

Curriculum Map – Psychology

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12	Research Methods -Experimental Method -Control of variables -Hypotheses -Experimental design -Laboratory and field experiments -Natural and quasi-experiments -Problems with experiments, Control -Sampling -Ethical issues -Observational techniques and design -Self-report techniques and design -Correlations -Maths skills -Measures of central tendency and dispersion -Display of quantitative data and data distributions -Types of data -Introduction to statistical testing Memory -Multi-store model Features of STM and LTM	Memory -MSM -Working Memory- -Explanations for forgetting -Factors affecting EWT Attachments -Animal studies -Explanations of attachment -Types of attachment -Cultural variations in attachment -Romanian orphan studies -Influence of early attachment on childhood and adult relationships Social Influence -Types of conformity -Explanations for conformity	Social Influence -Variables affecting conformity -Situational variables affecting obedience -Explanations for obedience -The Authoritarian Personality - Resistance to social influence -Minority influence Approaches including Biopsychology+ Clinical Psychology and Mental Health Approaches - The behaviourist approach -Social learning theory Clinical Psychology and Mental Health -Definitions in the field of mental health	Clinical Psychology and Mental Health -Mental Disorders -Behavioural explanations for phobias -Behavioural approach to treating phobias Approaches -Cognitive approach Clinical Psychology and Mental Health -Cognitive approach to explaining and treating depression Approaches -Biological approach Clinical Psychology and Mental Health -Biological approach to explaining and treating OCD - genetics Biopsychology -The nervous system -Neurons and synaptic transmission Clinical Psychology and Mental Health -Biological approach to explaining and treating OCD. Neural explanations and drug therapy Biopsychology -The endocrine system -The fight or flight response Research methods -Psychology and the economy Revision -All previous topics	Revision -All previous topics	Research Methods -Features of science -Reliability -Validity -Reporting on psychological investigations Practical research Project -Statistical tests -Probability

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13	Research Methods -Case studies -Content analysis -Non-parametric tests of difference -Parametric tests of difference -Test of correlation -Chi-Squared Approaches -Psychodynamic approach -Humanistic approach Issues and debates -Free will vs determinism -Nature vs nurture -Reductionism vs holism Approaches -Comparison of approaches -Idiographic vs nomothetic approach	Issues and debates -Gender bias -Culture bias -Social sensitivity in psychological research Biopsychology -Localisation of function -Lateralisation and split-brain research -Ways of studying the brain Schizophrenia -Diagnosis of schizophrenia -Issues in diagnosis: Culture and gender bias -Issues in diagnosis: co-morbidity and symptom overlap -Biological explanations for schizophrenia -Drug therapy -Psychological explanations -CBTp and family therapy -Interactionist approach Forensic Psychology -Offender profiling: The typology approach, The data-driven approach -	Forensic Psychology -Biological explanations (genetic and neural) -Psychological explanations (Eysenck's theory, Cognitive, differential association theory) -Dealing with offending behaviour: - Custodial sentencing -Behaviour modification in custody -Anger management -Restorative justice programmes Relationships -Physical attractiveness -Self-disclosure -Filter theory -Equity theory -Social exchange theory	Relationships -Investment model -Relationship breakdown -Online relationships -Parasocial relationships Revision	Revision	Revision