

MODULE SPECIFICATION PROFORMA

Module Code:	PSY620					
Module Title:	Clinical Psychology					
Level:	6	Credit Value:		20		
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Cost Centre(s):	GAPS	JACS3 code:		C800		
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School:	Social & Life Scie	Social & Life Sciences Mod Lead		Jo Turley		
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Scheduled learni	ing and teaching h	ours				24 hrs
Guided independent study					176 hrs	
Placement			0 hrs			
Module duration (total hours)					200 hrs	
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Programme(s) in which to be offered (not including exit awards) Core Option						
BSc (Hons) Psychology			✓			
Pre-requisites						
None.						

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Module Aims

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

Intended Learning Outcomes

Key skills for employability

KS1	Written, oral and media communication skills
KS2	Leadership, team working and networking skills
KS3	Opportunity, creativity and problem solving skills

KS4 Information technology skills and digital literacy

KS5 Information management skills

KS6 Research skills

KS7 Intercultural and sustainability skills

KS8 Career management skills

KS9 Learning to learn (managing personal and professional development, self-

management)

KS10 Numeracy

At	the end of this module, students will be able to	Key Skills	
1	Critically discuss the key components of the development of Clinical Psychology as a profession	KS1 KS5	
2	Demonstrate an appreciation for how concepts and models of psychological disorder have developed, and their relation to psychological research and clinical practice	KS6 KS9	
3	Critically evaluate at least two approaches to psychological treatment e.g. psychodynamic, cognitive, and interpersonal	KS7 KS1 KS5	

Transferable skills and other attributes

Study, writing and IT skills.

Use of appropriate data.

Problem solving skills.

Research Skills.

Derogations		
None.		

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Indicative Assessment Tasks:

- 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. Case study exploring aspects of psychological disorder

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%	n/a	2,000
2	3	Case Study	50%	n/a	2,000

Learning and Teaching Strategies:

The module is delivered using a mixture of lectures, seminars and practical/workshop sessions including teaching or guided learning to support the lecture content. There will be a focus on the original source material which will include a combination of classic and contemporary research studies using a variety of research methods. The practical sessions/workshops will combine student-led discussion, practical sessions in the psychology laboratory, and directed study.

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

Indicative 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