

A-Level Psychology

EXAM BOARD: AQA

What does the course cover?

Our A-Level course is designed to provide a balanced introduction to the study of Psychology. A wide range of topics will be studied, including:

- Social influence
- Memory
- Attachment
- Biopsychology
- Psychopathology
- Research methods
- Gender
- Schizophrenia
- Addiction

What skills will the course help you develop?

Studying Psychology will help you to understand how and why people behave and interact with one another. It will allow you to form opinions on why people have different personalities and characteristics. It will also help you to develop a variety of skills including analytical thinking, improved communication, problem solving and many more that will prepare you for an exciting future with the possibility of a range of fantastic careers.

How is the course assessed?

The course is assessed through exams only, using a mixture of short answer question and long answer essay based questions. There are three exams at the end of Year 13.

What are the entry requirements?

Students wishing to study Psychology should have 5 GCSEs A*-C, including a Grade 5 in English and Maths and a B in Biology or Science.

What do students who study this course go on to do?

The top seven degree courses taken by students who have an A-level in psychology are:

- Psychology
- English studies
- Sociology
- Business studies
- Teaching
- Sport and exercise science
- Law

Studying psychology at university can give you a route into a career as a Psychologist, but there are a whole host of other career options, including marketing, business development, accountancy, human resources, occupational therapy, nursing and teaching.

Who is the staff contact for Psychology?

Mr Ladd, Mr Hulme and Miss May all teach Psychology and will be happy to discuss the course in more detail.

