

## Advanced Level Psychology

# PSYCHOLOGY

AWARDING BODY OCR



Course Specification link:

<https://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/as-a-level-gce/psychology-h167-h567-from-2015/>

### Brief outline of course

Psychology is one of the fastest growing university subjects and it is an ideal platform to a wide range of careers. The course involves active learning and opportunities to conduct your own research.

The course is made up of three units:

- 01 – Research Methods (2 hour examination, 30% of A Level)  
Students learn about the core psychological methods and have the opportunity to conduct their own primary research
- 02 – Psychological Themes Through Core Studies (2 hour examination, 35% of A Level)  
Students are introduced to the central areas within psychology and study both a classic and contemporary piece of research. Themes of study include; attention, regions of the brain, responses to people in authority, memory and moral development
- 03 – Applied Psychology (2 hour examination, 35% of A Level)  
Students study issues in mental health, child psychology and criminal psychology in greater depth in order to develop a greater understanding of key developments in these fields

### Are you interested in:

- The changing treatment of the mentally ill
- Why people turn to crime?
- How the brain functions
- What makes us obey someone in authority?
- Why we 'remember' things that did not happen?

### Leading to a career in:

- Psychology
- Social Work
- Police
- Research
- Education
- Healthcare

### Subject Entry Criteria

GCSE Maths and English Language or Literature Grade 5

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