

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: FOUNDATIONS OF PSYCHOLOGY
Status: Definitive
Code: **3103FNDFHE** (127649)
Version Start Date: 01-08-2021

Owning School/Faculty: Psychology
Teaching School/Faculty: Psychology

Team	Leader
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Academic Level: FHEQ3 **Credit Value:** 20 **Total Delivered Hours:** 35
Total Learning Hours: 200 **Private Study:** 165

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	22
Online	8
Tutorial	4

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Presentation	Present	Small group 2/3 students presentation	50	
Exam	Exam	Short answer exam	50	1

Aims

1. Present the development of psychology within a historical context
2. Consider psychology within the context of scientific philosophy
3. Introduce students to the major twentieth century psychologists and systems of psychology.
4. Discuss contemporary issues in terms of key historical and conceptual ideas

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

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- 2 Consider psychology within the context of scientific philosophy
- 3 Introduce students to the major twentieth century psychologists and systems of psychology.
- 4 Discuss contemporary issues in terms of key historical and conceptual ideas

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

Group presentation	1	2
Short answer exam	3	4

Outline Syllabus

Foundations of Psychology is a level three module concerned with the history of modern psychology. The goal of the module is to provide a fundamental overview of how psychology has developed as a scientific discipline over the last 120 years. A series of lectures and tutorials [plus some content delivered online] will explore this development in terms of important theories and extra-scientific factors which have shaped it such as world affairs, politics and commerce. It considers, in detail, the major twentieth-century systems of psychology including major controversies and famous case studies. Finally, it presents an overview of Psychology's place within contemporary societies, leading into the Semester 2 module Applied Psychology.

Learning Activities

This module will be delivered using a combination of lectures, online learning, and tutorials. Tutorials will support preparation and delivery of presentation assessment.

Notes

This course will provide a foundation of relevant knowledge about conceptual and historical issues in Psychology.