A LEVEL PSYCHOLOGY

If you are interested in people and curious to explore reasons for their behaviour, then this is the course for you. Successful Psychology students are scientists and apply objective research methods to answer fundamental questions about human beings.

Level 3 · A Level (or equivalent) · Truro College

TOP COURSE HIGHLIGHTS

FASCINATING TOPICS | RESEARCH AND SCIENCE LED | ONLINE BESPOKE RESOURCES | OPENS UP VARIOUS CAREER PATHWAYS

LOTS OF ONGOING SUPPORT

The A level Psychology team will offer you lots of ongoing support to help you achieve your potential both in class, via one to one termly reviews and online bespoke resources.

VIRTUAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

Our virtual learning environment covers every topic in detail and offers different types of resources from lecture notes, to videos and short quizzes. Online textbooks are also provided.

CAREERS PROGRAMME

Throughout the academic year guest speakers from psychology related professions deliver talks about their careers, voluntary work opportunities and workshops targeted at developing the skills and knowledge required to pursue a psychology related career.

WHY CHOOSE THIS COURSE?

Successful Psychology students have an appetite for understanding how scientific principles can be applied to human behaviour and high achieving Psychology students develop analytical and problem-solving skills, have a keen eye for detail and enjoy using evidence to develop academic arguments. Alongside psychological concepts and theories you will acquire desirable soft skills such as communication, team working and relationship building, and specific competences in data collection, statistical analysis and report writing. Psychology is unique in that it fits well with a wide range of other subjects from the Arts and Sciences.

WHAT WILL I LEARN?

A Level Psychology comprises 3 broad areas, each examined in three 2 hour papers (there is no coursework). Paper 1 covers introductory topics namely: Social Influence, Memory, Attachment and Psychopathology (OCD, Depression and Phobias). In Paper 2, you study a range of perspectives on human behaviour including Behaviourism and the Psychodynamic approach. You also study the brain and its influence on behaviour in biopsychology and research methods. Paper 3 comprises philosophical debates such as nature/nurture and issues with research such as culture and gender bias. You also study three topics in detail: Schizophrenia, Forensic Psychology and Gender.

FOR THE LATEST COURSE INFORMATION
Scan for assessment arrangements, learner support, confirmed start dates and how to apply.

WHERE WILL IT TAKE ME?

Whatever your career path, from Medicine to Law, Media to Business, Sport to Teaching or Criminology, Psychology provides you with an excellent foundation and a host of transferable skills essential for the modern world of work. Psychology is a valuable Social Science A Level providing a background for various employment opportunities including HR, marketing, teaching and health and social care. Further training and experience beyond degree level is required for professions such as Clinical or Forensic Psychology. Visit the British Psychological Society's website for information.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at Grade 4 or above, including a Grade 6 in English or a Humanities subject, and a Grade 5 in Maths or a Science. Students should be confident readers, able to write fluently and have good factual recall.

IMPORTANT

Course information can change. Please use the QR code below for the current assessment arrangements, entry requirements and start dates.

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