



Psychology

Who is this course for?

This is your opportunity to spend some time finding out about probably the most interesting thing in the world -YOU!

The single greatest challenge we face is to understand ourselves as a species and gain a better insight into how our brains and our minds make us the people we are.

It is a highly relevant area of study. Just take a look around and you will see psychologists working in a variety of contexts. Psychologists help Police catch criminals, help businesses sell products, work with people to improve their lives and of course are invaluable in helping sports people achieve gold medals!

What will I study?

Year 1	Year 2
Social Influence	Issues and Debates
Cognitive Psychology	Schizophrenia
Developmental Psychology	Forensic Psychology
Psychopathology	Gender
Biopsychology	Research Methods and Statistics

This course offers you a broad and interesting introduction to the field of Psychology. There is a focus on the real life application of psychology across many aspects of human activity and endeavour, for example in relation to the effects of advertising, research into criminal behaviour and ways of dealing with crime.

There are opportunities to carry out short practical investigations which help you understand all the main methods of research used in the study of psychology. You will be challenged to question your understanding of the world around you and prompted to reflect on the motivation and meaning of your own behaviour.

How will I be assessed?

Three examinations at the end of year 2, each exam is 2 hours long and consists of short answer and extended answer questions.

Course entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 5 or above in different subjects including English and Science. Grade 6 in maths recommended, although individual cases will be discussed.





What can I do with this qualification?

You can take it to degree level and go on to become a Clinical, Criminal, Occupational, Educational, Forensic or Legal Psychologist. You could work in hospitals, prisons, schools, and universities or within the Police and criminal system, advertising, the leisure and travel industries, the armed services, social work, insurance, sales, the media, market research and human resources and many more.

Also consider

Biology, Sociology, English, Maths Health and Social Care, Business, Sport and Exercise Science, History or Geography. Because Psychology is both scientific in its approach *and* requires analytical and critical skills it will work well with the majority of other courses.



With our impressive Sixth Form facilities, outstanding teaching and excellent results we are confident that we can offer you a successful route to university or employment.

