

As a psychology major, there are a wide variety of host institutions to choose from in Britain, Ireland, South Africa and Botswana. However, studying psychology in a different country allows you to learn familiar topics from a completely new perspective, including topics that are not covered by all US institutions. While a variety of traditional psychology courses are offered, here are some highlights unique to your host country's perspective. If you would like to see the full range of psychology offerings contact Interstudy for more information at 800.663.1999.

BRITAIN

Goldsmith's, University of London

PS52004A The Psychology of Life-Span Development

You explore concepts and theories of development; the course of development from infancy to old age; the psychology of middle childhood in relation to home and school; adolescence as a developmental period; the development of individual differences and sex differences; midlife, and the effects of ageing.

Other Courses Offered:

PS51005A The Psychology of the Person

PS52001A Biological Substrates of Behavior

PS53020 Anomalistic Psychology

PS53008A Psychopathology

University of St Andrews

PS4083 Psychology of Music

The aim of the module is to introduce students to psychological processes underlying music perception, cognition, and performance. The relationship between musical phenomena and mental functions will be illustrated. The module will cover different aspects of music perception including psychoacoustics and sound perception, music cognition including music memory emotion and expectancies, skilled performance as well as abnormalities in music perception and performance. The module will be taught in the form of seminars including student presentations. Emphasis will be placed on the development of critical thinking and the ability to relate conceptual debates in psychology to issues in the real world.

Other Courses Offered:

PS4084 Psychology of Visual Art

PS3032 Assessment in Clinical Psychology

PS3037 Perception

PS5101 Intellectual Disability Research

Swansea University

PS-221 Memory, Attention and Learning

This module examines the main conceptual issues of concern to an understanding of the cognitive processes.

Memory: historical background and current issues; strategic behaviour; meta-memory; knowledge base; the nature of forgetting and the relationship between recognition and recall; short term and long term memory; working memory and levels of processing. Attention: early theories of selective attention; divided attention and dual-task performance; automatic vs controlled attention; modular approach to attention; the zoom lens and spotlight analogies; attention and object recognition. Learning: The factors controlling the acquisition and expression of behaviour; classical and instrumental conditioning, elements and conditions of learning, complex contingency control, stimulus control, rule-governed behaviour.

Other Courses Offered:

PSA113 Introduction to Biological Basis of Behaviour

PSX234 Language and Lifespan Development

PS-308 Neuropsychology

PS-225 Brain and Behaviour

University of Westminster

1PSY409 History and Philosophy of Psychology

This module provides you with an awareness of the origins and development of psychology, its status as a science, classic psychological studies and possible future trends in psychology.

Other Courses Offered:

1PSY510 Development Psychology

1PSY619 Psychophysiology

1PSY413 Basic IT for Psychologists

1PSY512 Individual Differences

BRITAIN

University College London

PSYC1201 Memory and Decision

To introduce students to normative and descriptive theories of various types of decision making, and to enable students to understand basic processes of memory encoding, organization and retrieval.

Other Courses Offered: PSYC2207 - Perception, Attention, and Action , PSYC2208 - Cognition and Language, PSYC2206 - Health and Clinical Psychology, PSYC2209 - Developmental Psychology

University of Warwick

PS321 Ethnology and Sociobiology

At the end of the module, students should understand aspects of the ethological approach and where it differs from the psychological approach including: biologically based questions such as the "Argument from design": assessment of the function of behaviour and the optimal balance between costs and benefits; genetic influence on behavioural development and decision-making, in the interests of the genes rather than the individual; the evolution of social behaviour in the interests of individuals, with consequences such as "arms-races" and "runaway" which can be costly to both individuals and the group; the costs and benefits of evolving consciousness and culture, and the relation between decision-making and the biological functions of decisions.

Other Courses Offered:

PS211 Perception, Planning and Action, PS210 Language and Thought, PS218 Developmental Psychology

IRELAND

Queen's University of Belfast

105PSY380 Psychology of Serial Killers

This half module will address the question of why some individuals become serial killers. It will explore the definitions and typologies of serial killers, and what distinguishes these from other types of murderers. Possible explanations of why individuals become serial killers will be critically appraised. Case studies of killers will be undertaken. Profiling techniques will be reviewed and evaluated. The course will also consider the anti-hero status of some types of serial killers and public fascination with such crimes. The course will cover some potentially disturbing factual material.

Other Courses Offered:

105PSY353 Schizophrenia and Depression, 110PSY103 Everyday Psychology, 210PSY375 Animal Behaviour

University College Cork

AP2009 Lifespan Psychology

An introduction to the psychology of perception, memory, problem solving and language. Case studies from fields of application of psychology. Genetic and environmental factors in development. Major theories and research in cognitive, perceptual, social and emotional development in childhood and adolescence. Self and identity from the social psychological perspective. Group identity, inter-group behaviour, affiliation and pro-social behaviour.

Other Courses Offered:

AP2001 Cognition and Culture

AP2010 Individual Difference

AP3017 Abnormal Psychology

AP3019 Human Sexuality

National University of Ireland, Galway

PS320 Memory and Cognition

The aim of this course is to provide students with a good understanding of the basic cognitive processes of memory. It examines the nature, duration and capacity of human memory systems, memory distortions and the organisation of knowledge in memory. Other themes may include the psychology of problem solving and categorisation.

Other Courses Offered:

PS220 Psychology of Learning

PS407 Forensic, Abnormal and Clinical Psychology

PS403 Biological Psychology

PS260 Social Psychology

IRELAND

University of Limerick

PS4031 Psychology of Everyday Life

A psychology class unique not only to the Irish perspective, but from a Limerick specific view within the region.

Other Courses Offered:

PS4022 Psychology of the Personality

PS4035 Biological Basis of Human Behaviour

PS4011 Social Psychology 1

PS4027 Applied Psychology

National University of Ireland, Maynooth

PS302 Abnormal Psychology

The concept of abnormality in psychology. Defining and understanding abnormal behaviour. The classification of psychological disorders in adults including psychosis, mood disorders, anxiety disorders and personality disorders. Prevention, diagnoses, treatment and related issues in dealing with abnormal behaviour.

Other Courses Offered:

PS101 Biological and Developmental Psychology

PS102 Cognitive and Social Psychology

PS205 Personality and Intelligence

PS201 Biological Bases of Behaviour

Trinity College Dublin

PS3421 Memory, Synaptic Plasticity and the Brain

The course will cover the theoretical and experimental literature relating synaptic plasticity and memory formation by the brain. It will deal with a variety of brain systems, but will concentrate on the hippocampal and cortical contributions to the biology of memory.

Other Courses Offered:

PS1205 Evolutionary Psychology

PS2007 Developmental Psychology

PS1200 Cognition

PS3423 Creativity and Imagination

SOUTH AFRICA

Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University

Social Psychology 201 (SP201)

A study of the theory of psychological functioning of individuals in social situations (including systems theory) with specific reference to the South African context.

Other Courses Offered:

Sports and Exercise Psychology I (HMS134)

Psychology as a Profession 114 (SP114)

Psychometrics 301 (SP301)

Health Psychology 203 (SP03)

Rhodes University

Psychology I: Developmental Psychology and Learning

This module focuses on providing students with an introduction to the major developmental theories within Psychology. Attention is paid to biological development, as well as to psychosexual, cognitive, psychosocial and moral development. Part of the course also pays attention to an introduction to learning theories as developed by the Behaviourist school as well as social learning theories. Content and theorists covered include Attachment theory, Piagetian theory, Erikson, Bandura, Vygotsky, Watson & Skinner.

Other Courses Offered:

Social Psychology

Gender Psychology

Cognition and Intelligence

Research Design

NB: Course codes are only available shortly prior to beginning of the semester.

SOUTH AFRICA

University of Cape Town

PSY2003S Social Psychology and Intergroup Relations

What is prejudice? Where does it come from? What can we do about it? This course aims to provide students with some Social Psychological answers to these questions, drawing on a range of 'classic' and cutting-edge Social Psychological approaches to intergroup relations. Some of the topics covered will include group identification, in-group bias, personality and prejudice, perceived intergroup threat, stereotypes and dehumanisation. The course will look at some theoretically-based recommendations for improving intergroup relations.

Other Courses Offered:

PSY3010S Introduction to Clinical Neuropsychology

PSY3009F Applied Cognitive Science

PSY3007S Research in Psychology II

PSY2011F Clinical Psychology

University of KwaZulu-Natal, Howard College Campus, Durban

PSYC326 H1 Labour Relations: Context, Law, and Practice

A contextual understanding of labour relations in South Africa explores various theories of conflict and power, which challenge conventional conceptualizations. These theories are applied to contemporary case-studies of conflict escalation, namely strike action and diversity in the workplace. Strategies of conflict management and intervention—mediation, facilitation and negotiation—are historically placed and applied to current organization practices.

Other Courses Offered:

PSYC219 H1 Organizational Behaviour

PSYC317 H2 Trauma in Context

PSYC345 HI PI African Psychology

PSYC211 H2 Health Psychology

University of Kwazulu-Natal Pietermaritzburg Campus

PSYC103 P2 HIV/AIDS Counseling (16C)

Basic HIV/AIDS information; prevention of the disease; counseling for both testing and ongoing support; the continuum of care; legal, ethical and management issues.

Other Courses Offered:

PSYC209 P2 African and International Perspectives

PSYC345 HI PI African Psychology

PSYC306 P2 Psychology and the Law

PSYC304 P1 Health and Illness

University of the Witwatersrand

PSYC2004/PSYC2011 Personality and Developmental Psychology

This unit introduces selected theories in personality and developmental psychology. Aspects of both "normal" and "abnormal" personality and human development are considered from social, cognitive, emotional and other perspectives.

Highlights of Other Courses Offered:

PSYC2001/2010 Cognition and Social Psychology

PSYC3013/3028 Cognitive Neuropsychology III

PSYC3001/3024 Abnormal Psychology

PSYC3015/3029 Health Psychology III

Stellenbosch University

162(6) Industrial Psychology: Ergonomics

Nature and history of Ergonomics; humans in systems. Context: general environmental influences, legislation, management of productivity, technological development, culture, ecology, built-up environment. Work tasks: analysis, work and time study, materials handling; work environment: space and form, lighting, noise and vibration, temperature, air and chemicals, time; process: information and guidelines of design; input: displays; output: activities and rest periods, manual materials handling, control and tools. System failure: faults, health and safety. Humans and technology: facilities for special groups and disabled people; conclusion. Practical project: Ergonomics of a single person-machine system.

Other Courses Offered:

354(12) Industrial Psychology (Special)

112(4) Introduction to Human Resource Management

152(6) Occupational Psychology

BOTSWANA

University of Botswana

PSY406 Psychological Challenges of HIV/AIDS

A psychology class unique not only to the Southern Africa perspective, but from a Botswana specific view within the region.

Other Courses Offered:

PSY302 Psychological Testing and Psychometrics

PSY205 Research Methods and Statistics for Psychology

PSY201 Theories of Personality

PSY102 Biological Basis of Human Behaviour