



# Psychology

Exam Board: AQA

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**You should do take this course because...** AQA Psychology is a nationally recognised qualification that allows students that have an interest in the way that the mind works and why we act in the way that we do. We look at cognitive, biological and psychosocial explanations of psychology. This qualification offers an engaging and effective introduction to Psychology. Students will learn the fundamentals of the subject and develop skills valued by Higher Education (HE) and employers, including critical analysis, independent thinking and research.

## AS Level

**Course Title:** Advanced Subsidiary GCE in Psychology

**Course Content:** Unit 1  
1.Social influence  
2 Memory  
3 Attachment  
  
Unit 2  
4 Approaches in Psychology  
5 Psychopathology  
6 Research methods

**Entry Requirements :** At least a 5 in English Language and at least a 5 in Maths.

**Assessment type:** 2 exams worth 100% (50% for each paper).

## A Level

**Course Title:** Advanced GCE in Psychology

**Course Content:** Unit 1:  
Social influence, Memory, Attachment, Psychopathology  
Approaches in Psychology, Biopsychology, Research methods,  
Issues and debates in Psychology.

Unit 2:  
Relationships

Unit 3:  
Schizophrenia

Unit 4:  
Addiction

**Entry Requirements :** At least a D grade in AS Psychology

**Assessment type:** 3 exams worth 100% (33% each paper)

**If I did this course it would enable me to...** This course will enable students to further study Psychology, Science, Medicine and other Social Science's. It has links to many careers including careers in Medicine, Psychology, Business and Public sector work such as Teaching, Social work and Police work. The course will cover the skills needed to contain critical thinking and scientific reasoning behind behaviour.

**Additional resources:** Course specific text book yet to be released. <http://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/psychology/specifications/AQA-7181-SP-2015-V1-0.PDF> (AS Specification), <http://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/psychology/specifications/AQA-7182-SP-2015-V1-0.PDF> (A– Level, Specification)