment. They must also commit to taking summer coursework as needed. As such, these students can anticipate completing the program in approximately four years. This would assume 5-6 semesters of coursework and a full year for the pre-doctoral internship. Students admitted to the full-time track can apply to change to the part-time track if their circumstances warrant such a change. Although students with extenuating circumstances may drop below full-time for a given semester without changing tracks, they should recognize that this change may impact the time it will take to complete the program. Students in this track desiring to attend part time for more than one semester may be required to switch formally to the part-time track.

Part-time track: Students who apply for advanced standing and the part-time track are not required to document equivalencies at any particular level, although they must still possess a Masters degree in psychology from an accredited institution. Students in the part-time track may enroll either full-time or part-time in any given semester with the exception of the Residency Year during which full-time enrollment is required. Students in this track should anticipate completing the program in no less than 5 years and no more than 7 years from the date of enrollment.

In order to apply to this track, students must have completed at least two semesters of supervised practicum work in clinical psychology and the minimum of a 400 clock-hour supervised internship in clinical psychology. In addition, coursework completed within the psychology M.A. must be generally consistent with the following:

Adult Assessment, Child Assessment, Individual Interviewing/Psychotherapy, History and Systems, Social Psychology, Ethics and Legal Issues, Biological Bases of Behavior, Cognitive Psychology, and Developmental Psychology.

In order to apply to the Psy.D. program at Marshall University, prospective students should submit a completed application to the Graduate School at Marshall University along with the non-refundable application fee, the Psychology Department supplemental application, official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate coursework, three letters of recommendation from professional sources, and official score reports from the Graduate Record Examination. Applicants should carefully read all related materials and use the attached checklist to be certain all requirements have been completed. All materials must be received in the Psychology Department **no later than 5:00pm on January 15**. Applications that are either not received or are incomplete at that time will not be considered. All completed applications will receive full review and a small number of final applicants will be invited for interviews prior to an offer of admission. Offers of admission will be made in early March.

Admission to the program is based on several factors. These include undergraduate academic performance, graduate academic performance, scores on the Graduate Record Examination evidence of scholarly research, previous clinical work experience, and commitment to working in rural and underserved areas. We are particularly interested in receiving applications from qualified applicants who are residents of West Virginia. Therefore, a specified number of slots will be designated for those students. Applicants in the two tracks described above will be considered separately and the criteria will be weighted differently for the two groups. Admission is also competitive. The average GPA for incoming students with bachelors degrees during our first year was 3.4 and for students with masters degrees, 3.8. Average scores on the verbal and quantitative sections of the Graduate Record Examination were 545 and 558 respectively.

We look forward to receiving your application. If you have any further questions, please consult the website at www.marshall.edu/psych or call Marianna Footo Linz, program coordinator, at (304) 696-2774.

Application Checklist
Psy.D. Program in Clinical Psychology
Marshall University

Please keep this for your records. Do not return it with your application.

The following should be returned to:
Marshall University
Graduate Admissions Office
100 Angus E. Peyton Drive
South Charleston, WV 25303-1600

- _____ Marshall University Graduate School Application and fee
Please Note: The code you should write on the Graduate School Application for the Psy.D. program is **GLFO**
- _____ Official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work
- _____ GRE Scores

The following should be returned to:
Mr. Okey J. Napier, Jr., M.A.
Department of Psychology
Marshall University
1 John Marshall Drive
Huntington, WV 25755-2672

Please note, all materials noted below should be sent in the same packet. Please have all writers of recommendation letters place their letter and form in an envelope, sign across the seal, and return to you to include in your application packet.

- _____ Supplemental Application
- _____ Copies of official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work.
- _____ Personal statement
- _____ Three letters of recommendation



Department of Psychology
Psy.D. Program Supplemental Application
Marshall University
Huntington, West Virginia

Name: (Last) (First): (MI):

Social Security Number:

Address:

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Phone: Email:

Please list the following:

- Institution where you completed your highest degree:
GPA for your undergraduate course work:
GPA for your graduate coursework in psychology, if applicable:
GPA for any graduate coursework outside the field of psychology:
Grade and date of completion for each of the following undergraduate courses, which are prerequisites for admission to the Psy.D. program:

Table with 3 columns: Course, Grade, Date. Rows include Introductory or General Psychology, Behavioral Statistics, Experimental Psychology, Personality, Abnormal Psychology, Psychometrics (Tests/Measurements).

- GRE scores:
Verbal Quantitative Analytical
Psychology Subject Test

I. Check the training track to which you are applying:
Full-time track Part-time track

II. Check the educational level from which you will be entering:
Post BA Post MA

a. For those who have completed a masters degree, please specify field and year completed.

b. If you are licensed or certified to practice psychology, please provide the following (if applicable)

License number: _____

States in which you are licensed/certified: _____

Number of years licensed/certified: _____

c. If you are not licensed but are eligible to practice under supervision, please indicate the number of years you have worked under supervision. _____

Supervisor(s) name(s) _____

d. If you have passed the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP) please indicate your score: _____

II. Please list the names and addresses of the professionals you have asked to provide a letter of recommendation for your admission to the Psy.D. program:

III. Employment History/Professional Experience (attach additional sheets as necessary):

Please list below your employment history, beginning with your most recent employer and going in reverse chronological order. Please include any administrative, supervisory, or organizational experience in addition to professional psychological work experience.

Employer	Job Title	Dates of Employment	Duties

Please list all memberships in professional organizations and any offices held in those organizations.

Organization Name	Dates of Membership	Office(s) Held

Please list any professional publications you have authored or co-authored. Also list any unpublished research or professional presentations (e.g., local, state, regional, or national conferences/meetings) in which you have been involved. Please indicate the date, content, and scope of your involvement. Attach additional sheets as necessary.

Describe any teaching experience you have had.

Title of Class	Location of Class	Date(s) Class Taught

For those applying in the post-BA track, list any graduate-level coursework you have completed:

Title of Course	Grade	School	Year Completed

For those applying to the post-MA track, list all non-degree program graduate coursework:

Title of Course	Grade	School	Year Completed

IV. If you have ever been convicted of or pled guilty to a felony, or if you have been the subject of an ethics complaint please describe here:

V. Personal Statement:

Please write a personal statement that will provide the admissions committee with some insight into why you have chosen to pursue a doctoral degree in clinical psychology that emphasizes work in rural areas. Please be sure to address the following, as well as any other areas you feel are pertinent:

1. Describe the experiences that lead you to be interested in the field of psychology.
2. Describe your specific interests as they pertain to the practice of psychology in rural and underserved areas.
3. Describe experiences that you feel have prepared you specifically for the study of clinical psychology and ultimately the practice of clinical psychology in underserved areas.
4. Outline the goals you hope to achieve while enrolled in the program.
5. Outline the goals you hope to achieve in your post-doctoral career.
6. Discuss your personal strengths that you feel will be your greatest assets during your time in the doctoral program.
7. Discuss any personal weaknesses that you feel could hinder your progress and outline strategies for dealing with those weaknesses.
8. If you feel that any portion of the material presented in your application do not accurately reflect your academic skills or background knowledge (e.g., grades, GRE scores, etc.), please explain why this is the case.

Your personal statement will remain confidential among the faculty and administrators of the program.

VI. Please have at least three individuals who are familiar with your abilities relevant to doctoral-level study complete the recommendation form. Once completed, the writer should place the form and letter in an envelope, sign across the seal, and return to you to be included in your application packet.

Under penalty of exclusion or expulsion from the Psy.D. program at Marshall University, I attest that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature and date

Return this Supplemental Application, copies of official transcripts, all letters of recommendation, and your personal statement to:

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