

# COURSE INFORMATION SHEET 2026/27

## HOW TO APPLY & INTERVIEW DATES

Please read the below information before submitting your application form

### General Application Information | Foundation Certificate

- We operate a rolling admissions process for the Foundation Certificate, we therefore encourage you to apply as early as possible
- The application processing fee is £60; this is for all applications and is non-refundable. This will be requested with an interview invitation
- References: two references need to be submitted before your interview date. A place being offered will depend on both references being received. References cannot be from a family member or your therapist
- Following interview and offer of place, you will be required to pay a deposit for the course within two weeks
- Acceptance of a place on this course is a contractual commitment to pay the full fee and refunds are not permitted if for any reason you do not complete the stage
- Throughout training you are required to be in personal counselling or psychotherapy (in person), with a therapist from our approved list (a minimum of 35 hours per year), which will cost from a minimum of £45 an hour
- Due to bank charges on international payments there is an additional £10 charge
- Please note that our training requires attendance **in person**

For information about the Counselling and Psychotherapy Diplomas please click below: - [Guidelines-for-applicants-to-BCPCs-Professional-Training.pdf](#)



## Course Specific Information

### Listening Skills in a Diverse World

**Online:** 12, 19, 26 Jan, 02, 09, 23 Feb, 02, 09, 16, 23 March 2026

**In-person:** 28 April, 05, 12, 19 May, 02, 09, 16, 23 & 30 June, 07 July

(Please note the dates exclude Half-term)

### Foundation Certificate (commencing September 2026)

**Interview days 2026:**

**Sat 21 March (Full), Sat 18 April (Full), Sat 02 May (Full), Sun 14 June (Full)**

### Counselling Diploma (commencing September 2026)

**Application deadline: 01 May 2026**

**Interview day: Mon 01 June 2026**

**External applications:** for applicants who are not on the BCPC Foundation Certificate but hold an equivalence to the Foundation Certificate. Please see the website for entry requirements: <https://www.bcpc.org.uk/training-with-bcpc/diploma-entry-requirements>

**Internal applications:** for applicants who are on the Foundation Certificate or who have completed the Foundation Certificate in the last 2 years. Please use the internal application form available in the members area or the online application form. One of the references required will be from your tutor on the Foundation Certificate.

### Psychotherapy MA/Diploma (commencing September 2026)

**Application deadline: 01 May 2026**

**Interview day: Wed 03 June 2026**

**External applications:** for applicants who are not on the BCPC Foundation Certificate but hold an equivalence to the Foundation Certificate. Please see the website for entry requirements: <https://www.bcpc.org.uk/training-with-bcpc/diploma-entry-requirements>

**Applicants for MA Module 1** must have completed a course equivalent to the BCPC Counselling Diploma and be prepared to meet the APL/APEL requirements, which include writing an essay (as above).

**Internal applications:** for applicants who are on the Foundation Certificate or who have completed the Foundation Certificate in the last 2 years. Please use the internal application form available in the members area or the online application form. One of the references required will be from your tutor on the Foundation Certificate.

## Course Dates 2026/2027

(all courses are held in Bath)

### Half-Term Dates

**Term 1:** Mon 26 Oct – Sun 01 Nov 2026

**Term 2:** Mon 15 Feb – Sun 21 Feb 2027

**Term 3:** Mon 31 May – Sun 06 Jun 2027

### Foundation Certificate (see above for Half-term dates)

| DAY/TIME      | Wednesdays (2pm - 8:15pm) | Thursdays (10am - 4:30pm) | Fridays (10am - 4:30pm) |
|---------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Term 1</b> | 16 Sep – 02 Dec 2026      | 17 Sep – 03 Dec 2026      | 18 Sep - 04 Dec 2026    |
| <b>Term 2</b> | 06 Jan – 17 Mar 2027      | 07 Jan – 18 Mar 2027      | 08 Jan – 19 Mar 2027    |
| <b>Term 3</b> | 14 Apr – 07 Jul 2027      | 15 Apr -08 Jul 2027       | 16 Apr – 09 Jul 2027    |

### Counselling Diploma (see above for Half-term dates)

| DAY/TIME      | Year 1: Mondays (10am - 5.30pm) | Year 2: Tuesdays (10am - 5.30pm) |
|---------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>Term 1</b> | 14 Sep – 07 Dec 2026            | 15 Sep – 08 Dec 2026             |
| <b>Term 2</b> | 04 Jan – 22 Mar 2027            | 05 Jan – 23 Mar 2027             |
| <b>Term 3</b> | 12 Apr – 05 Jul 2027            | 13 Apr – 06 Jul 2027             |

### Psychotherapy MA/Diploma (see above for Half-term dates)

| DAY/TIME      | Year 1:<br>Wednesdays<br>10am - 4:30pm | Module 1:<br>Thursdays<br>10am – 4:30pm | Modules 2/3:<br>3 x Saturdays<br>10am - 4:30pm | Module 2<br>(Relational Process)<br>13 x Fridays<br>10am -4:30pm | Module 2<br>Weekend Course/s                  | Module 3<br>Weekend Course/s                       | Module 4:<br>18 x Fridays<br>10am - 4pm               |
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|               |  |   |  |  | Body Process                                  | Eco-Self & CEE                                     |   |
| <b>Term 1</b> | 16 Sep – 02 Dec 2026                   | 17 Sep – 03 Dec 2026                    | 10 Oct 2026                                    | 04, 11, 25 Sep<br>09, 23 Oct<br>06, 20 Nov<br>04 Dec 2026        |   | 12/13 Sep<br>26/27 Sep<br>17/18<br>October<br>2026 | 04, 18 Sep<br>02, 16 Oct<br>13, 27 Nov<br>11 Dec 2026 |
| <b>Term 2</b> | 06 Jan – 24 Mar 2027                   | 07 Jan – 25 Mar 2027                    | 30 Jan 2027                                    | 15, 29 Jan<br>12, 26 Feb<br>12 Mar 2027                          |   |  | 08, 22 Jan<br>05 Feb<br>05, 19 Mar<br>2027            |
| <b>Term 3</b> | 21 Apr – 07 Jul 2027                   | 22 Apr – 01 Jul 2027                    | 12 Jun 2027                                    |  | 17/18 April<br>08/09 May<br>22/23 May<br>2027 |  | 16, 30 Apr<br>14, 28 May<br>11, 25 Jun,<br>2027       |

## Course Fees 2026/27

| <b>Please note: all fees are subject to annual review to reflect inflationary pressures</b>  |             |   |
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|  | <b>Fees</b> | <b>Notes</b>  |
| <b>Listening Skills</b>  |             |   |
| 30 hour course   | £395        | No instalment option  |
| <b>Foundation Certificate</b>  |             |   |
| Wed, Thu or Fri  | £4,125      | Instalment option   |
| <b>You will need to budget for a minimum 35 hours therapy each year throughout the training (£45+ a week)</b>  |             |   |
| <b>Counselling Diploma – commencing on or after 1/9/2026</b>   |             |   |
| Year 1   | £3,885      | Instalment option   |
| Year 2   | £3,885      | Instalment option   |
| Year 3 (submission stage) <sup>Note 1</sup>  | £360        | Includes Annual Membership Fee  |
| Year 3 + 1 (& any subsequent years)  | £75         | Annual Membership Fee   |
| Year 3 + 1   | £475        | Diploma Submission Fee (for <b>all</b> submissions for the Oct 2026 and March 2027 deadlines) |
| <p>Note 1 For a Guide to C3 Submission Stage including fees, please see the Counselling Student Handbook Section 7<br/> <b>You will need to budget for a minimum 35 hours counselling each year throughout the training (£45+ a week) and private practice supervision from Term 2 of Year 2 onwards (£50 + a fortnight)</b></p>                                       |             |   |
| <b>Psychotherapy MA/Diploma – commencing on or after 1/9/2026</b>  |             |   |
| Year 1   | £3,885      | Instalment option   |
| Module 1   | £3,895      | Instalment option   |
| Module 2   | £3,895      | Instalment option   |
| Module 3   | £3,895      | Instalment option   |
| Module 4   | £3,895      | Instalment option   |
| Module 5   | £75         | Annual Membership Fee   |
| Module 5   | £590        | MA Submission Fee   |
| <p>Please note that students who take a sabbatical will need to pay the £75 membership fee.<br/> <b>You will also need to budget for: weekly psychotherapy throughout the training (from a minimum of £45 per week) as well as supervision from Module 1 onwards (at a minimum of £50 a fortnight) and in submission year for tutorials and reading fees (£55)</b></p> |             |   |
| <b>Other fees</b>  |             |   |
| Application Fee (Foundation & Diplomas) 2025/26  | £60         | Paid on application to course   |
| Additional tutorials (per 50 minute tutorial)  | £55         | Paid as and when required, direct to tutor  |
| Library Membership   | £10         | One off fee at start of course  |
| BCPC Student Membership (including sabbatical students)  | £75         | Annually until submission   |