

A Level Psychology

The Course

Psychology is one of the most popular A Level subjects in the country.

Students must be willing to be engaged in learning from the onset as the content is vast and interesting. The course is considered a science and due to this students must be prepared to use mathematical and scientific concepts; however, along with this, students will need to have good analytical and written skills.

The Content

In the first year of study you will study topics such as Social Influence, Attachment, Memory and Psychopathology.

In the second year you will build on this knowledge studying options such as Relationships, Forensic Psychology and Schizophrenia. The subject matter is designed to ensure that psychology students have a broad understanding of the many approaches within the subject.

Some of the key studies we cover in the course include; Milgram's experiment on obedience; Zimbardo's Stanford Prison Experiment; Loftus' study on Eye Witness Testimony and Ainsworth's Strange Situations study on attachment. Students should investigate these further if they are interested in studying Psychology.

Assessment

100% examined. There is no coursework.

Subject entry requirements

GCSE Maths grade 5 or above, plus GCSE English Literature or Language grade 5 or above.

Pathways/Careers

Students go on to successfully study or work in many fields, including:

Law	Journalism	Biosciences	Business
Health Service	Media	Public Relations	Education
Government	Publishing	Sports Coaching	Healthcare
Civil Service	Counselling	Research	Criminology