

MODULE SPECIFICATION FORM

Module Title: Clinical Psychology	Level: 6 Credit Value: 20					
Module code: PSY607 Cost Centre	e: GAPS JACS3 code: C800					
Trimester(s) in which to be offered: 1 or 2 With effect from: Sept 2014						
Office use only: To be completed by AQSU:	ate approved: February 2014 ate revised: Aug 2020 updated ML and reading list					
Version no: 2 Existing/New Existing Title of module being replaced (if any):						
Originating Academic Department: Psychology Module Leader: Jo Turley						
hours): (ident	Status: core/option/elective Option (identify programme where appropriate):					
Programme(s) in which to be offered: BSc (Hons) Psychology	Pre-requisites per None programme (between levels):					

Module Aims:

To acquaint students with the main aspects of the discipline of Clinical Psychology.

Intended Learning Outcomes:

At the end of this module, students should be able to:

- 1. Critically discuss the key components of the development of Clinical Psychology as a profession (KS1, KS5)
- 2. Critically explore how concepts and models of psychological disorder have developed, and their relation to psychological research and clinical practice (KS 6, KS9)
- 3. Critically evaluate at least two approaches to psychological treatment e.g. psychodynamic, cognitive, and interpersonal (KS7)

Key skills for employability

- 1. Written, oral and media communication skills
- 2. Leadership, team working and networking skills
- 3. Opportunity, creativity and problem solving skills
- 4. Information technology skills and digital literacy
- 5. Information management skills
- 6. Research skills
- 7. Intercultural and sustainability skills
- 8. Career management skills
- 9. Learning to learn (managing personal and professional development, self-management)
- 10. Numeracy

Assessment:

- 1. An essay on a specified topic e.g. the contrasting approaches of differing schools of psychology to one of the key concepts covered by this module.
- 2. Practical report e.g. Aspects of culture in eating disorders.

Assessment number	Learning Outcomes to be met	Type of assessment	Weighting	Duration (if exam)	Word count (or equivalent if appropriate)
1	1, 2	Essay	50%		2000
2	3	Report	50%		2000

Learning and Teaching Strategies:

The module is delivered using 12 lectures (each 2 hours) and 12 practical sessions or workshops (each 2 hours) including teaching or guided learning to support the lecture content.

Syllabus outline:

- Historical concepts
- Clinical psychology as a profession
- The scientist-practitioner model of clinical psychology
- Cultural aspects in assessment, diagnosis and treatment
- Concepts of normality/abnormality
- Anxiety
- Schizophrenia
- Mood disorders
- Eating disorders
- Dementia
- Evaluating outcomes in intervention and therapy

Bibliography:

Essential reading:

Davey, G. (2014). *Psychopathology: Research, assessment, and treatment in clinical psychology.* Chichester, UK: BPS Wiley.

Other indicative reading:

- Comer, K.J. (2014). *Fundamentals of abnormal psychology*. (4th Ed). New York: Worth Publishers.
- Bennett, P. (2011). *Abnormal and clinical psychology: An introductory textbook.* (3rd Ed). *Milton* Keynes, UK: Open University Press.
- American Psychiatric Association. (2013). *Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders* (5th ed.). Arlington, VA: Author.

Journals:

- British Journal of Clinical Psychology
- British Journal of Psychiatry
- Professional Psychology: Research and Practice
- Journal of Abnormal Psychology
- The Psychologist
- **Psychological Assessment**
- American Psychologist
- Clinical Psychology: Science and Practice
- Psychotherapy