

Psychology



Why choose Psychology?

- Learn about people and why we do the things we do!
- Lots of discussions and group work.
- Experiment on your fellow students!
- Conduct an observation study at Chester Zoo.
- Excellent exam results.
- Excellent audio-visual equipment in Psychology room.
- Overlaps with a range of other subjects e.g. Biology, Sociology, Health and Social Care, English, PE, Law.
- The opportunity to specialise in Forensic Psychology, Health and Clinical Psychology or Psychology of Sport and Exercise in Year 13
- Many students progress on to a range of Psychology degrees.

AS Psychology Course Details

Core Studies

The course consists of 15 pieces of research on a range of different topics such as:

- Animal language
- Eye-witness Testimony
- Aggression
- Obedience
- Multiple Personality Disorder

Psychological Investigations - Students conduct 4 pieces of research including:

- Experiment
- Observation
- Questionnaire
- Correlation

Examination requirement

- Psychological Investigations (30%) - Written Paper (1hr)
- Core Studies (70%) Written Paper - Short answer questions and structured essays (2hrs)

Departmental information

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Department Location C20/G10

Student comments

“A very interesting subject that will allow you to express your own opinions and question others.”

“Very interesting and easy to understand and the teachers are friendly and helpful.”

“I like how the course is structured. The workbooks are ordered and are really easy to revise from.”

“The coursework is fun to do, especially when you go to Chester Zoo to observe the chimpanzees.”