

GRADUATE PROGRAM IN CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY	
	Reserved Admissions for Indigenous Students in the Graduate Program in Clinical Psychology
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The Graduate Program in Clinical Psychology is committed to equity, diversity, and inclusion, and we emphasize training opportunities for Indigenous students. In keeping with the University's Indigenous Strategy <a href="https://indigenous.usask.ca/ohpahotan-oohpaahotaan/index.php">https://indigenous.usask.ca/ohpahotan-oohpaahotaan/index.php</a>, it is the policy of the Graduate Program in Clinical Psychology to reserve 15%\* (i.e., 3 out of a cohort of 20) of its planned admission cohort for Indigenous students who have the necessary academic and related qualifications, such as an undergraduate degree in psychology, and whose academic average is above 80%. We will consider the applications from Indigenous students applying for these reserved admissions wholistically and consider the statement of intent, reference letters, and CV in addition to the academic transcript. Information from reference letters, academic average, CV, statement of intent, and performance in clinical admissions interviews will be used to rank the competitiveness of applicants. A willing research supervisor must be available, but the clinical program can help provide students with connecting with a potential supervisor. In any given admission cycle, if no Reserved Admissions are used, the Reserved Admissions will be released to the general pool of admissions.

Verification of Indigenous Membership/Citizenship at the University of Saskatchewan is led and determined by the deybwewin | taapwaywin | tapewin: Indigenous Truth policy and Standing Committee. Verification of Indigenous Membership/Citizenship with documentation is a condition of acceptance for these Reserved Admissions. The documents required as outlined by the deybwewin | tapewin: Indigenous Truth policy must be submitted one month before the application deadline for the clinical psychology program. We also encourage applications from Indigenous students who have not completed the Verification of Indigenous Membership/Citizenship, but we will consider these applications for admission for seats outside the Reserved Admissions for Indigenous students.

Please visit: <u>https://indigenous.usask.ca/indigenous-initiatives/deybwewin-taapwaywin-taapwewin.php</u> to proceed through the verification system.

If you have any questions or require additional information about deybwewin | taapwaywin | tapwewin please contact: <u>indigenoustruthpolicy@usask.ca</u>.

This policy replaces the previous commitment by the Graduate Program in Clinical Psychology to provide any self-identified Indigenous student with a guaranteed clinical interview in order to



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be consistent with the University of Saskatchewan deybwewin | taapwaywin | tapewin: Indigenous Truth policy.

\* This percentage is similar to the 14% of USask students who are enrolled and who identify as Indigenous.