

Higher Psychology

Glasgow Clyde College – Anniesland Campus
SCQF Level 6 – Open to S6 Pupils



Course Outline

The central theme of the Higher Psychology course is to enable you to investigate psychological knowledge and research, which will promote your understanding of individual and social behaviour. You will analyse and evaluate concepts, theories and approaches, and will draw on research evidence to explain human behaviour.

Attendance Pattern

Tuesday and Thursday afternoons (1.30pm to 4pm). The duration of the course is August until May

Pupil Eligibility

You must have:

A pass in Higher English at A or B level. Other subjects that would be considered with this same grade would include Higher History, Modern Studies or Geography.

Qualification Breakdown

Psychology SCQF Level 6:

- Psychology: Research
- Psychology: Individual Behaviour
- Psychology: Social Behaviour

This course is very demanding in terms of written work, study at home and group work.

Course Assignment

The purpose of the assignment is to assess your use of research and communication skills appropriate to psychology. This assignment requires learners to carry out their own primary research based on a brief provided by SQA and produce a psychological research report. The class will design the research in groups, collect data and analyse. Reports must be written up individually but the tutor will give support.

This assignment will give learners an opportunity to demonstrate the following skills:

- using research skills to generate, select, organise, interpret, analyse and evaluate information in psychology
- using communication skills to present information, including a report on psychological research

What opportunities will be available to me when I finish?

You might go on to do:

- HNC/D courses in social science at college or university degree courses in psychology, neuropsychology, arts, social sciences, sciences, criminology or business studies. The level you might enter would depend on the level and relevance of your other qualifications

If you have a young person who is interested in this course, please email schoolsliaison@glasgowclyde.ac.uk.