Psychology

Level 3 Advanced GCE Advanced GCE in Psychology
(7182)

PSYCHOLOGY 2 YEAR A LEVEL

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Why should I study Psychology?

By studying Psychology you can gain valid scientific insights into many aspects of behaviour, from the effects of evolution through to the effect of others around you. In the first year of study, we begin with a broad view of topics within psychology, for example how we interact with each other, how we develop relationships with our parents and how we are influenced by others. We study how the major approaches in psychology view the subject, how they define abnormal behaviours and mental illnesses. In the second year you will apply your evaluation skills on topics such as relationships, gender schizophrenia, eating behaviours, forensics and addiction. You will also have the opportunity to carry out some research of your own and get first-hand experience of the methods psychology uses for research.

What skills can I gain from studying Psychology?

This course will give you insights into yourself, as well as others. You gain knowledge of human behaviour, including explanations of abnormal behaviour and how you develop through your life span. Psychology develops a range of valuable skills, including critical analysis, independent thinking and research. These skills are particularly relevant to young people and are transferable to further study and the workplace.

What career paths would Psychology be suitable for?

Students can access any careers or courses relating to human behaviour, and Psychology forms a component of many training courses where people are the main focus (Human Relations, Counselling, Advertising, Policing, Childcare, Medical careers etc.). For some universities Psychology counts as a science subject for entry, for others as a humanities subject.

Subject Combinations

Psychology would go well with:
Business/English/Health & Social Care/ICT/Sociology

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http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/psychology/as-and-a-level/psychology-7181-7182