

PSYCHOLOGY

YEAR 12

AUTUMN 1

Introduction to Psychology, AS approaches content

Psychology as Science, Behaviourism, Social learning theory, cognitive theory and biological approach.

Prior Learning

This is a brand new subject; students are learning new content and subject specific skills such as analysis and evaluation.

AUTUMN 2

Psychopathology

To cover definitions of abnormality, explanation and treatments of phobias, depression and OCD.

Prior Learning

This is a brand new subject; students are learning new content and subject specific skills such as analysis and evaluation. Students will be able to use Psychological approaches to explain and treat mental health disorders.

SPRING 1

Research methods, AS content only

Experiments, sampling, ethics, observation, self-report, measures of central tendency, mathematical content.

Prior Learning

Students will have completed Psychological approaches and psychopathology. When they are analysing and evaluation research method they can use previous research to help with justification.

SPRING 2

Social Influence

Conformity, obedience, resistance to social influence, minority influence, social influence and social change.

Prior Learning

Psychological approaches, Psychopathology, research methods. Skills include description, application and evaluation.

SUMMER 1

Memory

Multi store model, types of long term memory, working memory model, explanation of forgetting, factors affecting eye witness testimony and improving eye witness testimony using cognitive interview.

Prior Learning

Psychological approaches, Psychopathology, research methods and Social Influence Skills developing include description, application and evaluation.

SUMMER 2

Attachment

Caregiver infant interactions, Shaffer's stages of attachment, the role of the father, animal studies, explanations, types of attachment, cultural variations, maternal deprivation, Romanian orphan studies and influence of early attachment on adult relationships.

Prior Learning

Psychological approaches, Psychopathology, research methods and Social Influence and Memory. Skills developing include description, application and evaluation.

CAREERS LINKS

Counsellor, mental health nurse, psychotherapist, Human resources, teacher, health psychologist, educational psychologist.

CHARACTER LINKS

Intellectual virtues through critical thinking and performance virtues through resilience.

KEY ASSESSMENT DATES

Pupils complete assessments in line with the KS5 assessment calendar. Students complete regular end of topic assessments and timed essays. Students will also complete end of year 12 assessments.