Psychology (Experimental) Information Sheet for entry in 2017

Psychology has been defined as the science of mental life and its scope includes a wide variety of issues. It addresses such questions as: How do we perceive colours? How do children acquire language? What predisposes two people to get on with each other? What causes schizophrenia?



Psychology at Oxford is essentially a scientific discipline, involving the rigorous formulation and testing of ideas. It works through experiments and systematic observation rather than introspection.

The Oxford Experimental Psychology Department is widely regarded as one of the leading psychology departments in the UK. The department's size and its commitment to research, as well as to excellence in teaching, means there are typically four or five research seminars each week, in addition to undergraduate lectures and classes. At present, there are particularly strong research groups in the fields of human cognitive processes, neuroscience, language, developmental psychology, social psychology and psychological disorders.

Fieldwork/international opportunities

A wide choice of research projects is available, including projects based in other departments and outside the University.

A typical weekly timetable

Terms 1 and 2					
Courses	Assessment				
Three courses are taken out of:	First University examinations:				
 Psychology 	Three written papers				
 Philosophy 					
• Linguistics					
 Neurophysiology 					
Probability theory and statistics					

Terms 3-5

Courses

Eight core courses:

- Cognitive neuroscience
- Behavioural neuroscience
- Perception
- Memory, attention and information processing
- Language and cognition
- Developmental psychology
- Social psychology
- Personality, individual differences and psychological disorders

Plus one course in:

Experimental design and statistics

Assessment

Practical portfolio

Final University examinations, Part I: Four written papers

Terms 6-9

Courses

Three advanced option courses in psychology are taken. One option can be a library dissertation. The course options change each year to reflect advances in psychology.

• Research project

A full list of current options is available on the Psychology website.

Assessment

Final University examinations, Part II: Research project report Three written papers (or two written papers and a library dissertation)

The University will seek to deliver each course in accordance with the descriptions set out above. However, there may be situations in which it is desirable or necessary for the University to make changes in course provision, either before or after registration. For further information, please see the University's Terms and Conditions.

Fees

Oxford University is committed to recruiting the best and brightest students from all backgrounds. We offer a generous package of financial support to Home/EU students from lower-income households. (UK nationals living in the UK are usually Home students.)

These annual fees are for full-time students who begin this undergraduate course here in 2017.

Fee Status	Tuition fee	College fee	Total annual fees
Home/EU	£9,250	£0	£9,250
Islands (Channel Islands & Isle of Man)	£9,250	£0	£9,250
Overseas	£18,080	£7,350	£25,430

Information about how much fees and other costs may increase is set out in the University's Terms and Conditions.

Additional Fees and Charges Information for Psychology (Experimental)

There are no compulsory costs for this course beyond the fees shown above and your living costs.

Living Costs

Your living costs will vary significantly dependent on your lifestyle. These are estimated to be between £1,002 and £1,471 per month in 2017-18. Undergraduate courses usually consist of three terms of eight weeks each, but as a guide you may wish to budget over a nine-month period to ensure you also have sufficient funds during the holidays to meet essential costs.

Living costs breakdown

	Per month		Total for 9 months	
	Lower range	Upper range	Lower range	Upper range
Food	£250	£350	£2,250	£3,150
Accommodation (including utilities)	£538	£619	£4,844	£5,569
Personal items	£115	£255	£1,035	£2,295
Social activities	£40	£119	£358	£1,073
Study costs	£38	£83	£338	£743
Other	£22	£45	£196	£407
Total	£1,002	£1,471	£9,021	£13,237

29 September 2016