

Year 10 Psychology

Semester 1 Course Outline

Psychology is the scientific study of thoughts, feelings and behaviours, which are heavily influenced by biology, past experiences and cultural aspects. The study of psychology enables students to understand their own behaviours and the behaviours of others and therefore has direct relevance to their personal lives.

The course content and major assessment tasks for this unit will be co-designed with the students. As a class, students will select five psychology topics for study. Format and focus of major written tasks will also be negotiated. Written tasks may include self-directed study of an area of psychology or the design and conducting of a simple experiment

Learning Outcomes

Students will be assessed on the following Learning Outcomes:

- 9/10.1078 - Critically analyses contextual factors that influence identities, relationships, decisions and behaviours
- 10.146 - Makes presentations and contributes actively to class and group discussions, building on others' ideas, solving problems, justifying opinions and developing and expanding arguments
- 10.434 - Constructs evidence-based arguments and selects appropriate representations and text types to communicate science ideas for specific purposes
- 10.724 - Processes, analyses and synthesises information from a range of primary and secondary sources and uses it as evidence to answer inquiry questions
- 10.770 - Explains the predicted outcomes and consequences of a proposal
- 10.803 - Uses appropriate texts, subject-specific language and concepts

Assessment Tasks

Students will be assessed on their participation and completion of classwork and assessment tasks.

Task	Week Due*
Written task (to be negotiated)	Term 1, Week 7
Class Quizzes	Term 1, Week 6 Term 2, Week 9
Written task and presentation (to be negotiated)	Term 2, Week 7
Classwork	Ongoing

*Due dates are an estimate only

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