

Psychology

Psychology is the scientific study of the human mind and behaviour



What will you be learning ?

Entry requirements

Maths grade 5, English grade 5. Grade B in Science recommended.

There are various *approaches* to explaining human behaviour including Biological, Cognitive, Social, Developmental, Psychodynamic and Evolutionary. Students will be expected to:

- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of psychological concepts, theories, research studies, research methods and ethical issues
- Analyse, interpret and evaluate psychological concepts, theories, research studies and research methods
- Evaluate therapies and treatments including in terms of their appropriateness and

Approaches in Psychology, Psychopathology, Research Methods.

A' Level also includes Cognitive Development,

How will you be assessed?

All of Psychology will be assessed by an external examination.

There is no coursework requirement at either AS or A2 level.

How will I be taught?

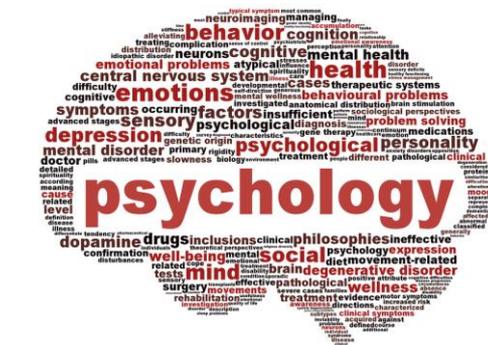
A range of teaching methods will be employed including discussion, presentations, research, group work and independent study.

What skills will I develop?

Skills of analysis and evaluation of concepts, theories, studies and a range of research methods (including data analysis and presentation); application of knowledge to novel stimulus material.

After A' Level?

Psychology compliments most other A' Levels and has an application to life skills and knowledge. Students may follow a career in Psychology by becoming an educational psychologist, a clinical psychologist, forensic psychologist, occupational psychologists, sports psychologist or teaching psychology in universities, schools or colleges of further education. Alternatively, many psychology graduates work in areas such as business, nursing, advertising, sales, personnel management and social work.



Case Study: Marcus Newman

I decided to move to St Robert's as I knew it was a very successful Sixth Form and wanted to give myself the best chance to succeed. I wanted to study Psychology because I was fascinated with the way the human mind functions, including the impact on our behaviour. The subject is extremely broad and covers a wide range of topics all of which are very interesting. For me, Biopsychology is the most interesting as it outlines the physiological effects on human behaviour.

Along with A' Level Psychology I also study Biology and RE and intend to study Psychology at university in the hope of becoming a Clinical Psychologist.