Eligibility Criteria

Student applications for jSchool – the event that enables formal induction to the JRP – open each year in spring. Before submitting your application, please read carefully through the following document and confirm that you are eligible to participate in the jSchool. You may also want to try our eligibility checker if you are not sure about the below information.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

The following criteria will clarify if you are eligible to apply:

A) You are currently (see item C) enrolled in a full degree programme in psychology meeting European Higher Education Framework equivalent of Bachelor or Master. You must have completed at least 45 ECTS but not more than 360 (cumulative) ECTS, or have completed at least one semester and started an additional semester according to the US system, at the time of your application. You must not have completed more than six years in your current field of study (including both your undergraduate and postgraduate studies).

B) The university where you are currently enrolled is in a country with a national psychological organisation recognised by the American Psychological Association or the European Federation of Psychologists’ Associations.

C) Your current enrolment status is active during the calendar year (2020 in this case), meaning you have not graduated prior to 1 January 2020 from your course. Students that have finished their coursework but are completing exams, a mandatory placement/practicum/internship, or a thesis during 2020 are eligible. Anyone graduating during 2019 with no more than 360 ECTS (cumulative) is eligible to apply.

D) Your application will be eligible if you are completing a second postgraduate (non-doctoral) degree and have accumulated more than 360 total ECTS. However, priority will go to students who may not have yet had the opportunity to participate in such activities.

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1 If your country does not have such an association, you should contact the JSchool Team to check if you are eligible. This condition is typically in place due to ensure access to ethical review committees.

2 Anyone that has graduated prior to 2020 but will begin a new, eligible course in 2020, and is otherwise eligible to apply, should contact the JSchool Team regarding eligibility.
E) You have **not** started a doctoral (PhD or otherwise) programme.

F) Your primary degree should explicitly be in psychology as defined by the APA Undergraduate Guidelines for psychology or the general APA Accreditation Guide for postgraduate study. Note that these standards apply no matter in what country you study. If you are unsure if your institution meets this criterion, we advise you to check with the appropriate authorities in your university of study.

G) If your university does not explicitly offer psychology but an equivalent degree, we advise you to communicate with us in advance of your application. We will inform you if this will be considered eligible.

H) You are **not** eligible if you have graduated on any date in 2019 (or earlier) or at any point prior with no continued study at the appropriate level in 2020.

I) You are **not** eligible if your primary course of study is not psychology or a directly related equivalent degree.

J) There is no nationality requirement for selection to the programme but a minimum of 30 places will be given to students currently studying in universities based in Council of Europe states\(^3\) \(^4\). If additional places are available after the initial 30 places are filled, applicants from outside the Council of Europe may be considered, under the condition that they can obtain necessary tourist visas in order to attend compulsory JRP events, in particular the JRP Conference in August 2021. The jSchool can provide an invitation letter for successful applicants who require it, but all tasks and costs related to appropriate travel documents are

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\(^3\) Note that the Council of Europe is different from the European Union. CoE consists of 47 member states, which is what we use to determine eligibility.

\(^4\) Selections are not made on nationality or geographic representation. However, a minimum of 20 nationalities must be represented, which typically limits jSchool selection to a maximum of three students from a given country.
entirely the responsibility of the applicant. Precise needs should be known in advance of applying.

K) So long as you are legally studying and residing in a Council of Europe state, you are eligible for selection to the first 36 places. For those studying and residing outside the Council of Europe, please be aware that we are not able to sponsor visas and provide letters for visa applications. However, we can provide a letter stating your acceptance into the programme.

L) You should have an advanced level of English. While some level of understanding is given for those who have not engaged in an international event of this type in the past, it is vital that you are comfortable communicating, following technical presentations, and writing in English.

M) You must be over 18 years of age.