

Module Code:	PSY622
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Module Title:	Social Psychology
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Level:	6	Credit Value:	20
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Cost Centre(s):	GAPS	JACS3 code:	C800
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School:	Social & Life Sciences	Module Leader:	Jo Turley
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Scheduled learning and teaching hours	24 hrs
Guided independent study	176 hrs
Placement	0 hrs
Module duration (total hours)	200 hrs

Programme(s) in which to be offered (not including exit awards)	Core	Option
BSc (Hons) Psychology	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>

Pre-requisites
None

Office use only

Initial approval: 08/03/2018

Version no: 1

With effect from: 20/09/2021

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Version no: 2

Module Aims

- To develop a critical understanding of the psychological concepts, theories and methods that are relevant to the study of social interactions, attitudes and behaviours within society.
- To identify and explore the interface between individual, interpersonal, and group behaviour in a variety of social contexts
- To underpin the notion of psychology as an integrated subject

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

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1	Critically discuss theoretical and empirical aspects of social psychology	KS1	
		KS5	
		KS10	
2	Critically discuss and differentiate individual, interpersonal, and group behaviour	KS3	
		KS2	
		KS9	
3	Articulate important social psychological processes and factors, such as social influence and attitudes	KS4	
		KS5	
		KS6	
4	Critically evaluate research methods in relation to social psychology	KS6	KS1
		KS3	
		KS4	

Transferable skills and other attributes

Study, writing and IT skills.
 Use of appropriate data.
 Problem solving skills.
 Research Skills.

Derogations

None.

Assessment:

Indicative Assessment Tasks:

Assessment 1: An in-class presentation of a research proposal to include all ethical considerations.

Assessment 2: A research project on an area of social psychology which is to be submitted as an APA report.

Assessment number	Learning Outcomes to be met	Type of assessment	Weighting (%)	Duration (if exam)	Word count (or equivalent if appropriate)
1	4	Presentation	10%	n/a	n/a
2	1,2, 3	Report	90%	n/a	4,000

Learning and Teaching Strategies:

The learning and teaching strategy will employ formal lecture, group and independent working. The prime strategy will be 'learning by doing', this will be achieved through structured lectures, workshops, seminars, and practical exercises.

Syllabus outline:

Social Cognition
 Attribution
 Attitudes
 Group Process
 Intergroup Relations
 Culture
 Close relationships
 Social Constructionism
 Self and Identity
 Leadership

Indicative Bibliography:**Essential reading**

Hewstone, M., Stroebe, W., & Jonas, K. (2015). *An introduction to social psychology* (6th ed.). Chichester, UK: BPS Blackwell.

Other indicative reading

Brown, R. J. (2009). *Prejudice: It's social psychology* (2nd ed.). Oxford, UK: Wiley Blackwell.

Brown, R. J. (2019). *Group processes: Dynamics within and between groups* (3rd ed.). Oxford, UK: John Wiley & Sons.

Fugere, M. A., Leszczynski, J. P., & Cousins, A. J. (2015). *The social psychology of attraction and romantic relationships*. London, UK: Red Globe Press.

Maio, G. R., Haddock, G., & Verplanken, B. (2019). *The psychology of attitudes & attitude change* (3rd ed.). London, UK: Sage

Zebrowitz, L. A. (1990). *Social perception*. Milton Keynes: Open University Press

Journals:

British Journal of Social Psychology

European Journal of Social Psychology

Journal of Personality and Social Psychology

Journal of Experimental Social Psychology

Journal of Applied Social Psychology

The Journal of Social Psychology