

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Real World Work Experiences
2	Module Credits	20
3	Module Level	5
4	Module Code	PSY5056

5	Module Overview
<p>At this level of study you will be encouraged to think about areas of study or work that you would like to pursue upon completion of this course. You will be firstly introduced to the different areas of psychology that you can specialise in. This will involve looking at the roles that psychologists perform within each of the branch areas as well as what is entailed to become specialised and chartered within each particular branch. Workshops will be carried out within the following which will be supported by psychologists both within and external to the university. The following are examples of the areas that will be looked at:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Criminal and Forensic Psychology 2. Health Psychology 3. Counselling Psychology 4. Clinical Psychology 5. Occupational Psychology <p>You will also be exposed to areas of work that do not necessarily require chartered status (particularly non-psychology jobs). Some examples being:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Human Resources 2. Graduate Schemes 3. Psychology Assistant 4. Researcher 5. MI5/MI6 6. Police Force 7. Conversion courses (retraining) <p>This module will then further encourage you to think about development needs that arise as a result of your chosen field that you would like to pursue after graduation. This will be encouraged with PDP skills such as identifying a development need(s) that have arisen as a result of the field that you may like to pursue after graduation. Topic areas that will be looked at are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Psychology and reflexivity 2. Appropriate C.V. writing and covering letters with the use of current job specifications. 3. Contacting organisations (including liaising with the Careers Centre and Graduate+) 4. Accessing appropriate literature in relation to identified needs which are linked to careers 5. Interview/presentation preparation - verbal and non-verbal communication 	

There are many areas of eventual work that a psychology graduate can pursue after the completion of their degree. All of the chartered areas outlined by the British Psychological Society require graduates to undertake further studies and competencies within work experience. Accordingly, for those students who wish to work within an area that does not require chartered status will still need appropriate competencies outlined as well as other courses that a graduate can pursue so that they are suitable candidates for their chosen field that they would eventually like to work within. This module will provide an opportunity for you to gain an insight into the different areas that graduate psychologists can specialise and work within whilst at the same time keeping the graduates' working C.Vs up to date and appropriate for their chosen fields.

6	Indicative Content
<p>The module's content will be partially determined by student career goals and placement interests, e.g., chartered psychology professions, non-chartered professions. The module will also cover skills, such as: Workplace Psychology, CV, cover letters, Job interviews, presentations and Reflection Students will also be encouraged to engage and participate in Graduate+.</p>	

7	Module Learning Outcomes	
On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:		
	1	Demonstrate an understanding of the different employment and/or further development opportunities that psychology graduates can pursue.
	2	Identify and evidence the skills and qualifications necessary for their chosen career.
	3	Demonstrate competency in the job application process, portraying alignment of personal skill with job specification.

8	Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome			
	Coursework	Exam	In-Person
1, 2, 3	X		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	24	
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE	56	
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams	120	
Total Study Hours:	200	