

Chapter 2: Becoming a Clinical Psychologist

1. According to the text, the largest percentage of acceptances per number of applications (i.e., the program is easiest to get into) for which of the following types of doctoral-level clinical graduate programs?
- APA accredited PsyD
 - Practice oriented PhD
 - Research oriented PhD
 - Non-accredited programs

Answer: A

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Type: Factual

2. According to the text, the percentage of acceptances per number of applications is lowest (i.e., the program is hardest to get into) for which of the following types of doctoral level clinical graduate programs?
- APA accredited PsyD
 - Practice oriented PhD
 - Research oriented PhD
 - Non-accredited programs

Answer: C

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Type: Factual

3. In regards to clinical doctorate programs, slightly more than ____ % of applicants to an APA accredited PsyD program are accepted compared to slightly more than ____ % into a practice-oriented PhD program.
- 30; 5
 - 40; 10
 - 50; 20
 - 60; 30

Answer: B

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Type: Factual

4. The most common theoretical approach for all types of clinical programs is:
- Psychodynamic.
 - Systems.
 - Humanistic.
 - Cognitive-behavioral.

Answer: D

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Type: Factual

5. Roughly a third of all APA-accredited PsyD programs and practice-oriented programs have a _____ theoretical orientation.
- Psychodynamic
 - Systems
 - Humanistic
 - Cognitive-behavioral

Answer: A

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Type: Factual

6. Bronwyn has just started a research oriented clinical PhD program. It is highly unlikely that her program will have which theoretical orientation?
- Psychodynamic
 - Systems
 - Humanistic
 - Cognitive-behavioral

Answer: A

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Type: Applied

7. Justus has just enrolled in a practice-oriented clinical PhD program. His program is most likely to have a _____ theoretical orientation.
- Psychodynamic
 - Systems
 - Humanistic
 - Cognitive-behavioral

Answer: D

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Type: Applied

8. Pilar has just started an APA accredited clinical PsyD program. It is highly unlikely that her program will have which theoretical orientation?
- Psychodynamic
 - Systems
 - Humanistic
 - Cognitive-behavioral

Answer: C

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Type: Applied

9. Generally speaking, it is unlikely that a student applying to a prestigious clinical or counseling doctoral program will be accepted unless their GPA is at least:
- 2.5.
 - 3.0.
 - 3.5.
 - 4.0.

Answer: C
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Type: Factual

10. Dominic is applying to clinical doctorate programs. For his application he will need to take the:
- a. GMAT.
 - b. LSAT.
 - c. MCAT.
 - d. GRE.

Answer: D
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Type: Applied

11. GRE stands for:
- a. Getting Rationale Expedience.
 - b. Graduate Record Examination.
 - c. Graduate Reporting Excellence.
 - d. Gaining Rapid Exclusion.

Answer: B
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Type: Factual

12. The part of the GRE that measures reasoning is the:
- a. Quantitative section.
 - b. Verbal section.
 - c. Analytical section.
 - d. Qualitative section.

Answer: C
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Type: Factual

13. Ronaldo is taking the GRE and gets to the section that involves thinking about formulas and mathematics. This is the ____ section.
- a. Quantitative
 - b. Verbal
 - c. Analytical
 - d. Qualitative

Answer: A
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Type: Factual

14. Most clinical graduate schools operate via:
- a. Large graduate classes.
 - b. Mentor-style relationships.
 - c. Mostly practicums.
 - d. Lecture-only courses.

Answer: B
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Type: Factual

15. Letters of recommendation for graduate school applications should come from:
- a. Friends.
 - b. Family.
 - c. Neighbors.
 - d. Professors.

Answer: D
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Type: Factual

16. According to the text, the biggest potential stumbling block for a clinical graduate student is:
- a. Working while going to school.
 - b. Competition between students.
 - c. Getting along with faculty.
 - d. One's own research.

Answer: D
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Type: Factual

17. Sakura is in a clinical PhD program; her biggest problem is likely to be:
- a. Working while going to school.
 - b. Competition between students.
 - c. Getting along with faculty.
 - d. Her own research.

Answer: D
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Type: Applied

18. Another word for licensing in clinical psychology is:
- a. Registered.
 - b. Bonafide.
 - c. Qualified.
 - d. Certified.

Answer: A
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Type: Factual

19. If you are _____ insurance carriers are not likely to pay you for your services.
- a. not licensed
 - b. unbonafide
 - c. unqualified
 - d. uncertified

Answer: A
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Type: Factual

20. Solo practitioners that are highly specialized and work with the same type of clients and issues for many years may:
- need supervision.
 - develop inappropriate feeling for patients.
 - experience burnout.
 - be more likely to get in trouble with the accrediting board.

Answer: C
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Essay Questions

- Briefly describe the difference between a PhD and a PsyD.
- The type of program to which a student applies to affects what the theoretical orientation of the program may be. Briefly describe the two primary forms of theoretical orientation for each of the following types of programs: APA accredited PsyD, practice-oriented PhD, and research-oriented PhD.
- Briefly describe the following components of applications for clinical graduate programs: GRE, GPA, statement of interest, letters of recommendation.
- What are some of the factors that influence whether someone goes for postdoctoral training?