



PSYCHOLOGY

Qualification: A-Level

Overview of subject:

The mind is something intangible that exists within our brain; an unseen process of enzymes, chemicals and electric currents. But why is it that some people suffer from stress or mental illness? Or that others are considered abnormal for deviating from social norms? Psychology looks at questions like these and more.

It's a fascinating science with cutting edge research that has real world applications that you are bound to find interesting.

Topics studied in the syllabus include:

- Sex and Gender
- Forensic Psychology
- Abnormal Psychology
- Schizophrenia
- Memory
- Social Influence
- Attachment
- Approaches in Psychology



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The course might be of interest to:

If you are interested in understanding Human behavior Psychology will give you an insight into understanding why people behave the way they do. Psychology combines well with Social Science subjects and counts as a science subject for University applications.

Psychology will complement just about any other subject. Students who study psychology often also study Biology, Sociology, Health and Social Care, Business, English or Physical Education.

Potential future pathways:

If you want a career in any of the caring services, or in marketing or human resources, you will find an understanding of psychology useful. Psychology leads to a number of career routes including forensic psychology, sports psychology, clinical psychology and counselling and psychotherapy.

A-level Psychology will help you develop a range of skills that will benefit you, whether you decide to go on to further study or the working world, including; analytical thinking, improved communication, problem solving, planning and conducting scientific investigations, analysing and interpreting data and critical reasoning skills.