

<u>SIXTH FORM – SUBJECT INFORMATION</u>

BTEC Applied Psychology

Entry Requirements:

5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above.

Is this course for me?

Psychology is the study of the relationship between behaviour, performance and mental processes. Applied psychology is the application of this knowledge in order to understand events, treat mental health issues, improve sporting performance, and understand how children develop and how to treat criminals.

Everyone taking this qualification will study three mandatory units:

- applications of psychological approaches
- conducting psychological research
- health psychology.

You will also complete one optional unit:

- criminal and forensic psychology
- principles of children's psychological development
- psychopathology and treatment
- applied sports psychology.

Where does it lead?

The qualification carries UCAS points and is recognised by higher education providers as contributing to admission requirements to many relevant applied psychology courses. There is a wide range of possible employment opportunities following further study at degree level. This course is for students wanting to continue their education through applied learning, and who aim to progress to higher education and ultimately to employment, possibly in the applied psychology sector.

How will I be assessed?

You will be assessed through coursework and past-papers. You will sit examinations in January and June of Year 12, and in January and June of Year 13. You will produce coursework for two of the units.

If you require more information, please contact Miss Cavanagh via sarah.cavanagh@coopacademies.co.uk