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# **KS4 PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM MAP**

## FURTHER STUDY

# CAREER PATHS

# A-level study of Psychology or Criminology

Social Researcher, Education and Training, Police, Health Services

# SKILLS

Critical analysis, interpretation, evaluation, theoretical perspective

# Revision and Examination Practice

#### Sleep & dreaming

- Awareness of functions, features & benefits of sleep
- ☐ The stages of the sleep cycle & the roles of the pineal gland and melatonin
- ☐ Endogenous pacemakers & Exogenous zeitgebers
- □ Sleep disorders
- ☐ Freudian theory of dreaming
- ☐ Activation Synthesis theory of dreaming
- ☐ Two key studies linked to the theories
- The impact of neurological damage on sleep
- ☐ Treatments for insomnia

#### Psychological problems

- ☐ Awareness of defining mental health & the prevalence over time
- The effect of mental health on the individual and society
- ☐ The clinical characteristics of Schizophrenia
- ☐ The social drift theory of schizophrenia☐ The biological theory of schizophrenia☐
- ☐ The key study linked to this theory
- ☐ The clinical characteristics of Depression
- ☐ The social rank theory of clinical depression
- ☐ The key study linked to this theory

Assessment: Progress check based on secure sample assessment midway through topic \* End of topic assessment based on prior (2019-) standardised exams 24 marks. Introduce idea of 13 mark Qu

**Development** 

different stages of

☐ How IQ is measured

☐ Learning theories of

Cognitive Development

development: Dweck &

☐ The role of development

research in education

The effects of growth

Two key studies linked to the

mindsets and meaning on the development of intelligence

☐ Piaget's Theory of

☐ Awareness of

development

Willingham

theories

Assessment: Progress check based on secure sample assessment midway through topic \* End of topic assessment based on prior (2019-) standardised exams 24 marks, 13 mark practice too.

Year 11 Mocks: Based on prior (2019-) standardised exams (all assessment objectives covered) Regular 13 mark practice

- ☐ The ABC model of clinical depression
- ☐ The role of drug therapy & psychotherapy to treat these conditions
- The development of neuropsychology to study these conditions

#### Memory

- Awareness of how thought processes are like computers
- □ How and why we forget
- ☐ The Multi-Store Model of Memory
- ☐ The theory of reconstructive memory
- ☐ Two key studies linked to the theories☐ The role of memory techniques on aiding
- Measuring different memory functions

# Social Influence

- □ Awareness of conformity & obedience
  □ Awareness of collective and crowd behaviour
  □ Situational factors affecting Social Influence including group size, deindividual of the collection of
- Dispositional factors affecting Social influence including self esteem, locus of control, morality and authoritarian personality
- ☐ Two key studies linked to the factors
  - The role of minority and majority influence affecting social change of attitudes towards mental health

Year 10 End of Year exams: Based on prior (2019-) standardised exams of topics covered (one extended writing question)

Year 11 topics Assessments: Progress check based on secure sample assessment midway through \* Retrieval grid issued for previously studied topics \* A timed 13 mark Qu \* End of topic assessment based on prior (2019-) standardised exams 24 marks including extended writing (1-13 marks).

#### Criminal

- Awareness of different types of crime
- ☐ How crime is measured
- □ Social Learning theory of criminal behaviour
- ☐ Eysenck's Criminal Personality theory and the link to the biological aspect of criminality
- ☐ Two key studies linked to the theories
- ☐ The role of rehabilitation
- ☐ The effects of punishment and deterrents on reducing criminal behaviour

#### **Research Methods**

- ☐ Planning research including hypotheses, sampling and design
- ☐ Ethical guidelines in research
- Different research methods: Experiments, Interviews, questionnaires, observations, case studies & correlations.
- Types of data, data handling and analysis.
  Evaluate each in terms of validity, reliability and bias.



Assessment: Progress check based on secure sample assessment midway through topic \* End of topic assessment based on prior (2019-) standardised exams 24 marks but no extended writing (S6 marks).

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# **PSYCHOLOGY SKILL**

Data analysis and other information

# **PSYCHOLOGY SKILL**

Evaluation and interpretation

## **PSYCHOLOGY SKILL**

Problem-solving

# **PSYCHOLOGY SKILL**

Application of theoretical perspectives