Psychology Y4 Honours 2013-14

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Course structure

- Six option courses + General paper (10 credits each)
  - Some options assessed by exam in May
  - Some assessed by (e.g.) essay
- Assessed Tutorial Course (10 credits)
  - Small group teaching in blocks 2 and 3
  - Assessment for each block
- Dissertation (40 credits)

Joint Honours

- You will do up to 4 option courses, which may include the tutorial course (but doesn’t have to)
- Joint honours students don’t do general paper.
- Joint honours students usually choose to do dissertation in psychology (needed for BPS accreditation)
- For BPS accreditation, need to make sure that your courses across years 3 and 4 cover the 5 BPS core areas:
  - Social, developmental, cognitive, differential, biological; also Methodology 1 and 2

Tutorial course

- Small group teaching. Critical thinking, cross-course integration, discussion, creativity.
  - In blocks 2 and 3 with different tutors
  - Sign-up system tba at start of term
  - CO: tbc
- Assessment for each block
  - 1000 word written assessment OR oral + slide presentation, OR a poster
  - Announced at time of sign-up.
  - Feedback will be available

Dissertations

- Students usually work in pairs
- Suggested project descriptions will soon be available online
  http://www.psy.ed.ac.uk/psy_students/undergraduate/index.php
- Feel free to approach the relevant member of staff.
- Deadline for choosing project is week 3 of semester 1 next year
- Dissertation handed in around mid March 2013
- Poster session for dissertations to be held in early December (an opportunity for feedback on design from Psychology staff)

What you have to do now

- Fill in your course choice form online at url to be announced later. Deadline Friday 7 June
- Any queries to Fiona Graham: f.graham@ed.ac.uk
- Brief course descriptions will be available
- Fuller descriptions shortly via drps online:
  http://www.drps.ed.ac.uk
- Rank your preference for courses in each block. We will do our best to allocate you to at least one of your first two choices
Contact information

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