

How to apply

- Complete and return an application form. Application forms are available from the Wellington Academy website at: www.thewellingtonacademy.org.uk
- Your completed application should be returned to Dave Bissington, Head of 6th Form, this can be done either via your tutor (if internal) or delivered to the school reception
- Alternatively, please complete an online form, found under 2022 - Applications on the 6th Form tab on the school website.
- You will have an individual course consultation, during which provisional courses will be agreed.

The offer of the course will be conditional upon you meeting the required entry grades, any subject specific criteria and having a suitable reference from your previous school.

Your final interview will be held immediately after you have received your GCSE results. This is when your actual offer is negotiated and confirmed.



6th Form Courses

PSYCHOLOGY



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- How can we explain behaviour?
- Are criminals born or made?
- Could YOU kill someone?
- Are fathers necessary?

By studying Psychology you will be able to answer all these questions and more!

"We know what we are, but not what we may be."

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A Level Psychology (AQA)

What is the course like?

The Psychology course is designed to be an introduction to the subject. Psychology is the science of mind and behaviour and so encompasses any aspect of human thought and behaviour. Key areas include social influence; attachment; memory; psychopathology; forensic psychology; schizophrenia; biopsychology and research methods.

Course content

Year 1	Year 2
Approaches in Psychology	Option 1
Memory	(relationships or gender or cognitive development)
Attachment	Option 2
Research methods	(schizophrenia or eating behaviour or stress)
Social influences	Option 3
Psychopathology	(forensic psychology or aggression or addiction)
Biopsychology	Research methods
	Issues and debates

Within these areas students will study topics including the following: social learning theory; cognitive aspects; psychodynamic approach; biological components and many more!

Entry requirement

5 GCSEs at 9-5, including English and Maths.

For those wishing to study psychology at University, a grade 6/7 is required in Maths. A good English grade is also desirable.

Duration

2 years

How will I be assessed?

You will have three exams at the end of your second year. Each exam is 2 hours in length, and all are worth 96 marks.

Where does it lead?

Psychology can open a lot of doors for future options. It is a well-regarded subject, and has direct relevance for any subject / career path that involves business, marketing, public services, health-care, child care, teaching, sports management / psychology, clinical psychology, forensic services and so much more. Psychology is currently the largest growth subject at Higher education level, and the 4th most popular A-Level nationally.

Is this course suitable for me?

If you are curious about people and why they (and you) behave in the way that they do, then this course will offer some insight. There is writing involved including some essays. The ability to develop your critical thinking skills will be integral to the course.

Additional Information

- Various enrichment opportunities, including guest speakers and trips.
- Opportunities to meet with healthcare providers, expert practitioners and more.

[sai-ko-luh-jee] - the scientific study of the mind and behaviour; a complex discipline and includes many areas as human development, sports, health, clinical, social behaviour and cognitive processes.