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A-Level Psychology

Course information

Why choose A-Level Psychology?

Psychology is a challenging course that provides a good, scientific foundation for further study in the area. It gives a great deal of insight into the scope and nature of psychology as a science and all the relevant issues and topics that relate to the subject from relationships and eating behavior to sleep and perception. It is very academic and is suited to students with a good understanding of mathematics and science and an interest in how our psyche works. It is important to note that it is not a course on psychotherapy (that comes at a later stage in education).

Course Outline:

AS

At this stage students are given a solid foundation in the scientific study of psychology including: Cognitive psychology, developmental psychology, research methods, biological psychology, social psychology and individual differences.

A2

In the second year students are engaged in the topics, issues and debates surrounding contemporary psychology and later the study of psychopathology. Topics include: biological rhythms and sleep, relationships, aggression, eating behavior, schizophrenia, depression, addiction and anxiety disorders.

Resources and facilities:

www.psychology.heacademy.ac.uk

www.a-levelpsychology.co.uk

Revise Psychology for AS Level by Roz Brody

Psychology for AS Level (1st Edition) by Michael W. Eysenck

Psychology: The Science of Mind and Behaviour by Richard D. Gross

Careers and progression:

The subject naturally leads to clinical psychology for which a degree is essential. The course is well recognised by universities for the valuable skills that are required by students on the course, from highly critical data analysis, effective communication to reasoned argument, making it an impressive course for entry to higher education.

Entry requirements:

At least five grades of C or above at GCSE including a B in Maths and Science.

A Level results:

This is a new course for 2008

Enquiries:

Please address all enquiries regarding the A-Level Psychology Course should be made via Castle Manor Business & Enterprise College.