



## **PARTNERS ACADEMIC SUMMER SCHOOL 2026**

### **Syllabus for Psychology**

#### **Subject Area**

This syllabus is for PARTNERS applicants seeking to progress to the degrees of:

- C800 BSc Hons Psychology
  - C859 BSc Cognitive Sciences
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#### **Aims**

To allow students to demonstrate their potential to succeed in specified degree programmes by showing a grasp of entry-level subject-specific knowledge, understanding, cognitive and subject-specific skills.

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#### **Learning Outcomes**

A good knowledge and understanding of ...

- Acquiring and evaluating psychological knowledge from a variety of sources, e.g. lectures, practical sessions, group work and through independent study.
- Explore a research question and interpret psychological information obtained from experiments or published data.
- Communicate psychological knowledge in oral form using the appropriate conventions of scientific communication.

The ability to apply this knowledge and critical understanding to...

- Carrying out an experimental study to answer a research question.
- Justifying an appropriate design to address a research question.
- Articulating a rationale based on their reading (supported by lecture input).
- Interpreting their finding and coming to a conclusion that is supported by the literature.
- Developing introductory skills in Excel
- Demonstrating 1-4 by creating a PowerPoint presentation (in small groups).

Competence in...

- Critically evaluate psychological literature

- Discuss methodological designs
  - Articulate research questions
  - Collect data
  - Analyse data
  - Interpret findings
  - Present and write clearly using scientific conventions (APA)
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## **Summer School Syllabus**

The Psychology Summer School uses a number of different teaching methods, including, lectures, practical sessions, group work and independent study.

Students are required to evaluate psychological knowledge and then conduct a study to answer a specific research question and interpret psychological information obtained from the analysis or from published data.

The students are then required to communicate psychological knowledge in small group discussions and through a presentation using appropriate scientific writing format and guidelines.

There are 23 academic sessions, 2 of which are used for independent data collection, and 2 sessions for independent student-led group work.

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## **Activities for Personal Study**

Students will be provided with reading and post-Class activities to complete during the Summer School. Reading will be provided via the Library Reading List feature within Canvas; exercise will be posted on Canvas before the Summer School commences.

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## **On-Campus Teaching:**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> (PM), Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

## **Online Teaching:**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June

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## **Formative Assessment Details**

A group presentation

More details will be given during the event by your Academic Strand Lead.

## **Hand-in Method**

Digital

## **Assessment deadline**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July