

Psychology GCSE

Summary

This course offers insights into human behaviour and dives into fascinating topics like cognitive processes, social influence and mental health - as you learn to understand yourself and how you react to the world. You will find out how to become a better communicator and discover the skills you need to resolve conflict, handle data, carry out analytical research and be part of a team.

Exams usually take place in June. Before making your application, please speak to PET or your education department to find out if your prison can hold GCSE or IGCSE exams. Alternatively, you might be able to take the exams on Release on Temporary Licence (ROTL) or after your release.

Course Provider	National Extension College (NEC) Woolpack House, 70 High Street, Sawston CB22 3HJ 01223 400200 www.nec.ac.uk
Qualification Accreditation	AQA
Academic level	Level 2
PET entry requirements	Level 2 English
Format of course material	Paper-based
Structure of course	<p>Key Topics Covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cognition and Behaviour • Memory • Perception • Development • Research Methods • Social Context and Behaviour: • Social Influence • Language, Thought, and Communication • Brain and Neuropsychology • Psychological Problems (e.g., addiction, mental health treatments).
Assignments	9 written assignments
Exam	2 invigilated, closed book exams (105 minutes each)

Study hours	150
Course expiry date	18 months
Prison support requirements	Facilitate tutor support via email. This often requires scanning learner assignments and email them to their tutor.
Supplier tutor's support	Yes - accessed with prison staff support
Certificate	On successful completion of the exam, you will receive a GCSE certificate.
Progress	There are range of possible progression options including A-Levels or an Open University Access course plus courses on Counselling and Mental Health. Call our free Advice Line on 0800 048 7520 on Tuesdays (10-12pm and 2-4pm) and Thursdays (10am-12pm and 2-6pm).