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| **Programme Specification C:\Users\Ziain\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.Outlook\UFPTT539\HE Logo.jpg** | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Awarding body | | | University of Surrey | | | | | |
| 1. Teaching institution (if different) | | | University Centre Farnborough | | | | | |
| 1. Final award | | | **BSc (Hons)** | | | | | |
| 1. Programme title/route/pathway | | | **Psychology with Sociology** | | | | | |
| 1. Subsidiary award(s) and title(s) | | | Diploma of Higher Education in Psychology with Sociology  Certificate of Higher Education in Psychology with Sociology | | | | | |
| 1. FHEQ Level | | | 6 | | | | | |
| 1. Credits and ECTS credits | | | 360 UK credits, 180 ECTS credits | | | | | |
| 1. Name of Professional, Statutory or Regulatory Body (PSRB) | | | N/A | | | | | |
| 1. Date of last accreditation (if applicable) | | | Approved 2014 | | | | | |
| 1. Mode of study | | | Full-time Accelerated – 2 Years | | | | | |
| 1. Language of study | | | English | | | | | |
| 1. UCAS Code | | | CL84 | | | | | |
| 1. QAA Subject benchmark statement (if applicable) | | | Psychology (2007) and Sociology (2007) | | | | | |
| 1. Other internal and / or external reference points | | | N/A | | | | | |
| 1. Faculty | | | Faculty of Academic Studies | | | | | |
| 1. Programme Leader | | | Brian Rubin | | | | | |
| 1. Date of production/revision of the specification | | | June 2017 | | | | | |
| 1. Educational aims of the programme | | | | | | | | |
| The BSc (Hons) Psychology with Sociology aims to provide students with knowledge of the interrelated fields of human psychology and sociology, and an understanding of how human behaviour may be shaped by society and social forces. The degree will develop independent research skills and an enhanced ability in analytical and critical thinking, as well as to equip students with the necessary skills required for a career in a wide range of related professions.  The programme aims:   * To provide students with a sound knowledge and understanding of the core areas and theories in the disciplines of psychology and sociology; * To enable students to make connections between the two subject areas by developing an understanding of real life applications of theory to experience and behaviour in psychology and sociology including associated ethical issues; * To enable students to develop independent learning skills and skills for lifelong learning (including literacy, numeracy, written and oral communication and IT skills); * To stimulate students’ intellectual development and powers of critical analysis through the opportunity to undertake independent research using a range of appropriate skills, techniques and methods for investigating experience and behaviour in psychology and sociology; * To enable the practice and enhancement of interpersonal skills, group working, time management, self-awareness and self-reflection which will enable students to pursue careers in a variety of work environments; and * To provide students with the appropriate knowledge and skills for relevant employment for which the degree is considered suitable or to undertake postgraduate level study.   Intended Learning Outcomes:   * to develop knowledge and understanding in the disciplines of psychology and sociology; * to develop the cognitive skills of independent research, hypothesis testing and critically evaluating theory, research findings and applications in psychology and sociology, as well as reflecting on one’s own abilities; * to develop an awareness and understanding of ethical issues in psychology and sociology; * to develop the general transferrable skills of reading, numeracy, communication, time management, using IT and the ability to work independently and as part of a team; * to develop an awareness of the social and cultural context of psychological and sociological research; and * to provide students with the appropriate knowledge and skills for relevant employment for which the degree is considered suitable or to undertake postgraduate level study. | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Programme learning outcomes – the programme provides opportunities for students to develop and demonstrate knowledge and understanding, skills, qualities and other attributes in the following areas: | | | | | | | | |
| Knowledge and understanding   1. Knowledge and understanding of Biological Psychology, Cognitive Psychology, Developmental Psychology, Personality/Individual differences and Social Psychology 2. Knowledge, understanding, evaluation and application of the Biological, Psychological and Sociological theories and their explanations of human behaviour 3. Research skills, strategies, methods, comparative analysis and data analysis (P5.4: C7.3) 4. Knowledge and understanding of a range of key concepts and theoretical approaches within sociology. Provide an analytical account of social diversity and inequality and their effects. 5. the use of comparison in sociology. 6. the nature of social relationships between individuals, groups and social institutions. 7. the processes that underpin social change and social stability. 8. the relationship between sociological arguments and evidence in a range of contexts. 9. ways in which sociology can be distinguished from other forms of understanding. | | | | Teaching and learning strategies   * Lectures * Tutorials / Seminars * Case Studies * Individual presentations * Interviews * Group work * Role Play * Internet Research * DVDs * Podcasts * Online discussion groups * Project research and supervision * Peer Assessment * Guided Reading * Independent study * Practical experiments * Observations   Assessment   * Formal examination * Assignments * Posters * Dissertation * Skills Portfolio * Controlled and Field Experiments * Case Studies | | | | |
| Skills and other attributes - *Intellectual / cognitive skills*   1. Demonstrate reflection and effective communication. 2. Undertake a significant piece of independent research and produce a fully referenced essay in an approved academic format presenting and evaluating findings and methodology 3. Intellectual independence and an ability to marshal an argument 4. Apply analytical skills 5. Search literature to produce a fully referenced essay/assignment/dissertation in an approved academic format 6. Effective problem solving and decision making using appropriate 7. Being able to problem solve, develop a reasoned argument and make critical judgements and evaluations. | | | | Teaching and learning strategies   * Promoted through lectures, group work, field and controlled experiments, report writing, assignments and directed reading. * Seminars and workshops * Dissertation   Assessment  Assessment is achieved through a mix of formal examinations, scientific controlled experiments, field experiments, case studies, and assignments.  The overall range of assessment provides the opportunity for the student to demonstrate the ability to analyse problems and propose solutions in a clear, logical, structured and evaluative manner. | | | | |
| Skills and other attributes - *Professional practical skills*   1. Ability to gather, organize and deploy evidence, data and information, 2. Identify, summarise and apply key concepts 3. Use IT to collect, process and present data and conclusions (P5.5) | | | | Teaching and learning strategies  These skills are primarily developed by the variety of assignments set. Lectures, seminars and group work direct students to the appropriate methods and materials, and they are guided and supported via tutorials.  Assessment  Assessment is achieved through a mix of formal examinations, scientific controlled experiments, field experiments, case studies, and assignments. | | | | |
| Skills and other attributes - *Key / transferable skills*   1. Effectively communicate information, arguments and analysis in a variety of forms (including with ICT) 2. Effective self management in terms of time, planning and behaviour, motivation, self- starting 3. Work effectively individually and as part of a team 4. Use effective personal planning and project management skills 5. Develop presentation skills | | | | Teaching and Learning strategies  Promoted through lectures; seminars; report writing; group work; directed reading and independent study.  Assessment  Assessment is achieved through a mix of formal examinations, case studies, and assignments. In addition a reflective skills portfolio enables demonstration of evaluation and self-awareness, as does the final Dissertation.  The range of assignments provides the opportunity for the student to demonstrate the ability to analyse problems, evaluate solutions and reflect on practice.  Group work with peer review is an essential tool for reflection and feedback response.  Personal research and professional research study are major pieces of evidence for this. | | | | |
| 1. Programme structure – including the route / pathway / field requirements, levels modules, credits, awards and further information on the mode of study. | | | | | | | | |
| * The programme is studied over 2 academic years and is full time. * The programme is divided into modules. All taught modules are worth 15 credits, which is indicative of 150 hours of learning, comprised of student contact, private study and assessment. In order to achieve the BSc (Hons) students must complete 360 credits (120 at FHEQ Level 4, 120 at FHEQ Level 5 and 120 at FHEQ Level 6). * The Dissertation module is 45 credits. * Students that do not complete the full programme may be awarded the Certificate of Higher Education for 120 credits achieved at L4, or the Diploma of Higher Education for 120 credits achieved at L4 and 120 credits at L5. | | | | | | | | |
| Programme adjustments (if applicable) | | | | | | | | |
| N/A | | | | | | | | |
| Programme pathways and variants | | | | | | | | |
| N/A | | | | | | | | |
| **FHEQ Level 4: Potential award – Certificate of Higher Education** | | | | | | | | |
| **Module code** | **Module title** | **Core /compulsory /optional** | | | **Credit volume** | **Semester (1 / 2)** | **Award requirements** | |
| PSY4001 | Introduction to Psychology | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 | 120 credits required, with a minimum pass rate of 40% must be achieved | |
| PSY4002 | Introduction to Cognitive Psychology | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| PSY4003 | Psychological Research Methods | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| COM4001 | Academic Skills | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| SOC4001 | Introduction to Sociology | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| SOC4002 | The Sociology of Gender | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| SOC4003 | The Sociology of Inequality | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| COM4002 | Global Issues | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| **FHEQ Level 5: Potential awards – Diploma of Higher Education** | | | | | | | | |
| **Module code** | **Module title** | **Core /compulsory /optional** | | | **Credit volume** | **Semester (1 / 2)** | **Award requirements** | |
| PSY5005 | Social Psychology I | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 | 120 credits required, with a minimum pass rate of 40% must be achieved | |
| PSY5006 | Biological Psychology | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| PSY5007 | Developmental Psychology | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| PSY5008 | Research and Data Analysis | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| PSY5012 | Applied Research Methods in Psychology | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| SOC5005 | ‘Race’ and Racism in Modern Society | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| SOC5006 | Contemporary Sociological Theories | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| SOC5007 | The Sociology of Education | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| **FHEQ Level 6: Potential awards – BSc (Hons), BSc (Ordinary)** | | | | | | | | |
| **Module code** | **Module title** | **Core /compulsory /optional** | | | **Credit volume** | **Semester (1 / 2)** | **Award requirements** | |
| PSY6009 | Social Psychology II | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 | 60 credits required to achieve BSc (Ordinary), with a minimum pass rate of 40%.  120 credits required for BSc (Hons), with a minimum pass rate of 40%. | |
| PSY6010 | Individual Differences | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| PSY6011 | Cognitive Psychology | Compulsory | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| JHS6001 | Dissertation (Psy) | Compulsory | | | 45 | 1 & 2 |
| SOC6009 | The Sociology of Culture and Media | Optional | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| SOC6013 | Risk Society in a Digital Age | Optional | | | 15 | 1 & 2 |
| SOC6011 | The Sociology of Literature | Optional | | | 15 | 1 & 2 | Students must take **2 optional** modules from the 3 listed – *please note that not all optional modules may be available* | |
| 1. Opportunities for placements / work-related learning / collaborative activity – please indicate if any of the following apply to your programme | | | | | | | | |
| Data supplied by an external source for student analysis which contributes to an assessment | | | | | | | | No |
| Guest / external / associate lecturer (please detail the extent of their contribution, i.e. do they mark?) | | | | | | | | No |
| Professional Training Year (PTY) | | | | | | | | No |
| Placement, study or work placement outside of the PTY(please indicate if this is one day, one month, six months, a year etc) | | | | | | | | No |
| Clinical Placements (that are not part of the PTY Scheme) | | | | | | | | No |
| ERASMUS Study (that is not taken during Level P) | | | | | | | | No |
| Study exchanges (that are not part of the ERASMUS Scheme) | | | | | | | | No |
| Dual Degree | | | | | | | | No |
| Joint Degree | | | | | | | | No |
| Further information | | | | | | | | |
| N/A | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Criteria for admission | | | | | | | | |
| Applicants will be expected to provide satisfactory evidence of ability to successfully pursue the course of study.  (a) In the case of applicants who will not have attained 21 years of age on entry, this will normally be expected to be UCAS Tariff of 72 (under the new system).   1. Mature applicants without formal qualifications as in (a), who will be 21 years of age, or over on admission, may provide satisfactory evidence of their ability to pursue successfully an honours degree. (E.g. Access course; pass with merit in 20 credits at Level 3.) 2. Exceptional entry applications will be welcomed and will be judged on individual merits. This will usually involve an interview and may involve written tests.   **Recognition of Prior Learning**  RPL will be considered for suitable applicants, in line with University of Surrey Regulations. Consequently, the maximum number of credits that can be considered for APL is 240, with a maximum of 30 at Level 6.  Candidates should complete the necessary forms to make application (preferably prior to the start of the course, or the module, and provide documentary evidence to support their applications). Decisions to allow recognition of prior learning will be based on individual cases and academic judgement. | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Assessment regulations | | | | | | | | |
| Please click on the following link for the full Regulations (<http://www.surrey.ac.uk/quality_enhancement/regulations/index.htm>)  All programmes within the University of Surrey adhere to the Regulations. All taught programmes also reference and follow the *Code of practice for assessment and feedback*. | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Support for students and their learning | | | | | | | | |
| * Induction programme for course orientation and module introduction * Programme handbook, Reading lists * College intranet: HE section in particular * Study skills tutorials * Access to student support and learning services * Library Induction and research orientation * Extensive Library facilities, multiple copies and a range of loan services available for key texts. * Close collaboration with local employers and other professional organisations * Dedicated management team for the programme * All students are allocated personal tutors whose role it is to assist them with academic guidance and advise on pastoral problems. When necessary students are introduced to the College counselling service. * Open access to all lecturing, and administrative support staff members via e-mail. * Virtual Learning Environment * Personal Development Plan (PDP) | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Quality management – indications of quality and the methods for evaluating and improving quality | | | | | | | | |
| *Mechanisms for review of teaching and learning standards, curriculum content and assessment*   * Student programme review * Programme Board of Studies; a staff /student board to review, evaluate and recommend action for course of study * Classroom observation by School management team and external consultants * Revalidation Panels (quinquennial review) involving University and external members * External examiners report * Annual Self Assessment Report (SAR) and Quality Improvement Plan (QIP)   *Committees with responsibility for monitoring and evaluating quality and standards*   * Programme Board of Studies * Programme Board of Examiners * College Examination Board * College Quality & Standards Committee * College Internal Validation Panel * College Curriculum Development Group * College Curriculum & Student Experience Committee * College Academic Board * Validation Panels * HE Working Group   *Mechanisms for gaining student feedback on the quality of teaching and learning experience*   * Student representatives, elected for each year of the course. * Student programme review. * Programme Board of Studies. * Student questionnaires; induction and entry, programme review, destination survey; module evaluation. * College HE forum * National Student Survey * Destination of leavers in Higher Education   *Staff Development priorities*   * All staff must attain teaching qualification. * College staff development courses. * Courses, seminars to update specific knowledge; continual professional development, as supported by college policies and the IfL * Staff will also benefit from the staff development opportunities provided for the University of Surrey teaching staff | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Further information | | | | | | | | |
| Further information can be found within the programme handbook, which is provided on entry to the programme.  The *Regulations* and *Codes of practice* for taught programmes can be found at <http://www.surrey.ac.uk/quality_enhancement/regulations/index.htm> <http://www.surrey.ac.uk/quality_enhancement/standards/index.htm> | | | | | | | | |