



URSULINE HIGH SCHOOL
& WIMBLEDON COLLEGE
SIXTH FORM

PSYCHOLOGY

at Ursuline High School

LEVEL: A Level

EXAMINATION BOARD: AQA

SPECIFICATION NUMBER: 7182

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WHAT WILL I STUDY IN THIS SUBJECT?

A Level Year 1:

Social Influence

Memory

Attachment

Approaches in Psychology

Psychopathology

Research Methods

A Level Year 2:

Biopsychology

Issues and Debates in Psychology

Option 1 Cognition and development

Option 2 Schizophrenia

Option 3 Forensic Psychology

WHAT SKILLS AND INTERESTS DO I NEED FOR THIS SUBJECT?

An interest in explaining human behaviour

A willingness to read widely around the course

A desire to think outside of the box and engage in debate

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED

Paper	Mode	Assessment	Weighting	
1	2 Hours Exam	Multiple choice, short answer and extended writing covering Social Influence, Memory, Attachment, and Psychopathology	NA	33.3%
2	2 Hours Exam	Multiple choice, short answer and extended writing covering Approaches in Psychology, Biopsychology, Research Methods	NA	33.3%
3	2 Hours Exam	Multiple choice, short answer and extended writing covering Issues and Debates; and Option 1 (Cognition and development), Option 2 (Schizophrenia) and Option 3 (Forensic Psychology)	NA	33.3%

WHAT OTHER SUBJECTS COMBINE WELL WITH THIS SUBJECT?

English Biology Sociology History
 Health and Social Care Maths

Psychology is a multi disciplined subject that develops a variety of skills useful for almost any subject.

TO WHAT FURTHER OR HIGHER EDUCATION COURSES COULD THIS SUBJECT LEAD?

It may be taken by those who wish to study Science, Psychology or any Higher Education subject that focuses on some aspect of human behaviour e.g. Child Care, Law and Biology.

WHAT CAREERS COULD THIS SUBJECT LEAD TO?

Subject specific careers include; Educational Psychologist, Clinical Psychologist, Occupational Psychologist, Forensic Psychologist, Human Resources, NHS support services, teaching. Psychology is also useful for many

other careers that involve human behaviour such as most medical careers, business and the public sector such as the Civil Service and MI6.

RECOMMENDED READING:

Any introductory psychology text and popular press specifically those articles relating to Psychology.

Interesting but not essential reading; Basic Freud by Michael Kahn, The man who mistook his wife for a hat by Oliver Sacks and The Psychology of Everyday Things by D.A. Norman

USEFUL LINKS:

<http://web.aqa.org.uk/qual/gce/science/psychology-a-updates.php>

ENTRY CRITERIA

Please refer to the Entry Criteria Insert to understand the Pathway requirements.

The entry criteria for this subject is: Grade 5 in Mathematics AND Grade 6 in English Language OR English Literature