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COMMITMENT, OPPORTUNITY, DISCIPLINE AND EXCELLENCE

Psychology Curriculum Overview - Academic Year 2025-2026

	TERM 1 TER		RM 2 TERM 3		TERM 4	TER	M 5	TERM 6
12	SOCIAL APPROACH		COGNITIVE APPROACH		LEARNING THEORIES		BIOLOGICAL APPROACH Methods- Scanning techniques,	
12	Methods- Ethics, Quest Interviews, Qualitative Quantitative data analy Sampling techniques. Content- Obedience (Magency Theory, Social I Theory), Prejudice (Reaconflict Theory, Social Theory) and factors affiprejudice and obedience Studies- Sherif et al (19 (2009)) Practical- Carry out an investigation into:	& ysis, Ailgram, mpact alistic Identity ect ce. 961), Burger	Methods- Cadamaged pa Quantitative Experiments Content- Mu Memory, Wo Reconstructi Memory. Studies- Bad & Hernandes Practical- Ca investigate t organisation Key Questio	ase studies of brain tients, Qualitative & data analysis, , Standard Deviation. Ulti-store Model of orking memory Model, ive Memory, Long term (1966b), Sebastian z- Gil (2012) (2012) (2014) (2015) (2015) (2016) (2016) (2016) (2016) (2017) (2016) (2017) (Methods- Observation Content Analysis & The Analysis, Animal Reservation Scientific Status of Psicontent- Classical Conferent Conditioning Learning Theory, Photoreatments) Studies- Watson and (1920) Becker (2002) Practical- Carry out an observation to investing Gender and polite be Key Question- How discontent in the content of the co	nematic arch, ychology nditioning, , Social bias (& Raynor n gate: haviour. oes the	Methods- Correlatio studies, Ac Content- (system, Th recreation of aggress alternative Psychodyr Studies- R Brendgen Practical- design usi investigate reported a	Scanning techniques, nal research, Twin doption studies. Central Nervous ne effects of lal drugs, Explanations live behaviour (an explanation-Freuds namic explanation). aine et al. (1997) et al. (2005) Using a correlational ng a questionnaire e; reported stress and aggression.
	Gender and Obedience. Key Question - What makes people commit acts of terrorism against fellow human beings?		Eyewitness Testimony?		influence of role models affect anorexia nervosa?		Key Question - What are the implications for society if aggression is found to be caused by nature not nurture?	



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13 CLINICAL APPLICATION

Methods- HCPC Standards and Guidelines, Researching mental health, Use of case studies, Use of Interviews, Thematic analysis & Grounded theory, Quantitative data analysis.

Content- Diagnosis of Mental Disorders, Classification Systems, Schizophrenia and OCD (or Anorexia Nervosa)

Studies- Rosenhan (1973), Carlsson et al. (2000), POTS Team (2004) (or Guardia (2012))

Practical- Carry out a summative content analysis to investigate Key Question- How are mental health issues portrayed in the media?

CRIMINOLOGICAL APPLICATION

Methods- Lab & Field experiments, Case studies. Data analysis and Sampling, Ethical Guidelines.

Content- Explanations of Crime, Understanding the offender, Treatments for offenders, Factors influencing EWT, Factors influencing Jury Decision Making.

Studies- Loftus & Palmer (1974), Howells et al. (2005)

Practical- Carry out an investigation using a questionnaire to investigate the influence of attractiveness and crime.

Key Question- How reliable is Eyewitness Testimony?

ISSUES AND DEBATES

Sections A: Research Methods Using Knowledge of research methods from all approaches and applications.

Section B: Synoptic Review of Classic Studies
Using the 6 classic studies covered.

Section C: Issues and Debates: Ethics. Practical issues in the design and implementation (how you carry out) of research, Reductionism, Comparisons between ways of explaining behaviour using different themes, Psychology as a science, Culture and gender, Nature-nurture, An understanding of how psychological understanding has developed over time, Issues of social control, The use of psychological knowledge within society, Issues related to socially sensitive research

REVISION

NOTE: The timings may vary due to the needs of individual students and classes