
Announcement

Announcing the AIPR Certificate in Parapsychology and AIPR Advanced Certificate in Parapsychology

INTRODUCTION TO THE COURSES

The *AIPR Certificate in Parapsychology* and the *AIPR Advanced Certificate in Parapsychology* courses give students an education in the field of parapsychology by providing a comprehensive understanding and awareness of claims of, and evidence for, paranormal phenomena. The main aim of these courses is to instil in students an orientation towards parapsychology that gives them the capacity to:

- acquire and apply knowledge relevant to a range of areas in parapsychology
- appreciate the necessity of applying scientific principles to parapsychological studies
- understand the problems faced by researchers in the study of paranormal phenomena
- engage in critical thinking and objective evaluation of parapsychological research findings and other paranormal claims
- accept the view that parapsychology is an accumulative field of inquiry that grows through continual break-through in theory development and experimental discoveries
- communicate, clearly and concisely, basic assumptions and findings in the science of parapsychology

STRUCTURE OF THE COURSES

There are no other courses like these in Australia or overseas, but they follow the conventional higher-education (tertiary) course design. That is, they are comprised of specific units (i.e., learning-area modules of study), which cover a representative range of themes and issues in contemporary parapsychology.

The courses consist of integrated programs of readings, and most of these readings are accessed on-line through the Australian Institute of Parapsychological Research (AIPR), Incorporated. The AIPR acts as authorising institute and agent for the courses.

There is no entry requirement for enrolment, though students who have completed secondary school will be better suited to the demands of the courses. It is advised that students unfamiliar with formal scientific parapsychology, or have no training in the use of statistics to analyse quantitative data, complete the *Certificate* course first, before attempting the *Advanced Certificate*. Completion of either course in 5 (five) appropriate units leads to the award of the *AIPR Certificate in Parapsychology* or *AIPR Advanced Certificate in Parapsychology*.

FEES

As a special introductory offer, and for a limited time only, the fee for a unit will be AUD\$125.00 (USD\$96.00; EUR€75.00; GBP£50.00), except Contemporary Issues I and II which are AUD\$100.00 each (USD\$75.00; EUR€60.00; GBP£40.00). The standard fees are generally twice these amounts. Students who pay for 5 (five) units in advance will receive one year's free subscription to the *Australian Journal of Parapsychology* (published by AIPR in June and December) valued at AUD\$50.00 (USD\$38.00; EUR€30.00; GBP£20.00). If a unit is not attempted (i.e., an essay is not submitted and the student notifies an administrator of their withdrawal), payment for that unit is redeemable, but not in full (10% of the fee will be retained for administrative purposes). If a student fails a unit, the fee for that unit is not refundable.

Upon payment for a unit or units, the applicant will be sent a receipt and will be officially registered as a student. Unit outlines can be accessed from the AIPR webpage:

<http://aiprinc.org/courses.asp>

THE UNITS

Unit outlines contain links to the course material, which can be downloaded, including essay topics, relevant articles, most book chapters, and other support material. Students who do not have Internet access can have materials mailed to them. (Please note that Course material is accessible before payment so that informed choices about units can be made, but only enrolled students are entitled to submit assignments for assessment.)

AIPR Certificate in Parapsychology course units:

History of Parapsychology (1882-1932)
The Parapsychology of J. B. Rhine
Survival or Super-Psi?
Extra-Ordinary Paranormal Feats
Conspiracy and Controversy in Parapsychology
Parapsychology—Present and Future
Contemporary Issues in Parapsychology I (Open Unit)

AIPR Advanced Certificate in Parapsychology course units:

Methodology in Parapsychology (recommended)
Experimental Issues in Parapsychology
Sociological and Phenomenological Issues in Parapsychology
Survival Issues in Parapsychology
Characteristics of Believers in the Paranormal
Psi and Mainstream Science
The Theory of Psychopraxia
Synchronicity and Psi
Parapsychology and Astrology
Contemporary Issues in Parapsychology II (Open Unit)

For more information, please visit the AIPR website at:

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