

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Lifespan Development
2	Module Credits	20
3	Module Level	7
4	Module Code	PSY7061

5	Module Overview
This module aims to investigate human development throughout the lifespan focusing on changes to biological, cognitive, social and emotional elements of psychological functioning. The module will provide you with an understanding of the general principles and concepts, different theoretical perspectives, research methodologies, contemporary debates and areas of application of Lifespan Development. This module will enable you to develop skills in critical reading and analysis of theoretical and empirical issues related to Lifespan Development. In the context of contemporary societies and globalisation, the role of social and cultural context of development is explored.	
Through engagement with the module and the coursework you think about Lifespan Development from a theoretical perspective, and more importantly from an applied perspective as well. You will be encouraged to consider how your knowledge gained from the lectures, pre and post-session activities and the learning material has informed real life events.	
You will be encouraged to engage in enquiry based learning, exploring areas of knowledge at a pace that suits you. Through exploring the range of resources and activities available to you, we will guide you through the journey into research methods, ensuring you are using each new piece of information as a building block for the next.	
You will be engaged in a vibrant on-line learning community which will encourage discussions, dialogues, peer conversations alongside learning and teaching activities which will further contribute to exploring different learning and cultural perspectives.	

6	Indicative Content
You will be presented with different theoretical perspectives in Lifespan Development. You will be given the opportunity to explore different aspects of development, such as cognitive, emotional, linguistic and personality development. During this module, you will be studying different developmental phenomena and changes that occur across the lifespan and the different developmental determinants as well as the various research methodologies used in Lifespan Development.	

7	Module Learning Outcomes	
On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:		
	1	Demonstrate a comprehensive knowledge and critical appraisal of the theory, concepts, and principles across the area of Lifespan Development.
	2	Demonstrate a critical evaluation of the different research methods within Lifespan Development with an ability to create argued conclusions.
	3	Autonomously apply key studies and findings from the area of Lifespan Development to psychological phenomena and functioning at a professional or equivalent level.
	4	Design, plan, actualise and communicate the intellectual product and reflect on the independent learning experience.

8	Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome			
	Coursework	Exam	In-Person
1-4	X		

9	Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities	
Learning Activities		Hours
Scheduled Learning (SL) includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable		5
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE		70
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams		125
Total Study Hours:	200	