

PSYCHOLOGY, A LEVEL

Overview

On the A Level Psychology course, you will study for 4 hours per week.

You will complete the AS Level in the first year and the A2 in the second to form a full A-Level.

The course includes a wide range of topics in Psychology, and will be taught through theory sessions, practical activities, learning games and online activities.

The course can be taken in the following ways:

- As a stand-alone part-time course.
- As an 'add on' to a Full Time Level 3 Study Programme at the College, for example alongside a BTEC Extended Diploma.
- As part of a study programme with another two ALevels (full-time package).

What will I learn?

In year 1, you will cover topics including Social Influences, Memory, Attachment, Psychopathology, Research Methods and Approaches in Psychology (e.g. the behaviourist and cognitive approaches). In year 2, study in these areas will be extended, and additional topics in Psychopathology, Biopsychology and Issues and Debates in Psychology will be undertaken. There are also a wide variety of optional topics in areas such as Relationships, Gender, Schizophrenia, Eating Disorders and Forensic Psychology (availability of optional topics may depend on demand).

How will I be assessed?

The course will be assessed by examinations at the end of the year. At the end of the first year, you will take two 1.5 - hour examinations which will include multiple choice, short answer and extended writing questions, and which will comprise the assessment for AS award (but do not contribute towards the A-level). At the end of year 2, you will take three 2-hour examinations which will include the material covered in year 1; this will comprise the assessment for the A-level award. There is no assessment of practical skills, however your knowledge of research methods gained through practical activities will be examined in both the AS and A level examinations.

We will recruit without prejudice and aim to provide the best possible learning experience for all our learners. See our full policy at www.kendal.ac.uk/equality-diversity. Please note that whilst every effort is made to ensure that any course information provided is accurate, the College reserves the right to vary the time, location, direction and content of any class it provides and the associated fees.

Career Opportunities

This course will contribute to the requirements for an exciting range of opportunities for further study e.g. you could choose to take degree-level courses in Psychology, Sport & Exercise Science, Forensic Science, Mental Health Nursing and many others.

This could lead to a wide variety of careers, e.g. Teacher, Forensic Psychologist, Mental Health Nurse or Psychologist.

Entry requirements

The entry requirements for this course are:

5 GCSEs at Grade 5 or above (A*-C) including Maths.

GCSE English Language at Grade 6 (or B).

If you would like to apply for the full-time package (3-4 AS-Levels) please complete a full-time application form.

If you would like to study this course part-time, please contact the tutor: Candice Van de Mer: Candice.VanDerMerwe@kendal.ac.uk

Fees

Adult fees

£811.00

Please note: If you are an adult student you may be entitled to financial support to cover the cost of your course, dependent on your circumstances. Please contact Student Services on enquiries@kendal.ac.uk for details. [More about Student Finance. \(page_2118\)](#)



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