

Course Name	Psychology 1B				
Course ID	006868				
Area & Cat No.	BEHL 1004				
Units	4.5	Career	UG	BUGE	Yes
School	PSY	Campus(es)	Magill	FOE	090701
Contact hours	Lectures, Practicals	Mode	Internal & External	Final Exam	Yes
Syllabus Plus	Yes				

Prerequisite(s)

Nil

Aim

To introduce students to theories and research in the areas of personality study, abnormal behaviour, social psychology and human development and, together with Psychology 1A, to provide a sufficient background for further studies in psychology.

Objectives

On completion of this course, the student should be able to:

- describe the essential features of the major theories of personality
- explain different models of abnormal behaviour
- describe the distinctive symptoms and effects of the major behaviour disorders and explain their aetiologies
- describe some processes of human development
- discuss a range of selected topics relating to interpersonal and group behaviour
- outline basic concepts in Forensic, and Clinical Psychology

By taking this course, students will progress in the development of the following qualities:

Graduate Quality	1 Body of knowledge	2 Lifelong learning	3 Effective problem solving	4 Work alone and in teams	5 Ethical action	6 Communicate effectively	7 International perspective
Indicative unit weighting	3.15	0.14	0.81	-	-	0.4	-

Syllabus

Introduction to theories of personality; methods of personality assessment; models and criteria of abnormal behaviour; classification and description of major behaviour disorders; aspects of interpersonal behaviour; social influence; social norms and attitudes; group dynamics; processes of human development; personality and individual differences; some basic principles from Forensic and Clinical Psychology.

Teaching and Learning Arrangements

This course will be delivered using the following means:

- Lectures, (26 x 1 hour) to give outline of work to be covered; to provide basic anchor concepts in the areas under study;
- Practicals (6 x 1 hour) to provide for extension of concepts; to discuss practicals applications and to continue to provide opportunities for students to prepare for and lead discussion and activity groups in class. Emphasis is placed on students following up tutorial sessions with private work conducted in the computer laboratory or in the library.

Assessment

Essay Synopsis (500 words)	15%
Essay (2000-2500 words)	45%
2-hour written unseen examination	40%

Textbook

Weiten, W. (2004). *Psychology Themes and Variations (6th ed.)*. United States: Thomson, Wadsworth.

Course Coordinator

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