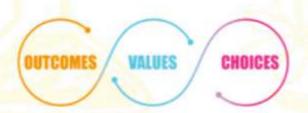


Btec Psychology - Curriculum Overview



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Unit 1: Psychological Approaches and Applications

LAA Cognitive, social learning and biological approaches to psychology

LAB Key concepts to explain aspects of human behaviour, the aims and procedures used to gather data and findings of key studies of the following approaches: cognitive, social, learning and biological

LAC Application of psychological approaches to explain aggression, consumer behaviour and gender

Unit 3: Health Psychology

LAA Psychological definition of health and ill health, addiction and stress; theories and studies investigating stress and addiction

Unit 2: Conducting Psychological Research

LAA Purpose and value of research in applied psychology, meanings and use of key terminology used in research, the research process to include research design, ethics, literature reviews, sources of literature and academic conventions of reporting research

LAB Advantages, disadvantages and appropriateness of methods to meet the aims and purposes of different psychological investigations, develop research proposals

LAC Conduct research, review the research process and findings, the implications of research into psychological inquiry

LAD Review implication of research into psychological enquiry

Unit 3: Health Psychology

LAB Causes and response to stress, the link between stress and ill health, principles of addiction (smoking, alcohol, gambling and shopping), effectiveness of approaches

LAC Theories of persuasion, approaches to managing stress and addiction, theories of behaviour change in relation to adherence of medical advice.

Unit 4 - Criminal and forensic psychology

LAA key concepts of theories and research used to explain a variety of types of criminal behaviour LAB The benefit to the individual and society of the application of behaviour modification strategies and punishment of the criminal LAC Methods of offender profiling, advantages, disadvantages and ethical considerations

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