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Psychology BSc Programme Briefing – Year 3

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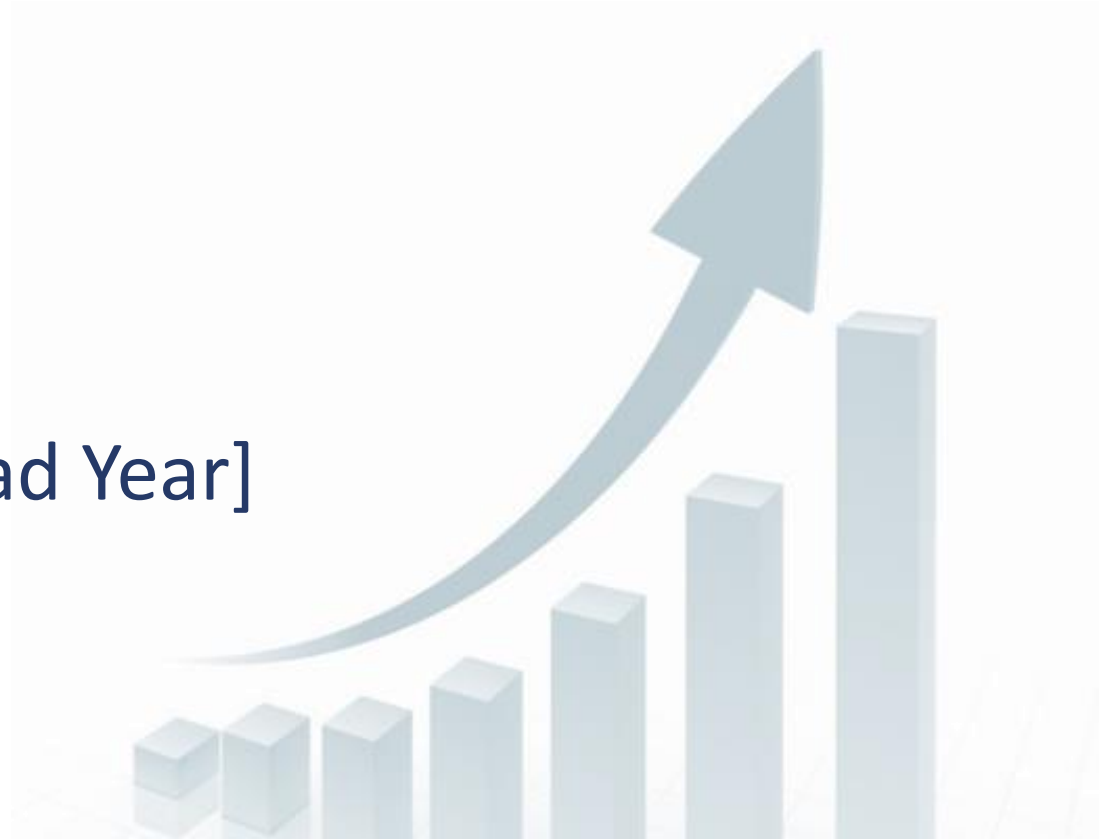
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What's will your year look like?

BSc Psychology

Structure of the Programme

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



Programme Structure – Year 3

Semester A

- Research Project
- Electives
 - Nature, Nurture, Mental Health
 - Cognitive & Behavioural Therapy
 - Psychology of Play & Games
 - Working with Vulnerable Groups
 - Forensic Psychology
 - Child & Adolescent Mental Health

Semester B

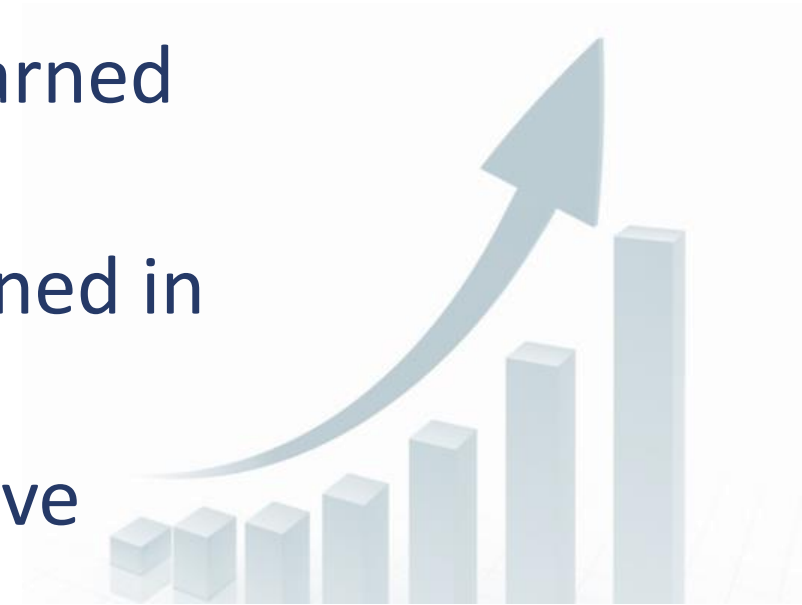
- Research Project or Extended Essay
- Electives
 - Business Psychology
 - Counselling Psychology
 - Social Development
 - Cognitive & Affective Neuroscience
 - Sports & Exercise Psychology
 - The Science of Consciousness

Expectations for year 3

You have 2 years of psychology knowledge

Expectations for Year 3 are higher

- Expect you to remember what you learned in Years 1 and 2 and *expand on it*
- Expect you to apply the skills you learned in Years 1 and 2 and *develop them*
- Expect you to be independent and solve problems



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
- Careers Events

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:

- Sessions/workshops for PSY600

Small Active Learning Groups

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

Examples:

- Study Groups, Dissertation Group
- 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 - 1 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



In-Person Attendance Required

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

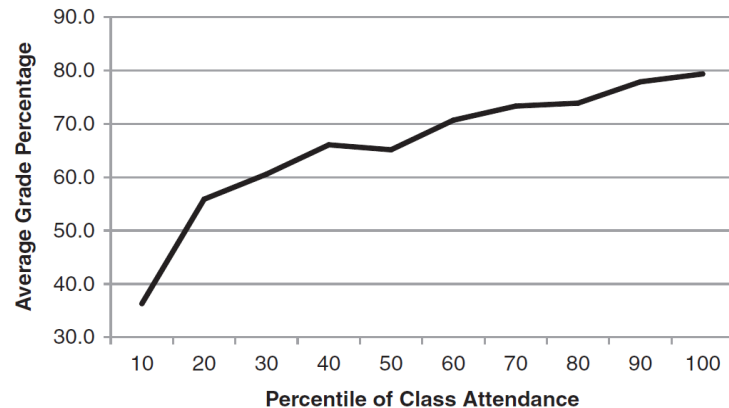


FIGURE 5. Illustration of the curvilinear relationship between attendance and grade outcomes. Data from Gendron and Pieper (2005).

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

In-Person Attendance Required

Please continue to check in at each lecture by scanning your ID card at the entrance in the first 10 minutes of class time

- 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)



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What's new at Queen Mary?

Final Exam Format for 24/25

Year 3 exams

- Online
- Essay exams: 1500 word essay (choose 1 of 2 options)
- 2h writing period, plus extra time to upload to QMPlus

- Extra timing *automatically* provided for students registered with DDS who have exam timing accommodations

Year 3 Essay-Based Exams: SUPPORT

Y3 Essay based exams:

1. Video recording reviewing Exam Essay Marking Scheme (Wk2)
2. Workshop on timed essay writing
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 9 – 11)

Final Exams for 24/25

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

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

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)



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**Other suggestions for
how we can help you
prepare for exams?**

Suggestions

an example of an essay would be helpful to see what's realistic style of writing

- *Unfortunately, we do not provide model answers on most- if not all of our assessments. This is because there is more than one way to get a first, and our experience tells us that providing a model answer limits the creativity and critical thinking in student answers.*

could we get in detail feedback or meetings on assignments we've done in the past to help?

- *Yes, you're more than welcome to set up a meeting with your academic advisor to review feedback and plan how to improve moving forward*

Suggestions

Practice exams for specific modules e.g nature, nurture, mental health

- *There are indeed practice exam questions for all Year 3 modules in our Psychology exam database. You can find it, along with exam help and FAQs on the Information for Psychology Students QMPlus page under the tab, “Exam Preparation” here: qmplus.qmul.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=11270#section-3*

making criteria?

- *There is a detailed video walk-through of the essay-based marking criteria, including discussing what makes a first, 2:1, etc. on the Information for Psychology Students QMPlus page under the tab, “Exam Preparation”:
qmplus.qmul.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=11270#section-3*

Questions

Will all exams be online?

- *All centrally-timetabled exams will be online*

Will the exams be in the morning?

- *Exam times may vary; exams are set centrally at QMUL and should be released around week 10*

When will the questions of the essay be released?

- *Exam questions will be released when the exam opens.*
- *You download the exam template as a word document. You will write your answer in the word document, save it, and then upload it to QMPlus when complete.*

How much extra time exactly do we receive for submitting our essays, so we can block out this time when writing?

Questions

How much extra time exactly do we receive for submitting our essays, so we can block out this time when writing?

- *Your exam will comprise a 2-hour writing period and a 30-minute upload period. The extended upload period is designed to accommodate for QMPlus issues, like upload speed. Please note that as a result, issues with QMPlus are not typically a valid reason for an exam to be late. Please ensure to start your upload with plenty of time to complete it, factoring in that QMPlus will be slow due to the volume of simultaneous uploads.*

Questions

Are we allowed to change modules?

- *Yes, you're welcome to change modules up until the end of the second week of Semester A and B.*

Who do we contact to change modules?

- *You can request module changes via MySIS.*



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EC Policy 24/25

Please see emails from SBBS Director
of Education!



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Information about Careers

Welcome from Queen Mary Careers & Enterprise!

We are here to support you with your next steps whatever they may be. Access a range of support including:



1:1 Appointments

- CV/Application Advice (20 minutes)
- Career Guidance (20 minutes)
- Practice Interviews (40 minutes)
- Plus specialist school & international student appointments.



Events

- Career Fairs
- Employer workshops
- Sector Themed Weeks
- Masterclasses



Work Experience Programmes

- QTaster (Employer Visits)- UG only
- QMentoring (Mentoring)-UG only
- Microinternships
- Student Consultancy Project



Enterprise

- Funding opportunities
- Business advice for Entrepreneurs
- Enterprise Appointments
- Graduate Enterprise support.

Targeted support also available from the Department of Psychology Careers Consultant- Nicole Estwick (N.Estwick@qmul.ac.uk)



Find out more by visiting QM Careers Hub
(Scan QR Code) or visiting our website-www.qmul.ac.uk/careers

Follow SBBS Careers QM Plus Page for updates!





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What's new at Queen Mary?

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 2 – 3 to set up a meeting with you**

Please respond and connect with your advisor!

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

Year Tutors & DTL!



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Reach Out for Support

SBBS Student Support Team

Ms. Shaheda Batha & 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/>



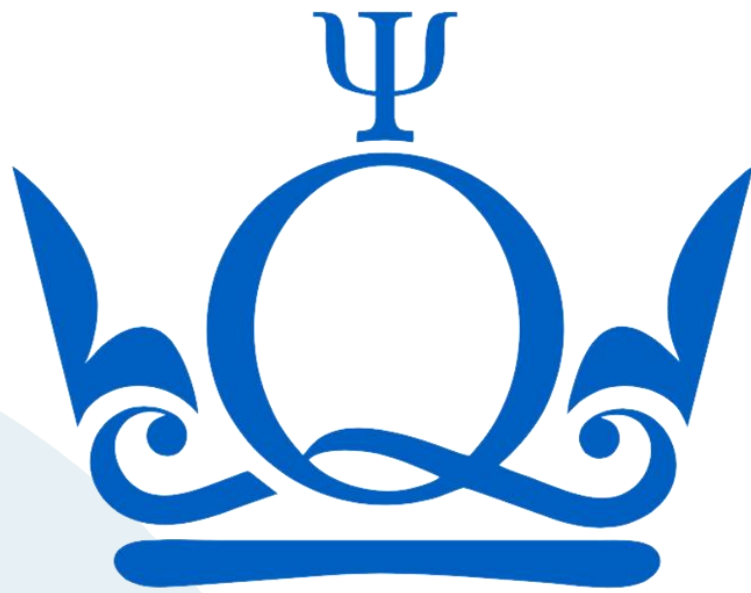
Our Psychology Community

~530 Undergraduate Students

~100 Post-Graduate Students

~35+ Academic & Research Staff





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SOCIETY

2024-2025

Your Committee



Aidan
President



Yerim
Vice-President



Andy
Treasurer



Aleksandra
Social Media
Manager



Nesh
Events Manager



Maryam
Charity Officer



Amina
Wellbeing Officer

Upcoming Events



September

- Fresher's Fair
- Icebreaker

October

- Freud Museum Trip (w/KCL)
- Halloween Pumpkin Carving

November

- Dog Therapy
- Hypnotherapy workshop (w/ BL PsychSoc)

December

- Christmas-themed Event!

Thanks for listening!



Scan the QR code for
all our links

Get Involved!

Research Seminar Series

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

Student Voice Meetings With Year Tutor Annemieke Apergis-Schoute

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: Lucie Charles)

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'. The page features expandable sections: 'Staying in touch' (with a 'Collapse all' link) and 'Programme Information'. Under 'Programme Information', there is a paragraph: 'This section contains all the important information you might need about the BSc Psychology.' Below this are four document cards: 'Academic Contacts' (with a description), 'Psychology Programme Handbook 2023-24' (486.8 KB), 'Reading list 2023/2024' (87.9 KB, with a 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

Programme Information

This section contains all the important information you might need about the BSc Psychology.

Welcome

Degemer, Ongietorri, Akwaba, Dobrodošli, Üdvözlet, Welkomma, Yokoso, Accogliere, Nau Mai, Bem-vindo, Willkommen, Toivottaa, Haere Mai, Salve, Degemer, Tervetuloa, Acchoje, Swagata, Benvenuto, Welkom, Vitejte, Bonavinuta, Huan Ying, Bi xêr hatî, Nayak, Chào mừng, Vitajte, Hosgeldiniz, Benvignùo, Fáiilte, Swagata, Benvenuto, Welkom, Velkomin, Namaste, Bienvení, Witaj, Bun venit, Aloha, Bienvenue



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