

Admission Requirements

Graduate Advanced Counselling Psychotherapy Diploma (C. Psych)

Graduate Advanced Art Counselling Psychotherapy Diploma (C. Art Psych)

Online

Portside Art and Relational Therapy Institute, Port Stanley, ON

Applicants to the C. Psych program and the C. Art Psych program are required to provide the following:

Completed online application

Application fee of \$150 (CAD)

Official undergraduate transcript and proof of obtainment of a bachelor's degree or equivalent

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Resume and statement of interest

Two letters of reference from professional or academic sources

Detailed course descriptions if applying for transfer credit consideration

Completed relevant work/volunteer experience attestation form if applicable

*All official transcripts need to be sealed, stamped, and sent directly from the issuing institution to our Admissions Services Department for evaluation.

Portside Art Institute prides itself on attracting students to the C. Psych program from diverse backgrounds. Accordingly, we are pleased to accept applications from prospective students that meet the criteria in one of the following admissions pathways. These pathways ensure prospective students are prepared for graduate courses in the C. Psych program and subsequent practicum.

PATHWAY I

Undergraduate Study with a transferrable major and/or minor (psychology, nursing, social work, sociology, human development, education).

Expected to include:

Biological bases of behavior (e.g., physiological psychology, comparative psychology, neuropsychology, psychopharmacology).

Cognitive-affective bases of behavior (e.g., learning, sensation, perception, cognition, thinking, motivation, emotion).

Social basis of behavior (e.g., social psychology; cultural, ethnic, and group processes; sex roles; organizational and systems theory).

Individual behavior (e.g., personality theory, human development, individual differences, abnormal psychology).

PATHWAY II

Non-transferrable major or minor, with some (at least 2 courses with C grade or higher) transferrable post-secondary university courses/credits completed.

Pathway II

Non-transferable diploma with appropriate hours of training/certification.

Appropriate areas: psychology, sociology, social work, neuroscience, counseling, mental health, drug/alcohol treatment, mediation, organizational behavior/psychology, criminal justice, human resources, children/youth/families, community services, nursing/elder care.

PATHWAY IV

Non-transferable courses or diploma, with a minimum of 150 hours of relevant work/volunteer experience. Applicants who may need to apply through this pathway can access the C. Psych relevant work/volunteer attestation form [here](#).

Examples of acceptable relevant work/volunteer experience:

crisis phone, youth behavioral support, homeless shelter, domestic violence support, drug/alcohol treatment, mediation, organizational behavior/psychology, human resources, criminal/justice, children/youth/families, community services, nursing/elder care.

Have questions about our admissions pathways? Please complete this form and an admissions advisor will be happy to assist.

In addition, applicants are required to have:

A cumulative grade point average (CGPA) in undergraduate study of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 or 4.3 scale, or a GPA of at least 3.0 in the final 60 undergraduate credits taken. Applicants may be conditionally admitted with a GPA between 2.5 and 2.99 if strength of overall application is sufficient.

Preference will be given to students who have successfully completed undergraduate courses amounting to either a major or minor in psychology, related social sciences, or allied health professions such as social work.

Portside ART Institute reserves the right to refuse admission and ask admitted students to withdraw from the program in special circumstances.

For full details of admissions requirements, please see the Academic Calendar.

Please have your references for admission to our Graduate Advanced Counselling Psychotherapy (C. Psych)

International Transcripts

International transcripts must be evaluated.

The Institute reserves the right to refuse admission to any student whose proficiency of English does not meet the program standards and to ask any student whose written work is below acceptable standards to withdraw from the program.