Psychology Y4 Honours 2014-2015

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Hons Teaching Coordinator: Marieke Gartner
Course secretary: Fiona Graham

For your diary: Three forthcoming events

Special event for Psychology Honours Students
5-6 pm, Wednesday 17 September
ANATOMY LECTURE THEATRE
Teviot Doorway 3, Medical School

Careers Talk
Dr Janet Forsyth from the University Careers Service will be giving a Careers Talk on Wednesday 17 September at 1.00pm in Appleton Tower, Lecture Theatre 3

Y4 Feedback Event
Tuesday 7th October
Collect papers from B21

Course structure (Single Honours)

- Six option courses + General paper (10 credits each)
  - Some options assessed by exam in May
  - Some options assessed by essay
- Assessed Tutorial Course (10 credits)
  (CO: Marieke Gartner)
  - Small group teaching in blocks 2 and 3
  - Assessment through a 1000 word essay OR PowerPoint presentation OR poster at end of each semester (feedback will be available)
- Dissertation (40 credits)
Joint Honours

- **Up to 4 option courses**, which may include the tutorial course
- Joint honours students do not take the general paper
- Joint honours students usually take the dissertation in psychology which is needed for BPS accreditation
- For BPS accreditation, cover courses across years 3 & 4 from the 5 BPS core areas: Biological, cognitive, developmental, individual differences, social plus Methodology 1 & 2

Junior Year Abroad Students

- If you are interested in BPS accreditation, you must take courses in the 5 core areas across your JYA and year 4: (Biological, cognitive, developmental, individual differences, social, plus Methodology 1 & 2)
- If you did not take a stats course (equivalent to Methodology 1) in your overseas institution, you should register for Methodology 1 this year
- If you did not cover the topic areas in Methodology 2 (particularly qualitative methods), you should register for Methodology 2 this year
- For further details, contact Billy Lee

Intercalated Medical students

- Five options from Psychology 4
- Three options from Psychology 3
  (including Methodology 1)
- Dissertation

Dissertations

- Students usually work in pairs
- Suggested project descriptions are available on the Psychology website – for sign-up see Learn link in MyEd for spaces
- Feel free to approach relevant members of staff and to suggest your own ideas
- Deadline for choosing project is 4pm Thursday 2 October
- Dissertation hand in, Wednesday 11 March 2015

Dissertation poster day

- Make a poster presentation of your project plans, and receive staff feedback and give/receive peer feedback (unassessed)
- Co-ordinator Marieke Gartner
- Talk on poster preparation: Thursday 2 Oct 1-2pm
- Drop-in sessions with PhD student: tba
- Deadline for posters to printers (tbc): Thursday 13 November
- Poster day: Wednesday 26 November

SSLC

- Psychology staff-student liaison committee needs student reps
- Likely 1 meeting/semester
- Collect student comments, feed back to staff and vice versa
- 3 people needed
- Contact SSO mhari.davidson@ed.ac.uk by end of week 1
What you have to do now

• Finalise options and check timetable
  – Requests for option changes to the course secretary, Fiona Graham fgraham@ed.ac.uk

• Finalise your choice of dissertation project
  – External supervisor? Contact Y4 CO
  – Dissertation title in Psychology Hons drop box in DSB by Thursday 2 October