

Experimental Psychology



St Anne's College
University of Oxford



What you'll study

Psychology has been defined as the science of mental life and its scope includes a wide variety of issues. It addresses such questions as: How do we perceive colours? How do children acquire language? What causes schizophrenia? Psychology at Oxford is a scientific discipline within the medical sciences division. It involves the rigorous formulation and testing of ideas. It works through experiments and systematic observation rather than introspection.

As a Visiting Student, you would be studying some of the core courses of the degree, as well as broader introductions to related sciences in Neurophysiology. The core program consists of:

- Cognitive neuroscience
- Behavioural neuroscience
- Perception
- Memory, attention and information processing
- Language and cognition
- Developmental psychology
- Social psychology
- Personality, individual differences and psychological disorders

Note that lectures for these courses are given only once in the full academic year, which may limit your choice if you are coming for only one or two terms.

Why study Psychology at St Anne's?

Psychology at Oxford ranked first place across UK Institutions in the overall quality of research (REF2014), and had the highest proportion world-leading research. Students studying at St Anne's are encouraged to critically engage with primary research literature in typical Oxford tutorials and hone their analytical and scientific writing skills. St Anne's college tutors Professor Watkins and Dr Demeyere are both senior staff at the Department of Experimental Psychology with active research labs.

How you'll be taught

- **Lectures** Typically 6 per week.
- **Tutorials** Typically 8-12 per term.

You can take this course for

The Full Academic Year	Yes
Hilary and Trinity terms only (January – June)	Yes
Michaelmas term only (October – December)	Yes

You could combine this subject with

Philosophy, Linguistics or English

Additional information:

The department of Experimental Psychology is committed to world-leading research, and there are typically four or five research seminars each week, which students can attend in addition to undergraduate lectures and classes. At present, there are particularly strong research groups in the fields of human cognitive processes, neuropsychology, behavioural and cognitive neuroscience, language, developmental psychology, social psychology and psychological disorders. Visiting students with an interest in research have previously found many possibilities of gaining valuable volunteering research experience in some of these.

For further information on this subject, please see our website:

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