



TUDOR GRANGE ACADEMY A LEVEL PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM MAP

University? Apprenticeships? Jobs?

EXAMINATIONS: 3 papers. 96 marks each.

Paper one: memory, social influence, attachment & psychopathology.

Paper two: Approaches, biopsychology & research methods (double weighted).

Paper three: Issues & debates, Schizophrenia, Relationships & Forensic Psychology.

Forensic psychology

Learners will develop their understanding of offender profiling, explanations and treatments of serial offenders and other types of crime.

Issues & debates

Learners will develop their understanding of the key issues surrounding gender & culture and develop their debating skills with topics such as the nature vs nurture debate

Research methods

Learners will continue to develop their understanding of research methods through exam practice and more advanced research techniques.

Relationships

Learners will develop their understanding of how relationships form, maintain and breakdown. Covering key theories on typical and abnormal relationships (such as celebrity stalking)

Schizophrenia

Learners will develop their understanding of the diagnosis, causes and treatment of Schizophrenia.

YEAR 13

Biopsychology

Learners will develop their understanding neuropsychology including the brain and its structures as well as damage to these areas.

Psychopathology

Learners will develop their understanding of abnormality, depression, phobias and OCD. Gaining awareness into how we explain and treat psychological illnesses.

Memory

Learners will develop their understanding of memory processes, theories and how this applies to crime through eye-witness testimony.

Research methods

Learners will develop their understanding of key scientific research skills to be able to conduct their own research and critically evaluate the research of experts.

Approaches

Learners will develop their understanding of the five key approaches and gain insight into the historical context of psychology.

Attachment

Learners will develop their understanding of early experiences and how parenting styles affect infant's short-term and long-term mental health.

Social influence

Learners will develop their understanding of social processes such as conformity, obedience & social change.

YEAR 12

Getting ready

- Purchasing textbooks
- Wider reading/watching
- Summer bridging tasks

Choosing your options?

- TG Website
- Open evenings
- Taster sessions
- Careers convention

Career links (This is only some of the wide range of careers linked with Psychology):

- Psychologist (clinical/ occupational/health)
- Neurosurgery/ Neuroscience
- Medicine/Psychiatry
- Advertising/Marketing
- Business/Management
- Infant health/Nursing
- Education/Social work
- Sport psychology/ Rehabilitation
- Law/Forensic psychology/
- Criminology/Police
- Brain & injury



Extra-curricular:

- **Study supports** run weekly for those students who need them. Year 13's have priority over these sessions.
- **External speakers.** Prison officer/ restorative justice/ RAF/psychologists (more to be planned).
- **Proactivity projects.** Students are encouraged to read/watch/listen to a wide range of material based on subject areas in and outside of the curriculum.
- **Bookshelf.** Many students opt to borrow books from the department to widen their knowledge and interest.
- **Research projects.** Students are given time to plan, conduct and analyse their research. Many students use friends & family to conduct their experiments so sorry in advance!
- **University experience.** Students given the chance to learn about University level topics through masterclasses that spark interest & debate.