



The Crypt School

Psychology Department

Psychology is currently taught at A Level, there are two teaching groups in both Year 12 and 13, with over 60 students studying the subject. It is intended that the successful candidate will introduce Sociology into the A Level curriculum from September 2019. Although there is currently only one psychology teacher (the head of department), with the introduction of Sociology, it is recognised that there will be a need to share the teaching requirements with another colleague. It is also possible, that at least one of those two subjects will be introduced into the GCSE curriculum as our co-educational years groups move up through the School. Therefore, it is highly likely that the scope of this role will grow over the next few years.

Many of our students progress on to degree courses in psychology or related subjects such as criminology. Examination results have been consistently good.

Each subject area has specific entry requirements relating to the skills required for Advanced level study in the context of the overall sixth form (A level) entry requirement of five passes, 9-6, at GCSE. All examination courses offered by the School are designed to meet the needs of students who are academically able, but who will include some of a wider ability range. The School is proud to attract many disadvantaged students into its Sixth Form and firmly believes that each individual has the potential to succeed. To this end, alongside whole school policies, we are developing strategies for the individualised monitoring and support of our students through continuous assessment. We have a strong commitment to equal opportunities.

We aim to develop our students' appetite for knowledge, by integrating into the learning experience as many opportunities for curriculum related visits, outside speakers etc. as practicable. We also offer extra-curricular support through revision and homework clubs.

All teachers are encouraged to develop innovative learning and teaching strategies and to develop new skills through training and the sharing of good practice. Each member of the teaching staff has a role in developing both their own and others' teaching and in collaboratively enhancing and developing our curriculum offer.

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