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# JOIN THE DIVISION OF CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY AS A TRAINEE

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE**



Division of  
Clinical Psychology  
Pre-Qualification Group



# JOIN THE LARGEST PROFESSIONAL BODY FOR CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGISTS IN THE UK

**PARTICIPATE IN THE WIDER**

**BPS COLLECTIVE WITH OUR**

**ACADEMIC AND OTHER**

**APPLIED COLLEAGUES**

DCP is a key player in every aspect of your career. We represent the profession in all training and workforce matters and work to influence policy makers and leaders in national and local settings.

Our work was instrumental in the maintenance of trainee salaries when bursaries seemed likely. We have worked closely with Health Education England to achieve the significant 40% increase in training places over the last three years.

We have worked closely with the funders of training in England, Scotland, N. Ireland and Wales to achieve the really significant increases in training places over the last three years.

## **WHAT THE DCP CAN DO FOR YOU?**

- Dedicated support and encouragement for aspiring and trainee clinical psychologists through our Pre-Qualification Group.
- *Clinical Psychology Forum* – a clinical psychologist-led magazine published on a monthly basis.
- Access to the free DCP mentorship and leadership support schemes.

- You can join our Faculties. This is a great opportunity to network with others in your clinical areas of interest including: Children, Young People and Families, Intellectual Disabilities, Oncology and Palliative care.
- You'll receive regular email newsletters from DCP, including the Covid Bulletin, and any network you are part of to keep you up to date with all relevant professional developments.
- Access to a wide variety of CPD to help maintain HCPC registration.
- Publications and guidance for your use and to share with managers, colleagues or service users.
- You can apply for bursaries to attend events.

**EXPLORE MORE ABOUT THE DCP AND WHAT WE DO ON OUR [WEBSITE](#).**

**WE ARE COMMITTED TO WORKING  
IN CO-PRODUCTION WITH EXPERTS BY  
EXPERIENCE AND TO PROMOTING EQUALITY,  
DIVERSITY, INCLUSION AND ANTI-RACISM.**



# TRAINEES ARE A SIGNIFICANT AND VALUED PART OF THE DCP

As a trainee DCP member you are automatically part of our Pre-Qualification Group – a professional home with like-minded people.

Another great bit of news is that leading up to and throughout your training, your DCP membership fees are reduced, saving you hard earned money year-on-year.



# DISCOVER BENEFITS THAT CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO YOU

## OPPORTUNITY AWAITS WHEN YOU JOIN. HERE'S A SUMMARY OF THE PERKS WHEN YOU JOIN THE PRE-QUALIFICATION GROUP.

### WHAT IS THE PQG?

The PQG offers representation for everyone on their journey to becoming clinical psychologists. Members include individuals who are considering, actively applying, or currently studying on a UK Doctorate in Clinical Psychology training programme. PQG aims to ensure members' voices are shared, heard, and acted on within the profession. As a PQG member, you will receive specific benefits including:

### PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

- Enjoy reduced rates for our PQG and DCP conferences and workshops.
- Receive regular email updates from our team, keeping your finger on the pulse with important information, events and activities.
- As a DCP member, you have access to a monthly edition of *Clinical Psychology Forum* with the latest updates from the world of clinical psychology and associated research articles.
- Make the most of discounted rates and free access to insightful documents produced by the division.
- Join our [DCP online community](#) and share knowledge, ask questions and network with other trainees and practicing clinical psychologists.

## SUPPORT

- Be acknowledged for your innovative research and practice at both pre-doctoral and doctoral level through the Pre-Qualification Group Award. Entering for this award could win you the chance to present at the DCP annual conference.
- Enjoy funded local events and activities, exclusively for members.
- Find your local pre-training support group, or ‘assistant groups’ as we sometimes call them. These peer-support groups help those who are looking to gain a place on a specific training course.

## REPRESENTATION

- You can make sure your needs are heard and incorporated into the activities of the DCP and BPS by joining the PQG committee and be a representative on faculty and local branch committees. The PQG co-chairs sit on the DCP executive committee and represent you at the heart of the organisation.

- Our committee takes part in national working groups as well as a host of other DCP committees.
- We love to involve you in shaping our future. That’s why we recently consulted trainees on their views about the accreditation standards for clinical psychology doctorate courses and published a report about pre-training groups.
- Disseminate your work and write about hot topics by submitting an article or topic for inclusion in the *Clinical Psychology Forum*.

**AND IT’S WELL WORTH FOLLOWING US ON SOCIAL MEDIA. WE SHARE REGULAR UPDATES, THE LATEST INSIGHTS AND INFORMATION ABOUT THE WORLD OF CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY!**



**CONTACT THE COMMITTEE AT  
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**FIND OUT MORE AT  
BPS.ORG.UK/DCP**

# MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR **BPS** **MEMBERSHIP**

**CREATING YOUR BPS MEMBERSHIP IS THE  
IMPORTANT FIRST STEP YOU NEED TO TAKE  
TO JOIN US.**

If you have achieved a 2:2 in an undergraduate degree accredited by the BPS, or have completed an accredited conversion course, you are eligible for graduate membership.

As soon as your membership starts, you can really put your professional voice to good use and access a number of benefits.

## **GRADUATE MEMBERSHIP**

You can use the title MBPsS in recognition of your professional status and academic achievement – giving you the upper hand in the jobs market. It also sets you

on the road towards becoming a chartered member – a prestigious achievement that showcases the highest standard of knowledge and expertise in psychology.

## **THE PSYCHOLOGIST AND BPS EMAIL NEWSLETTERS**

Our topical monthly magazine, *The Psychologist* opens up a diverse forum for discussion and debate. You can also receive our regular e-newsletters with updates on memberships, events and job opportunities. What you receive can be personalised through your unique online members' portal.

## **CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

You can get discounts on webinars and e-learning modules, created by psychologists for psychologists on our new platform [BPS Learn](#).

All the courses are available online so you can continue to develop your skills at a time and place that suits you.

## **JOURNALS**

You'll have free online access to our 11 BPS journals as well as an extensive range of 32 additional titles published by Wiley-Blackwell. We've formed a brilliant relationship with EBSCO – giving all members free access to the Psychology & Behavioural Sciences Collection (PBSC) journals database and the EBSCO Discovery Centre.

## **SUPPORTING PUBLICATIONS**

Generous discounts are available when purchasing other publications and guidance produced by our member networks.

## **DISCOUNTED BOOKS AND READING MATERIALS**

Further page-turning discounts are open to graduate members to help with your studies and personal development, including 30% off books from Wiley-Blackwell and 20% off selected books from Oxford University Press.

## **ONLINE COMMUNITIES**

As well as the DCP online community, you can join Member Connect, the online community for all BPS members. Start sharing knowledge and networking with thousands of psychologists from across the profession.

## **GRANTS**

Last but not least, don't forget that as a graduate member you can also apply for research and public engagement grants through the BPS and join local branches, giving you the opportunity to meet fellow psychologists in your region.

BPS graduate memberships can cost as little as £38.04 per year. You can apply for both your graduate and PQG membership at [BPS.ORG.UK/GRADUATE](https://www.bps.org.uk/graduate)

# DCP – MAKING A DIFFERENCE

THROUGH THE COMMITMENT AND SOLIDARITY OF OUR  
MEMBERSHIP, WE CREATE A POWERFUL VOICE THAT  
CONTINUALLY RAISES THE PROFILE OF PSYCHOLOGY.

- We are committed to taking the profession forward, increasing diversity, developing professional standards, encouraging research and disseminating knowledge.
- We champion both the work of our members and the contribution psychology can make to society.



# WHAT DOES IT COST?

Becoming a BPS member is the first important step you need to take to join the DCP.

If you've achieved a 2:2 in an undergraduate degree accredited by the BPS, or have completed a BPS accredited conversion course, you're eligible for graduate membership.

Graduate membership costs £38.04, plus a one-off (non-refundable) application fee of £32 for non-members.

## BPS MEMBERSHIP COST

Postgraduate students or those enrolled on a BPS qualification, <b>including trainees</b>	£38.04
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## DCP MEMBERSHIP COST

Division of Clinical Psychology membership fee	£16.00
Additional Faculty memberships	£10–£30

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# HOW DO I JOIN?

## BECOMING A MEMBER IS EASY

1. Complete our membership form at [BPS.ORG.UK/GRADUATE](https://www.bps.org.uk/graduate)
2. Remember to select Division of Clinical Psychology when asked which network you'd like to join
3. Pay quickly and easily online
4. Our membership team will do the rest!

## IF YOU'RE ALREADY A BPS MEMBER

1. Visit [BPS.ORG.UK/DCP](https://www.bps.org.uk/dcp)
2. Select How to join the DCP
3. Then go to Apply to join the DCP (graduate, chartered and in-training members)
4. Log-in to the Portal with your BPS username and password
5. Complete the membership form and we'll do the rest!

If you need help please email: [MEMBERSHIP@BPS.ORG.UK](mailto:MEMBERSHIP@BPS.ORG.UK)



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WELCOMING YOU TO OUR  
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