

# BEHV 7011 CLINICAL PSYCHOPATHOLOGY 2

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 101813

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**Description** This subject continues the study of clinical psychopathology. Students will examine the nature and assessment of a range of complex psychopathological syndromes, including schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders; eating disorders; personality disorders; substance-related disorders; dissociative disorders; and sexual and gender identity disorders and psychopathology presentations in diverse contexts (such as forensic settings and working with families).

**School** Psychology

**Discipline** Psychology

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 1 10cp

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**Level** Postgraduate Coursework Level 7 subject

**Pre-requisite(s)** BEHV 7010

**Restrictions**

Students must be enrolled in 1812 Master of Clinical Psychology.

## Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Describe the diagnostic features and associated characteristics of psychopathological problems likely to be encountered in clinical practice
2. Describe the diagnostic features and associated characteristics of more complex less common, and co-morbid psychopathology diagnostic categories.
3. Apply the current major theories of the aetiologies of these disorders, identify vulnerability and resilience factors, and treatment alternatives
4. Develop skills in complex clinical formulations that are built upon theories, diagnostic characteristics and tailored to individual clients within their unique contexts
5. Develop clinical skills in the recognition of the various psychopathological issues and, where appropriate, the need for referral or involvement of other specialist services and health practitioners.
6. Develop skills in report writing for complex psychopathological issues that includes a comprehensive diagnostic formulation for the foundation for the proposed intervention

## Subject Content

Schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders  
Feeding and eating disorders  
Personality disorders  
Substance-related disorders  
Sexual dysfunctions  
Sleep/wake disorders

Dissociative disorders  
Common psychopathological disorders in Forensic populations  
Somatic symptom and related disorders  
Family systems assessment

## Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task	Mandatory
Case Study	3,000 words	40	Y	Individual	Y
Final Exam	2 hours	60	Y	Individual	Y