



PSYCHOLOGY

PSYCHOLOGY IS THE SCIENCE OF MIND AND BEHAVIOUR, AND THIS COURSE TAKES A SCIENTIFIC APPROACH TO LEARNING ABOUT KEY RESEARCH. THROUGHOUT THIS COURSE, YOU WILL LEARN HOW TO CONDUCT PSYCHOLOGICAL RESEARCH, ANALYSE DATA, AND FORMULATE CONCLUSIONS, AS WELL AS APPLYING PSYCHOLOGICAL THEORIES TO REAL LIFE.

TOPICS YOU'LL COVER

YEAR ONE

- Research methods: How to plan, conduct and analyse studies using different methodology in psychology
- Social psychology: Obedience and whistleblowing
- Biological psychology: How the brain functions
- Developmental psychology: How children learn
- Cognitive psychology: Memory for events and context
- Individual differences: Disorders.

YEAR TWO

- Issues in mental health: Historical context, diagnoses, treatment
- Child psychology: Pre-adult brain development, perceptual and cognitive development, attachment and impact of advertising on children
- Environmental psychology: Stressors in the environment, biological rhythms, recycling and conservation behaviours, ergonomics, psychological effects of built up environments and personal space and territory.

ASSESSMENT

100% examined at the end of the second year.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

At least five GCSEs at a grade 5 or above, including Maths, Science and English Language.

PROGRESSION POSSIBILITIES

CAREERS: Health and social care professional, educational and occupational psychologist, teacher, researcher, counsellor, clinical psychologist, health or sport psychologist.

UNIVERSITY STUDY: Psychology, Criminology, Law, Social science, Sociology, Nursing, Radiology, Pharmacology, Education, Social Work.

SKILLS DEVELOPED

- Report writing
- Research and data skills
- Analytical skills
- Critical thinking.

ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Disney trip
- Behind Bars conference
- Marwell Zoo

QUALIFICATION

A LEVEL

LEVEL

LEVEL 3

CURRENT EXAM BOARD

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CURIOS ABOUT... PSYCHOLOGY?



Watch- TED Talks on Psychology at [ted.com](https://www.ted.com)



Listen to psychology podcasts and discover more: 'Hidden Brain' 'All In The Mind' 'The Psychology Podcast' 'The Psych Files'.

Additional Information: You will be required to pay a course fee of £20 for materials and resources used in the course. If there are any issues with being able to pay these costs, please contact Richard Taunton Sixth Form College. A breakdown of the course contributions can be found on our website.

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