# Psychology

**Exam Board: AQA:**
**Entry Requirements: Entry Requirements:** Students must achieve grade 6 in GCSE Additional Science, Mathematics and English. Students choosing this course need both mathematical ability and strong literacy skills.

**COURSE SUMMARY**

When you're considering A-level courses, you might be wondering, 'why study A-level psychology?' Psychology is both a theoretical and applied subject, so it can be beneficial in several ways. Firstly, A-level psychology teaches you a broad range of subjects, including social and cognitive psychology, child development and psychology beyond typical behaviour. Secondly, it can be your route to further education and a fulfilling career. Studying A-level psychology can positively contribute to your personal and professional life.

**COURSE STRUCTURE**

**Paper 1**: Attachment, Psychopathology, Social Influence and Memory
33.3% of A-Level 2hr exam.
**Paper 2:** Approaches in Psychology, Research methods, Biopsychology
33.3% of A-Level 2hr exam.
**Paper 3:** Issues and debates in Psychology
Relationships, Schizophrenia and Forensic 33.3% of A-Level 2hr exam.

**Course Leaders:** Miss H Taylor and Miss L Mukoko

**Core Textbooks:**

**Illuminate AQA Psychology Year 1 (year 12)**

**Illuminate AQA Psychology Year 2 (year 13)**

**CAREER CHOICES**

**Taking A-level Psychology is often the foundation for a career as a clinical psychologist or within the field of mental health support. Responsible for assessing, diagnosing, and treating mental health issues, a clinical psychologist typically works in hospitals, and in private practices.**

**Psychology can lead to you to the following jobs:**

- Clinical psychologist
- Counselling psychologist
- Education mental health practitioner
- Educational psychologist
- Forensic psychologist
- Criminal Investigator
- Further education teacher
- Health psychologist
- High intensity therapist
- Occupational psychologist
- Psychological wellbeing practitioner
- Sport and exercise psychologist