



Course Title: Psychology

Qualification: A Level

Why should I study this course?	<p>A Level Psychology provides students with a broad introduction to Psychology as a Science. The emphasis is on applying knowledge and understanding and developing the skills of analysis, evaluation and critical thinking.</p> <p>At A2 a range of topic-based options bring together explanations from different approaches. Popular topics for Unit 3 include cognition and development, biological rhythms and sleep and relationships.</p> <p>The Psychology specification provides students with the opportunity to develop analytical skills, write essays and psychological reports. They will also develop their mathematical knowledge and research skills. These skills are all relevant and transferable to higher education courses of study or to the workplace.</p>
What you will study	<p>Year 12 – A Level Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social Influence• Memory• Attachment• Approaches in Psychology• Psychopathology• Research Methods <p>Year 13 – A Level Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Issues and debates in Psychology• Relationships• Schizophrenia• Forensic Psychology
Assessment	<p>Year 12 – A Level Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paper 1 – Introductory topics, 50%, 90 minutes.• Paper 2 – Psychology in context, 50%, 90 minutes. <p>Year 13 – A Level Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paper 1 – Introductory topics, 33.3%, 120 minutes.• Paper 2 – Psychology in Context, 33.3%, 120 minutes.• Paper 3 – Issues and Options, 33.3%, 120 minutes.
Prepares you for	<p>This will appeal to a cross-section of students, regardless of whether they have studied the subject before. It builds on skills developed in the sciences and humanities, and enables progression into a wide range of other subjects.</p>
Home Learning Requirements	<p>Students are given past exam questions as home learning assignments. This is to allow them to practice and perfect exam technique. This is an essential and non-negotiable part of the course.</p>
Grade Requirements	<p>A minimum of 5 GCSE'S at Grade 5 or above including English and Mathematics. It is recommended that you have at least a 5 in an English and a 5 in Maths</p>



	A good grade in GCSE Science an advantage.
Recommended Texts (available on LRC)	AQA Psychology for A Level Year 1 – Flanagan, Berry, Jarvis and Liddle