

BSc Psychology with Criminology **Programme Specification**



1. Programme title	BSc Psychology with Criminology BSc Psychology with Criminology with Foundation Year
2. Awarding institution	Middlesex University
3. Teaching institution	Middlesex University: London Middlesex University: Dubai
4. Details of accreditation by professional/statutory/regulatory body	British Psychological Society
5. Final qualification	BSc (Hons) Psychology with Criminology
6. Year of validation	2018-19
Year of amendment	2019-20 2021-22
7. Language of study	English
8. Mode of study	F/T or P/T

9. Criteria for admission to the programme
120 UCAS points or equivalent. Maths, English & Science GCSE at grade 4 or better. Overseas students should have IELTS = 6.0 (with 5.5 minimum in each component) or equivalent. Please refer to the programme specification for the Foundation Year for the criteria for admission to the BSc Psychology with Criminology with Foundation Year programme.

10. Aims of the programme
The programme aims to:
1. Provide sound knowledge of Psychology and Criminology appropriate to future professional work.
2. Introduce the broad range of theoretical and methodological approaches to Psychology
3. Encourage students to develop a critical approach to their studies, evaluating theory and evidence accordingly;
4. Equip students to communicate effectively in written and numerical forms;

5. Encourage independent and experiential learning, the development of oral communication skills, and the capacity for independent work
6. Maintain wide access to study for students with suitable qualifications or experience.
7. Provide a grounding in all areas of psychology such that students may progress onto postgraduate training and education in psychology.
8. Provide students with excellent graduate skills

<p>11. Programme outcomes</p>	
<p>A. Knowledge and understanding On completion of this programme the successful student will have knowledge and understanding of :</p> <p>A1 The main theoretical approaches to Psychology and Criminology. A2 An understanding of the fundamentals of psychological research design & analysis. A3 Detailed knowledge & understanding of findings & debates in biological psychology. A4 Detailed knowledge & understanding of findings & debates in developmental psychology. A5 Detailed knowledge of findings & debates in cognitive psychology. A6 Detailed knowledge & understanding of findings & debates in social psychology. A7 Detailed knowledge and understanding of findings and debates in individual differences in psychology. A8 Detailed knowledge and understanding of findings and debates in criminology</p>	<p>Teaching/learning methods Students gain knowledge and understanding through attendance and participation in teaching sessions and independent research (with tutor support). Teaching will be a blend of online and face-to-face sessions. Teaching and learning will be delivered through a blend of online and face-to-face sessions.</p> <p>Assessment methods Students' knowledge and understanding is assessed by both formatively and summatively by examinations (MCQ, essay, short-answer), essays, practical reports, and dissertation work.</p>
<p>B. Cognitive (thinking) skills On completion of this programme the successful student will be able to:</p> <p>B1 Apply multiple perspectives to areas within psychology & criminology; B2 Integrate perspectives in psychology and/or criminology B3 Identify & evaluate patterns of behaviour & psychological functioning</p>	<p>Teaching/learning methods Students learn thinking skills through class discussion, guided independent study, tutor feedback presenting their ideas in written & oral form & participation in practical classes. Teaching and learning will be delivered through a blend of online and face-to-face sessions.</p>

<p>B4 Formulate & explore research questions.</p> <p>B5 Perform quantitative & qualitative data analyses.</p> <p>B6 Use statistical software to analyse data.</p> <p>B7 Design, implement, analyse and communicate independent and group project work.</p> <p>B8 Use literature search software to gather and evaluate academic work.</p> <p>B9 Use experimental software to design and run experiments.</p> <p>B10 Use psychophysiological equipment to gather and interpret data.</p> <p>B11 Demonstrate a range of interpersonal skills.</p>	<p>Assessment methods</p> <p>Students' skills are assessed by: examinations (Essay, short-answer), essays, workbooks, critical reviews, practical reports, dissertation work and video assessments.</p>
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12. Programme structure (levels, modules, credits and progression requirements)		
12. 1 Overall structure of the programme		
Year 1	Year 2	Final Year
PSY1020 (30 Credits) Mind & Behaviour in Context	PSY2005 (30 Credits) Applied Psychology Research Methods & Ethics	PSY3xxx (15 credits) Options
PSY1016 (30 Credits) Research Methods & Design in Psychology	PSY2007 (30 Credits) Social, Personality and Developmental Psychology	PSY3054 (15 Credits) Critical Forensic Psychology
PSY1018 (15 credits) Psychological Statistics	PSY2006 (30 Credits) Brain, Body and Mind	CRM3278 (15 Credits) Violent Crime
		CRM3282 (15 Credits) Forensic Mental Health and Offending
CRM1272 (15 Credits) Explaining Crime	CRM2270 (15 Credits) Contemporary Criminological Theory	PSY3330 (30 Credits) Psychology Dissertation OR PSY3331 (45 Credits) Extended psychology dissertation
CRM1276 (15 credits) Law for Criminology	CRM2277 (15 credits) Victimology	
PSY1022 (15 credits) Preparing for Academic Success		
		N.B. TKSU students take PSY3004 Psychology Placement (120 Credits) in Year 3.
<p>Students must complete a total of 120 credits in the final year. <i>Students must choose to take either:</i></p> <p>PSY3330 Psychology Dissertation (30 Credits)</p>		

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PSY3331 Extended Psychology Dissertation (45 Credits)
NB registration on PSY3331 is by application (see module narrative)

Students must take:

PSY3054 Critical Forensic Psychology
CRM3278 Violent Crime
CRM3282 Forensic Mental Health and Offending

Students can choose to take:

PSY3024 Professional Practice (30 credits)

The remaining credits must be filled with the following options, a maximum of one module can be taken from each block:

Autumn term Modules

Block 1:

PSY3034 Advanced Qualitative Research Methods (15 credits)
PSY3052 Neuropsychology: The healthy brain and what can go wrong with it (15 credits)
PSY3051 Applying health Psychology to behaviour change (15 credits)
PSY3054 Critical Forensic Psychology (15 credits)

Block 2:

PSY3058 Visual Psychology: Arts, Film and Photography in Psychology (15 credits)
PSY3046 Social, Cultural & Community Mental Health (15 credits)

Block 3:

PSY3035 Creativity & Imagination (15 credits)
PSY3042 Psychology in Education (15 credits)
PSY3046 How to DO cognitive neuroscience (15 credits)

Spring term Modules:

Block 4:

PSY3038 Psychology of Music (15 credits)
PSY3057 Primatology (15 credits)
PSY3053 Neuropsychology of language & communication (15 credits)
PSY3048 Key Issues and Controversies in the Psychology of Elite Sport Performance (15 credits)

Block 5:

PSY3043 Coaching Psychology (15 credits)
PSY3045 Lifespan Stages: Adult stages of development (15 credits)
PSY3036 Fundamentals of cognition: Human memory (15 credits)
PSY3031 The Science Of Intimate Relationships (15 credits)

Block 6:

PSY3039 Therapeutic Psychology (15 credits)
PSY3044 Lifespan Issues: Impact of Life Experience (15 credits)
PSY3055 Evolutionary Approaches to Behaviour (15 credits)
PSY3049 The Psychology of Stress, Motivation and Work-Life Balance (15 credits)

12.2 Levels and modules

Please refer to the programme specification for the Foundation year for the modules to be taken during the foundation year of the [BSc Psychology with Criminology with Foundation Year](#) programme.

Level 4 (1)

COMPULSORY

OPTIONAL

PROGRESSION REQUIREMENTS

Students must take all of the following: PSY1020 PSY1016 PSY1018 PSY1019 CRM1272 CRM1276	N/A	All modules at HE5 are required to be passed (or compensated) for progression to HE6.
Level 5 (2)		
COMPULSORY	OPTIONAL	PROGRESSION REQUIREMENTS
Students must take all of the following: PSY2005 PSY2006 PSY2007 CRM2270 CRM2277	N/A	All modules at HE5 are required to be passed (or compensated) for progression to HE6.
Level 6 (3)		
COMPULSORY	OPTIONAL	PROGRESSION REQUIREMENTS
Students must take one of the following: PSY3330 PSY3331 Students must take PSY3056 CRM3278 CRM3282	PSY3024 If 120 credits has not been reached students must fill those credits by choosing from the psychology final year optional modules. Students may take PSY3004 as part of a 4-year TKSW programme.	PSY3004>PSY3330/PSY3331 (TKSW)

12.3 Non-compensatable modules	
Module level	Module code
HE4	PSY1016 - Research Methods & Design in Psychology
HE4	PSY1018 – Psychological Statistics
HE5	PSY2005 - Applied Psychology Research Methods & Ethics
HE6	PSY3330 – Dissertation
HE6	PSY3331 – Extended Dissertation

13. Curriculum map
See attached.

14. Information about assessment regulations

Modules require a pass in all components

15. Placement opportunities, requirements and support (if applicable)

Placement opportunities are available to study psychology in the work place. These can be achieved either through full-time year-long study in year three of a four year degree or on a part-time basis alongside other study units in the final year of study. Please visit the Placement Office for more details.

Students who successfully complete the Psychology Placement module PSY3004 will receive a Diploma in Employability Studies.

16. Future careers (if applicable)

Graduates with a Lower Second Classification (or better) will be eligible to apply for BPS accredited Masters & Doctoral programmes leading to careers as a psychologist.

17. Particular support for learning (if applicable)

The Department of Psychology has extensive laboratory and workshop facilities.

1. Two computer laboratories
2. Group work laboratory
3. Psychophysiology laboratory
4. Suite of observation laboratories
5. Virtual reality lab
6. Nine testing cubicles/Counselling practice rooms

18. JACS code (or other relevant coding system)

C800

19. Relevant QAA subject benchmark group(s)

Psychology

20. Reference points

- QAA Subject Benchmarks
- BPS Qualifying Examination Syllabus
- BPS Guidelines for Accreditation
- University Learning and Teaching policies and strategy
- Student feedback
- External Examiner feedback

21. Other information

BPS accreditation requirements:

- broad coverage of the qualifying syllabus
- staff-student ratio lower than 20:1

Please note programme specifications provide a concise summary of the main features of the programme and the learning outcomes that a typical student might reasonably be expected to achieve if s/he takes full advantage of the learning opportunities that are provided. More detailed information about the programme can be found in the rest of your programme handbook and the university regulations.

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Appendix 2: Curriculum Map

Curriculum map for *BSc Psychology with Criminology*

This section shows the highest level at which programme outcomes are to be achieved by all graduates, and maps programme learning outcomes against the modules in which they are assessed.

Programme learning outcomes

Knowledge and understanding	
A1	The main theoretical approaches to Psychology and Criminology.
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A3	Detailed knowledge & understanding of findings & debates in biological psychology.
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A6	Detailed knowledge & understanding of findings & debates in social psychology.
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A8	Detailed knowledge and understanding of findings and debates in criminology
Skills	
B1	Apply multiple perspectives to areas within psychology & criminology;
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B3	Identify & evaluate patterns of behaviour & psychological functioning
B4	Formulate & explore research questions.
B5	Perform quantitative & qualitative data analyses.
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Programme outcomes																			
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6	A7	A8	A9	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	B8	B9	B10	B11
Highest level achieved by all graduates																			
6	6	5	6	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	5	5	6

Module Title	Module Code by Level	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1
Mind & Behaviour in Context	PSY1020			X	X	X	X	X					X							
Explaining Crime	CRM1272	X									X	X						X		
Law for Criminology	CRM1276	X									X	X						X		
Research Methods & Design in Psychology	PSY1016		X								X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Preparing for Academic Success	PSY1022	X									X	X						X	X	
Psychological statistics	PSY1018		X								X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Applied Psychology Research Methods & Ethics	PSY2005		X								X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Contemporary Criminological Theory	CRM2270	X								X	X	X								
Victimology	CRM2277	X								X	X	X								
Brain, Body and Mind	PSY2006	X	X	X		X		X		X	X	X		X				X		X
Social, Personality & Developmental Psychology	PSY2007	X	X		X		X	X		X	X	X		X		X	X			X
Violent Crime	CRM3278	X								X	X	X								X
Forensic Mental Health and Offending	CRM3282	X								X	X	X								X
Critical Forensic Psychology	PSY3054	X					X		X	X	X	X						X	X	
The Science Of Intimate Relationships	PSY3031	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X						X	X	
Advanced Qualitative Research Methods	PSY3034	X	X							X	X		X	X		X	X	X		
Creativity & Imagination	PSY3035																			
Fundamentals of cognition: Human memory	PSY3036	X				X				X		X						X	X	
Visual Psychology: Arts, Film and Photography in Psychology	PSY3058		X				X			X	X		X	X		X	X	X		
Psychology of Music	PSY3038	X	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	X				X	X	X	
Therapeutic Psychology	PSY3039																			
Psychology in Education	PSY3042	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X					X	X	X	
Coaching Psychology	PSY3043									X	X	X						X		
Lifespan Issues: Impact of Life Experience	PSY3044																			
Lifespan Stages: Adult stages of development	PSY3045																			
How to DO cognitive neuroscience	PSY3046		x	x		x								x	x	x	x	x		x
Key Issues and Controversies in the Psychology of Elite Sport Performance	PSY3048										X	X	X	X				X	X	
The Psychology of Stress, Motivation and Work-Life Balance	PSY3049																			
Applying health Psychology to behaviour change	PSY3051	x						x	x				x				x	x		

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Neuropsychology: The healthy brain and what can go wrong with it	PSY3052	X		X	X	X	X		X		X	X					X	X			
Neuropsychology of language & communication	PSY3053	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X		X					X	X		
Evolutionary Approaches to Behaviour	PSY3055																				
Social, Cultural & Community Mental Health	PSY3056																				
Primateology	PSY3057			X		X				X	X	X		X				X	X		
Dissertation	PSY3330	X	X										X	X	X			X			
Extended Dissertation	PSY3331	X	X										X	X	X	X	X	X			