



BTEC Applied Psychology



Examination Board:

Edexcel

Assessment:

Pearson examination and internal research coursework (see assessment section)

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If you have a passion for science, health and people, then this is the course for you! Lesson activities will be varied and will include the use of case studies, independent research, structured tasks, presentations and group work.

You will develop the knowledge and understanding of key approaches and theories in psychology and apply these to issues relevant to contemporary society, for example lifestyle choices and unhealthy behaviours such as addiction. You will learn about the types and characteristics of mental disorders, approaches to treatments, and the role of professionals in supporting and promoting mental health. In addition to exploring the scientific process in psychological research methodology through conducting your own psychological research project.

Your Future Pathways

This qualification carries UCAS points and is recognised by higher education providers as contributing to admission requirements to many relevant applied psychology courses. When combined with other

relevant qualifications, you could progress onto degree courses such as Occupational Health, Child Psychology, Sport Psychology and much more.

What Will I Study?

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

- Applications of Psychological Approaches
- Conducting Psychological Research
- Health Psychology
- One optional unit (TBC)

Assessment

Year 1

Psychological Approaches (external examination) 25%

Psychological Research (internal research coursework) 25%

Year 2

Health Psychology (external examinations) 33%

Unit 4 (internal coursework task) 17%

