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Psychology BSc Programme Briefing

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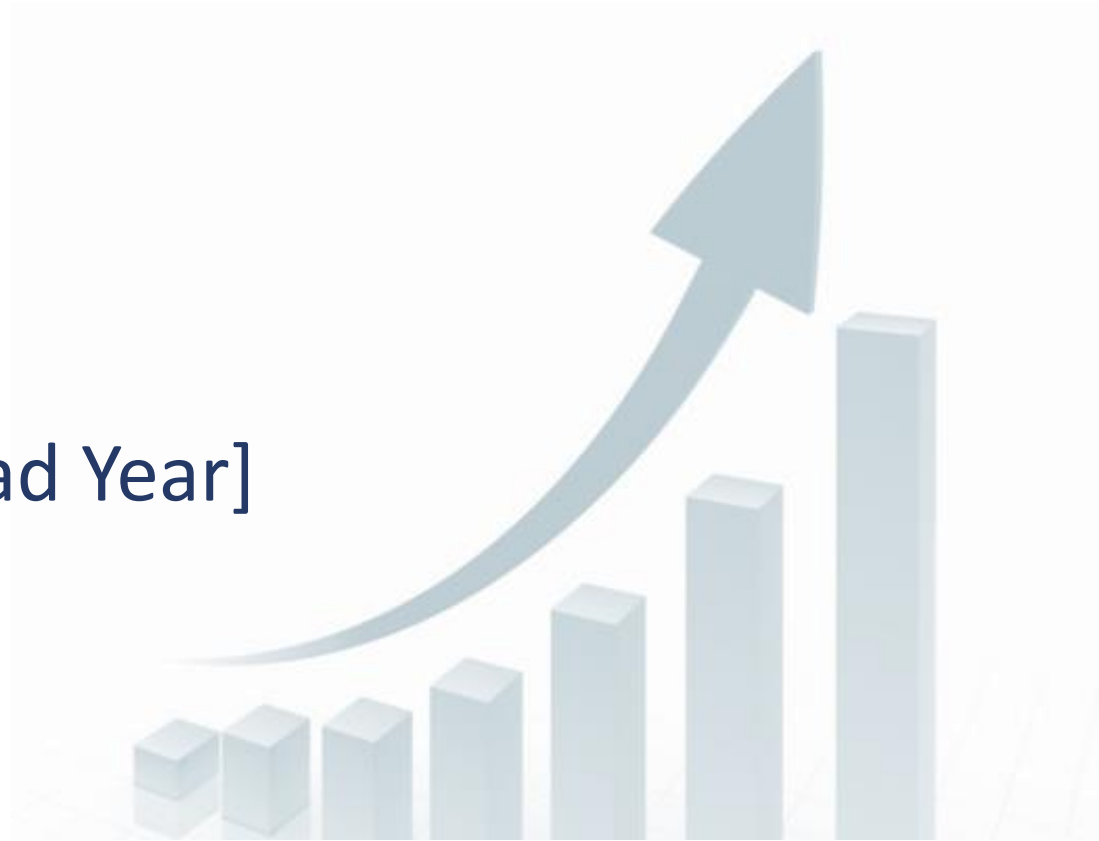
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What's will your year look like?

BSc Psychology

Structure of the Programme

- First year (10%)
- Second year (30%)
 - [Placement or Study Abroad Year]
- Final year (60%)



Programme Structure – Year 2

Semester A

- Research Methods and Statistics II
- Social Psychology
- Cognitive Psychology
- Comparative Psychology
- Health Psychology

Semester B

- Research Methods and Statistics II (cont.)
- Developmental Psychology
- Individual Differences
- Psychopathology

Programme Structure – Year 3

Semester A

- Research Project
- Electives
 - Nature, Nurture, Mental Health
 - Cognitive & Behavioural Therapy
 - Cyberpsychology
 - Working with Vulnerable Groups
 - Forensic Psychology

Semester B

- Research Project or Extended Essay
- Electives
 - Business Psychology
 - Counselling Psychology
 - Social Development
 - Cognitive & Affective Neuroscience
 - Psychology of Play & Games
 - Sports & Exercise Psychology



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How will you learn?

How will you learn?

QMPlus


<https://qmplus.qmul.ac.uk/>


- Queen Mary's Virtual Learning Environment
- QMPlus page for each module
 - Contains all information you need for that module


PSY100 - Essential Skills for Psychologists - 2023/24

Module Settings Participants Grades Reports More ▾

▾ General Collapse all


 **Module Announcements**
Module Announcements made by the module organiser. You cannot reply to these messages.

 **Module Forum**
Please use this forum to ask questions about the module and module content, openly or anonymously. You can reply to any posts made on this forum.

 **Tutor list**
List of all tutors and their email addresses.

Module Content Lectures Qreview + recordings Tutorials Assessments MME Link - Zoom

▾ Module guide

 **Module Guide 2022-23** 248.5 KB

▾ MODULE SCHEDULE

How will you learn?



Student-Paced Learning Activities

- Foundation for Group Sessions
- Completed on your own schedule

Examples:

- Videos/Recorded lectures
- Activities
- Reading
- Discussion forums

***4 – 8 Hours Per Week/Module**

Co-curricular Activity

- Activities outside curriculum
- Help build skills, complement learning

Examples:

- Psychology Society, Clubs, Sports
- Peer Mentorship

Interactive Large Group Sessions

- Timetabled
- Test, progress and stretch your understanding
- Build on student-paced learning activities

Example:

- Weekly interactive lectures
- *2 Hours Per Week/Per Module**

Facilitated Sessions

- Timetabled
- Interactive
- Apply knowledge and practice skills
- Build on student-paced learning & group sessions

Examples:

- PSY209 Research Methods & Statistics labs
- Sessions/workshops for PSY600

Small Active Learning Groups

- Student-led learning
- Consolidate, test, teach with peers

Examples:

- Study Groups
- Group Projects



How will you learn?

Learning Activity

Time Per Week

Independent Learning Activities

5 – 8 h

Large Group Session

2 h

Facilitated Lab/Tutorial Sessions

0 - 2 h

Student Small Activity Groups

varies

Cocurricular Activities

varies

Total time PER MODULE

7 – 12 h

X 4 modules

28 – 48 h/week

How will you learn?

Student is a Full-Time Job!

- Expect to spend 30-40 h/wk
- Organise your workload
- Plan your time



Coursework Calendar

All coursework deadlines for the year*

- [QMPlus: Information for Psychology students > Key Information > Coursework Calendar](#)

Deadlines spaced out as much as possible

- Only one deadline worth >10% per week



My Advice: Download calendar and add due dates to your diary NOW.

Plan your assignment preparation in advance!



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What's new at Queen Mary?

In-Person Attendance Required

It is expected that you attend all timetabled lectures & labs **in-person**

- Lecture attendance predicts academic performance (Edwards & Clinton, 2019; Credé, et al., 2010)

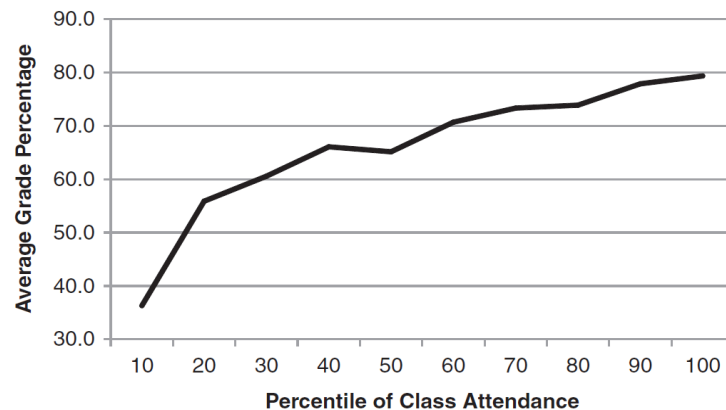


FIGURE 5. Illustration of the curvilinear relationship between attendance and grade outcomes. Data from Gendron and Pieper (2005).

QM Regulations require a minimum of 70% **IN-PERSON** ENGAGEMENT

In-Person Attendance Required

Check in at each lecture by scanning your ID card at the entrance

- Records your *engagement* with the module
- Expect to see 70% engagement at minimum, as per QMUL regs
- Please see **SBBS Student Handbook** for consequences for not-engaging in-person

In-Person Attendance Required

Zoom is an option for *most* sessions

- *Exceptions:* labs and sessions in which in-person interaction or group work are essential to the learning outcomes
- **However, Zoom is NOT a replacement for in-person attendance**
 - Lecturer's attention will be on in-person students
 - Zoom will not always work
 - Learning outcomes not achieved as well (Betton & Branston, 2022)

In-Person Attendance Required

Zoom is NOT a replacement for in-person attendance

Use Zoom or QReview:

-In emergencies/when ill

-To review and consolidate learning

Online attendance via Zoom or Qreview counts towards engagement, but **Zoom does not count towards the 70% minimum requirement for in-person attendance**

In-Person Attendance Required

What happens if I'm sick?

- Always prioritize your health; do not attend in person, please stay home and recover
- Watch via Zoom (if available) or catch up with Qreview
- If sick for multiple classes, please email your MO

What happens if I have work?

- Do your best to schedule work around your classes
- Catch up with Qreview

If you are unable to make 70% of in-person attendance because of illness or work, please arrange a meeting with your Academic Advisor to discuss.

In-Person Attendance Required

What happens if I forget to tap my card?

- It's okay if you forget to tap your card, especially in the first few weeks of Semester A. We know that this is a new habit, and you'll forget on occasion.
- Remember, the expectation is about 70% overall, so if you forget to tap a time or two, you'll still be engaging well
- **You do not need to email your lecturers if you forget to tap your card**, but if you do miss several classes in a row, you might want to check in.

In-Person Attendance Required

What happens if my IN-PERSON engagement falls below 70%?

Please see SBBS Student Handbook for consequences for not-engaging in-person

QMPlus SBBS UG Landing Page/Student Manual/Student Handbook



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Questions so far...



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Are online exams in class or remote?

Online exams are remote for 23/24

Will current Y2 students get the same workshops for Year 3 essay exams?

We will offer workshops to help prepare for Y3 exams, tailored to the exam format for 24/25

For Y2: with 24h essay exams, how does that work? Do we need to conduct article research on QM Library?

If this relates to the PSY211 Midterm essay, please direct questions to the Module Forum



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How do we apply for a placement year?

How do you ensure your extra time is given – do you need to do anything extra, aside from being registered with DDS?

You can find information about this in the BSc Psychology Handbook 23/24, and in information sessions linked below

DDS extra time will be provided automatically for final exams once. For timed in-class assessments (under 24h), your module organizer will add extra time. You could email them just to remind them.



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**Is my attendance only tracked by tapping in?
What about engagement online?**

So if I attend online does it count towards my attendance?

Update from Prof. Stephen Buckingham:

Online attendance counts towards engagement but is designed only for emergency situations. It does not count towards the 70% minimum requirement overall.



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Information about Year Abroad

Including dates for networking events, events announcements

GO ABROAD DURING YOUR DEGREE WITH GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES

- Choose from a range of destinations and find the right fit: flexible opportunities including summer
- **Bursaries and grants prioritised for students from low-income backgrounds and widening participation backgrounds**
- **Gain benefits**, make your CV stand out, develop a strong skillset
- **Learn more at a promotional talk (02 October, 25 October, 07 November)**
- **Attend the Go Abroad Networking Event on 11 October to meet students who have been abroad** (*event details will be advertised on QMplus page*)
- **Get support** where and when you need it, every step of the way:
 - ✓ **Connect** with Global Opportunities Ambassadors
 - ✓ **Meet** with teams across Queen Mary such as the Advice and Counselling Service and the Disability and Dyslexia Service
 - ✓ **Attend** new workshops to help you prepare to apply for an exchange abroad (*these will be held throughout October and November; details will be advertised on QMplus page*)

Discover more
on our webpages



“Going abroad is a great way of getting a sense of who you are because you are actively challenging your comfort zone.”

- Lucia Rodriguez, BA Politics and International Relations, exchange abroad at the University of Hong Kong, 2021/22

Enrol now on our
QMplus page to receive
all announcements about
events and deadlines



Deadline to apply for an exchange abroad during 2024/25: 22 November 2023 (11am UK time)



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Information about Year in Industry

SBBS CAREERS CLUB

2nd October 3-4pm, Bancroft 1.13

- Are you an SBBS student in second year?
- Are you interested in finding work experience & don't know where to start from?
- Are you enrolled /interested in a Year in Industry/Year with Professional Experience?
- Then do not miss out this session!
- Book your place at the QM Careers Hub [HERE](#)



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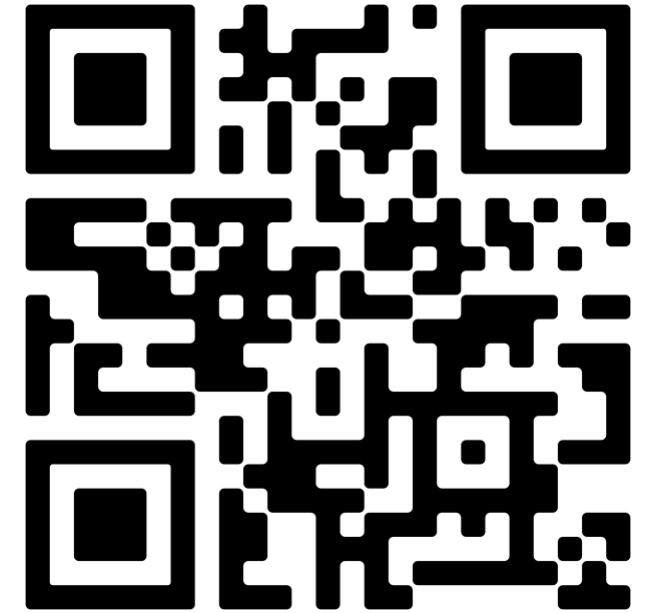
Information about Careers

Support from Careers and Enterprise

- 1:1 Appointments – Career guidance, help with CVs & applications, practice interviews, finding work experience & running your own business.
- Events – Sector specific fairs, skills workshops, & networking nights.
- Programmes – Gain work experience through QMUL internships & programmes.

Find us on the ground floor of IQ East, Mile End Road
(opposite the Queens' Building).

Call 020 7882 8533 or use [QMCareers Hub](#)





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What's new at Queen Mary?

New Final Exam Timing for 23/24

Retirement of “Inclusive by Design” Policy by the University
Please see email from Stephen Buckingham

New Exam Timing:

- Y2 50Q MCQ Exams: 75 minutes
- Y3 Essay Exams: 2 hours
- Extra timing *automatically* provided for students registered with DDS who have exam timing accommodations

New Final Exam Timing for 23/24

How we can help with this transition:

Y2 MCQ Exams:

1. Practice MCQ exam (Wk 4 – 7)

1. 75 minutes on content from Y1 Research Methods & Statistics
 - Extra time provided for students with DDS exam accommodations

New Final Exam Timing for 23/24

How we can help with this transition:

Y3 Essay based exams:

1. Video recording reviewing Exam Essay Marking Scheme (Wk2)
2. Workshop on how to write timed essays (Wk 3 – 4)
3. Practice timed essay (Wk 4 – 7)
 1. 2 hours, plus extra time for students with DDS exam accommodations
4. Workshop reviewing practice timed essay and marking scheme (Wk 8 – 10)

New Final Exam Timing for 23/24

If you have a learning difference, please register with DDS!

<http://www.dds.qmul.ac.uk/>

Must register by October 20th to receive exam accommodations!

If you have already registered with DDS, you DO NOT HAVE TO RE-REGISTER EACH YEAR (unless your learning differences have changed, and you would like an updated plan)

Other suggestions for how we can help with exams?

For Y2 students, do the 24h essay (coursework assessment) require references at the end of the essay?

For questions about module coursework, please post on the Module Forum. The MO is best suited to answer

Stay organized

Agreed!

Extra classes for Statistics Y2

If you want additional statistics practice, please post to the Module Forum. The MO is best able to help.

Other suggestions for how we can help with exams?

Example Questions

Yup! There will be example questions for almost all of your exams. You can find them on QMPlus

Reduce Content!

There *is* a lot to cover in our modules because we want to give you a solid, detailed background in Psychology as per our BPS Accreditation requirements. But I know it's a lot! Spacing out your learning and reviewing as you go along is key.

Getting practice help sessions

Yes! We are launching practice exams this year to help, see previous slides. Keep an eye out for updates!

Other suggestions for how we can help with exams?

More tutorials/tutor contact

We unfortunately don't have tutorials in Y2 and Y3, but you can *always* email your academic advisor for a meeting. You'll also have small group sessions with your Dissertation advisors in Y3

Model Essays

We tend to avoid posting model essays because there is no perfect "model answer"; there are lots of ways to get a "first".

We will have sessions going over the marking scheme, workshops on critical appraisal & feedback, essay writing workshops, practice essays with peer feedback, and workshops going over the practice exam to help, though!

Other suggestions for how we can help with exams?

Lots of timed essay practice

We will have timed exam essay practice for you with a few question options, so you can repeat the practice if useful!

To have a workshop where we write detail essays

We will have sessions on essay writing and timed essay writing, but we don't usually have time in a workshop to actually *write* an essay. Let me think on this, okay?

Other suggestions for how we can help with exams?

Can we have short classes going over how to summarize literature in essays and essay techniques?

Lots of real-life examples within lecture content

We will have workshops on essay writing and timed essay writing. Keep an eye out for these sessions okay? I'll see what I can do about adding sessions on how to summarize literature, too.

Good suggestion! Pls ask your MO (module organizer) for real-life examples of concepts you learn in class.

Other suggestions for how we can help with exams?

For the essay, will we be expected to use other resources apart from lecture content and the book to answer the essay?

Pls ask your MO for specific guidance about how to answer exam and coursework essays

Can we have extra module revision sessions?

Pls ask your MO for help with revision/extra sessions

Comparisons between a 1:1, 2:1, and 2:2 essay

We will go over this in our essay writing workshop, and likely in the practice exam workshop as well



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What's new at Queen Mary?

Psychology Academic Staff



Psychology Academic Advisors

You will meet with your advisor one-on-one several times each year

- You can always ask them for a meeting!

**Your Advisor will reach out via email
in Weeks 1 – 3 to set up a meeting with you**

Please respond and connect with your advisor!

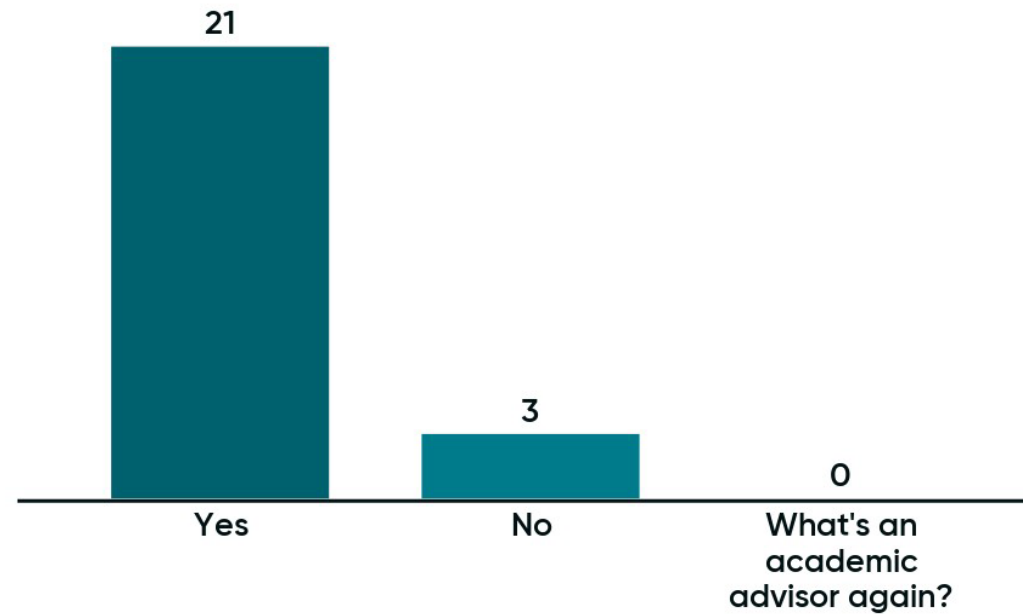


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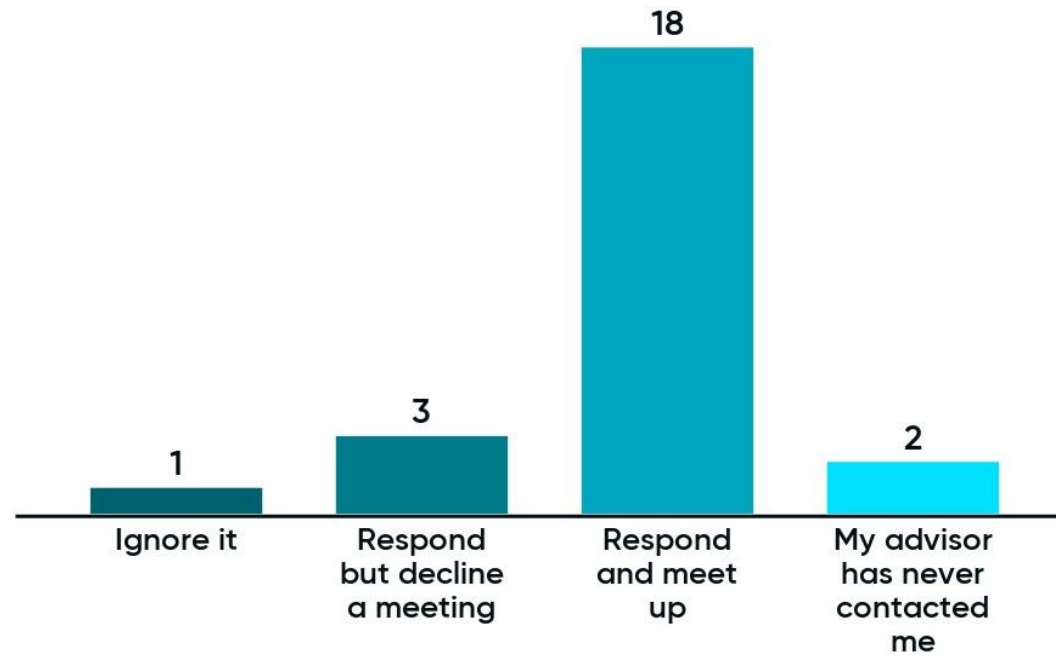
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Do you know who your academic advisor is?



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What do you do when your academic advisor contacts you for a meeting?



Psychology Academic Advisors

Who is my advisor?

If you've forgotten who your advisor is, they are listed on your MySIS record

My Advisor has not contacted me/is not responding to my emails?

Please contact your Year Tutor or DTL at sbbs-psych-dtl@qmul.ac.uk

New Year Tutors!



Dr. Lucie Charles
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Reach Out for Support

SBBS Student Support Team

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QMUL Advice and Counselling Service

<https://www.welfare.qmul.ac.uk/>

QMUL Dyslexia and Disabilities Service

<http://www.dds.qmul.ac.uk/>



Our Psychology Community

~530 Undergraduate Students

~100 Post-Graduate Students

~35+ Academic & Research Staff



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SBBS Psychology Course Representative

- Represent Psychology students
- Liaise between students and staff
- Work with DTL and the SBBS Director of Student Experience

Nominations open Sept 18 – Oct 2
Elections October 9 – 13

Find out more!

<https://www.qmsu.org/yourvoice/ reps/courser eps/>

Get Involved!

Research Seminar Series

- Psychology: Wednesdays, 1 – 2pm
- SBBS: Thursdays, 1 – 2pm

Student Voice Meetings With Year Tutor Lucie Charles

Coffee/Tea Sessions with Year Tutor Lucie Charles

Question? Who do you ask?

If your question is about a module or module content:

1. Check Qmplus
2. Post to Module Forum
3. Ask your Module Organizer

If your question is about your academic progression, exam marks, overall academic advice, or personal issue:

1. Academic Advisor
2. Year Tutor (Y2: a.apergis-schoute@qmul.ac.uk; Y3: j.agnew-blais@qmul.ac.uk)
3. Programme Tutor (Sevasti Foka, s.foka@qmul.ac.uk)

If your question is about our Psychology programme overall

1. Psychology Programme Forum under “Latest News” on *Information for Psychology Students* QMPlus Page
2. Year Tutor
3. Director of Teaching & Learning (Stephanie Echols, s.echols@qmul.ac.uk)

Homework!

Visit QMPlus
Information for
Psychology
Students Page

Read Programme
Handbook for
Psychology!

Plan access for
Psychology
Reading Lists!

The screenshot shows the QMPlus interface for 'Information for Psychology Students'. The page has a dark blue header with the QMPlus logo, 'All Modules', and 'Help'. A search bar and notification icons are in the top right. A pink sidebar on the left contains navigation icons. The main content area is titled 'Information for Psychology Students' and includes tabs for 'Module', 'Participants', and 'Competencies'. Below these are several filter tabs: 'Key information', 'Student voice - your feedback', 'Advisors and your welfare', 'Psychology Society', 'Learning Resources', 'Careers and Work Experience', 'Third-Year Module Fair', and 'BPS'. A 'Staying in touch' section is collapsed, and a 'Programme Information' section is expanded. A descriptive paragraph states: 'This section contains all the important information you might need about the BSc Psychology.' Below this are four document cards: 'Academic Contacts' (with a sub-description), 'Psychology Programme Handbook 2023-24' (486.8 KB), 'Reading list 2023/2024' (87.9 KB) (with a sub-description), and 'British Psychological Society (BPS) Accreditation'. Three blue arrows point from the text on the left to the 'Information for Psychology Students' title, the 'Psychology Programme Handbook 2023-24' card, and the 'Reading list 2023/2024' card.

Homework!

Questions about the course?

Post them to the **Psychology Programme Forum!**

QM All Modules Help

Home Calendar

Information for Psychology Students

Key information Student voice - your feedback Advisors and your welfare Psychology Society Learning Resources

Careers and Work Experience Third-Year Module Fair BPS

Staying in touch Collapse all

You can find various ways of getting in touch with Psychology staff in this section. Feel free to use the forums provided for any questions you have!

Psychology Programme Forum

If you have any questions about the Psychology program, issues that you want to raise, or celebrations that you want to share, please do so here, on our group Psychology Programme Forum.

If someone raises an issue/question that you also have, please respond to the post to share your point of view.

If you have an answer, please also share!

This forum will be checked regularly by the Director Of Teaching & Learning, who will also provide answers and information to issues raised.

Thank you for sharing your thoughts!

Psych Marketplace and Idea Exchange

This is a forum where anyone in psychology can ask questions about the programme, share job tips or sell items like unwanted textbooks.

Announcements

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