

# A Level Psychology

Course Title: A Level Psychology	LARS/QAN Code: 6014838X
Level: Three	Awarding Organisation: AQA
<b>Delivery:</b> Classroom based	Start Date: September
<b>Location:</b> Headlands School	Url: http://www.headlandsschool.co.uk/
Cost: Covered by EFA funding	<b>Duration:</b> 2 years
Full-time or Part-time: Full-time	Attendance: Daytime

#### Who is the course for?

Psychology is the scientific study of mental processes and behaviour. A Level Psychology develops a range of valuable skills, including critical analysis, independent thinking and research. The course consists of eight compulsory topics covering a range of behaviours including memory, attachment and social influence. This will be followed by three optional units looking at aggression, eating behaviour and relationships.

### **Entry requirements:**

Standard entry requirement for A Level programme.

### What you'll learn:

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The course consists of compulsory topics covering a range of behaviours; Memory, Attachment, Social Influence, Psychopathology, Approaches and Biopsychology.

This will be followed in Year 2 by three optional units looking at Aggression, Schizophrenia and Cognition.

## How you'll learn:

Class lessons, teacher delivered content, independent work, class discussions and suitable trips out. Psychology is taught in small groups, allowing students to test their understanding of theories through class discussion and debate. The subject is taught through assessing the research and ideas of psychologists, looking at key case studies.

#### How you'll be assessed:

Informal assessment will be ongoing throughout the course, using homework, timed essays and mock exams.

There is no coursework.

Formal assessment will be at the end of the two year course and will consist of three two hour exams.

#### Where next:

Many students continue to study Psychology at university or use it to support a broad range of courses. As the subject helps students understand the human mind and its reactions, it can complement a very wide range of subjects.