

APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY

Level 3 BTEC National Extended Certificate

COURSE CONTENT

If you choose to study Applied Psychology you will study three mandatory units, covering the following content areas:

Unit 1: Applications of Psychological Approaches

Unit 2: Conducting Psychological Research

Unit 3: Health Psychology

Plus one optional unit;

Unit 4: Criminal and Forensic Psychology

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Examinable Units -

- Unit 1

Written exam – 1.5 hours, 72 marks.
25% of overall grade

- Unit 3 –

Written exam – 2 hours, 70 marks.
25% of overall grade

Coursework/Research Units –

- Unit 2

Graded in Pass, Merit or Distinction Format.
25% of overall grade

- Unit 4

Graded in Pass, Merit or Distinction Format.
25% of overall grade

EXTRA-CURRICULAR OR ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Enrichment opportunities will be decided on a needs basis in consultation with the student group. Activities likely to be offered will be University visits, guest speakers and the opportunity to apply knowledge in wider reaching areas of topic related study.

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

When combined with other qualifications within a two-year study programme, you can progress to higher education to qualifications such as:

A BSc in Psychology

A BSc in Forensic and Criminal Psychology

A BSc (Hons) in Occupational Health

A BSc in Education and Child Psychology

A BSc (Hons) in Sport Psychology

PRIOR KNOWLEDGE

Useful: Qualifications in GCSE Maths, English and Science. A wider knowledge of research based work.

Desirable: A grade of 5 or higher in English, Maths and Science.

Essential: A grade of 5 or higher in English, Maths and Science. This is based on the large amount of statistical data that will be analysed during research based tasks. Also, there will be a significant amount of extended writing in both examinable units and research tasks that will require a solid grasp on analytical writing.

