Postgraduate Diploma in High Intensity Psychological Interventions (HIPI)

**High Intensity IAPT HIPI Trainee Recruitment Requirements**

**Candidate requirements**

* Candidates must have a first degree in an allied discipline or equivalent (usually Psychology) in order to be considered.
* Candidates from a PWP background must have been qualified and practising as a PWP for **at least two years at the start date of the course** (from the date on their certificate) in order to meet national expectations.
* Candidates from a core profession background must have **at least two years post-qualification experience at the start date of the course**.
* Candidates are unable to progress through the recruitment process if they are already registered on a Health Education England (HEE) funded programme.
* Candidates must either meet one of the following BABCP core mental health profession requirements OR complete a KSA (see below):
  + Arts Therapists – HCPC Registered
  + Counselling – Accreditation with the BACP, IACP, COSCA, or FDAP (NCAC) -  Registration with these organisations isn't sufficient
  + Medicine – Psychiatrist or General Practitioner, MBChB or MBBS, and usually PG training with membership of MRCGP, MRCP or MRCPsych
  + Occupational Therapy – BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy, MSc Occupational Therapy, or Dip C.O.T and HCPC Registered
  + Psychotherapy/ Psychotherapeutic Counselling - UKCP Registration
  + Registered Nurse – Mental Health (RMN), or Learning Disability (General Nursing and Enrolled Nursing is insufficient)
  + Social Work – CQSW, DipSW, MA Social Work, or BA/BSc Hons Social Work. Registered with one of four UK regulators - Social Work England (SWE), Social Care Wales (SCW), Northern Ireland Social Care Council (NISCC) and Scottish Social Services Council (SSSC)
  + Postgraduate Doctorate in Clinical/Counselling Psychology - accredited by the British Psychological Society and HCPC Registered as Practitioner Psychologist
  + Educational Psychology - Doctorate or QEPS - must have BPS Chartership (CPsychol) and HCPC Registration as Practitioner Psychologist
  + Health Psychology - QHP stage 2 - must have BPS Chartership (CPsychol) and HCPC Registration as Practitioner Psychologist
  + Forensic Psychology - QFP stage 2 - must have BPS Chartership (CPsychol) and HCPC Registration as Practitioner Psychologist

**KSA portfolio**

Candidates who do not meet recognised core mental health profession requirements must complete and submit an electronic **completed** Knowledge, Skills and Attitudes (KSA) portfolio to [admin@sheffield.ac.uk](mailto:admin@sheffield.ac.uk)

A KSA portfolio has a number of criteria which must all be met by every applicant. There are some backgrounds which mean that the applicant has already met a number of the criteria, and can therefore provide a condensed KSA. Other backgrounds mean that the applicant must complete all of the sections. Further details on the KSA, and what sections candidates must complete, can be found here:

<https://babcp.com/Accreditation/Provisional-Accreditation/Knowledge-Skills-and-Attitudes>

If the candidate is successful at interview the training place will be ratified after the KSA has been assessed as being of a suitable standard by the University.

**KSA portfolio**

* All KSA candidates should check the BABCP website to confirm which sections of the KSA portfolio they need to complete.
* KSA candidates must produce a statement for each of the relevant KSA criteria and list the supporting evidence that they have provided.
* Each statement is expected to include illustrative examples and sufficient depth of information to demonstrate how the candidate meets equivalence of core professional training in this area.
* In order to be accepted on the course the KSA (or condensed KSA where appropriate) needs to be fully completed.
* For criteria that require a reference or a counter-signature, these **should** be included at this point.
* Candidates will be eligible to apply for BABCP provisional practitioner accreditation 12 months after meeting the KSA requirements.
* Candidates whose KSA portfolio is not of the required standard will not be eligible to enrol on the training and will not receive feedback on their KSA