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## [175.101 \(/massey/learning/programme-course/course.cfm?course\\_code=175101\)](/massey/learning/programme-course/course.cfm?course_code=175101) Psychology as a Social Science (15 credits)

An introduction to psychology as the scientific study of human behaviour, with emphasis on individual differences and social influences. The course aims to develop an awareness of the issues, terminology, methods and techniques involved in the study of human behaviour.

### Details [\(/massey/learning/programme-course/help/course-terminology.cfm\)](/massey/learning/programme-course/help/course-terminology.cfm)

- **Year:** 2021
- **Mode:** Distance
- **Semester:** Semester Two full semester
- **Location:** N/A
- **Coordinator:** [Dr Kathryn McGuigan \(mailto:K.Mcguigan@massey.ac.nz\)](mailto:K.Mcguigan@massey.ac.nz)
- **Subject:** Psychology
- **College:** College of Humanities and Social Sciences

### Online component [\(/massey/learning/programme-course/help/course-terminology.cfm#onlineComponent\)](/massey/learning/programme-course/help/course-terminology.cfm#onlineComponent)

- **Online component:** Partially Taught Online - As *part* of the course is taught online, Broadband access is required. In addition to accessing the Course Guide, students will be required to access core and supplementary digital study resources, contribute to discussion fora and complete online activities and assessment tasks. [Learn more about Stream, our online learning environment. \(https://www.massey.ac.nz/massey/learning/online-learning/guide/guide\\_home.cfm\)](https://www.massey.ac.nz/massey/learning/online-learning/guide/guide_home.cfm)

### Dates

- **Start Date:** Monday 12 July, 2021
- **End date:** Sunday 14 November, 2021

### Withdrawal dates [\(/massey/admission/enrolment/change\\_withdraw\\_study.cfm\)](/massey/admission/enrolment/change_withdraw_study.cfm)

The last day to withdraw from this course:

- **Without financial penalty:** Saturday 24 July, 2021
- **Without academic penalty:** Tuesday 12 October, 2021

## Contact workshops

There is no contact workshop for this course

## Fees

### Course fees for 2021

- **Domestic Students:** NZD \$871.98 \*
- **International Students** NZD \$4,221.25 \*

\* This fee information is for estimation purposes only and includes New Zealand Goods and Services Tax. Actual fees payable will be finalised on confirmation of enrolment. The estimate does not include non-tuition fees. To view an estimate showing both tuition and non-tuition fees use the [Fees Calculator \(/massey/admission/fees/\)](/massey/admission/fees/). **These fees only apply to 2021 enrolments.** Domestic students may be eligible for [free fees in their first year \(https://www.feesfree.govt.nz/\)](https://www.feesfree.govt.nz/).

## Learning outcomes [\(/massey/learning/programme-course/help/course-terminology.cfm#learning\)](/massey/learning/programme-course/help/course-terminology.cfm#learning)

Students who successfully complete this course should be able to:

1. Think critically about human behaviour from a psychological perspective.
2. Understand methods and techniques that psychologists use to study individual and social behaviour.
3. Be familiar with important psychological research regarding individual differences and social influences on behaviour.
4. See how psychology may provide valuable perspectives on real-world issues affecting the individual and society.

**Please note:** Learning Outcomes are subject to change until the beginning of the semester in which the course is delivered.

## Assessments [\(/massey/learning/programme-course/help/course-terminology.cfm#assessments\)](/massey/learning/programme-course/help/course-terminology.cfm#assessments)

During this course, the following assessments will contribute to your final mark.

Assessment	Learning outcomes assessed	Weighting
1 Written Assignment	2, 3	10.0%
2 Test	1, 2, 3	20.0%
3 Written Assignment	1, 3, 4	30.0%
4 Exam College/GRS-based (not centrally scheduled)	1, 2, 3, 4	40.0%

**Please note:** Assessment weightings are subject to change until the beginning of the semester in which the course is delivered.

\* Specific dates for assessments will be finalised in information provided on Stream at the start of the Course.

## Textbooks

It is recommended that textbooks are purchased no sooner than 7 weeks prior to the semester start date as textbooks can be subject to change.

### Compulsory

- **175101 Psychology As A Social Science (Free On-Line Textbook)**

Author: Kathryn McGuigan

ISBN: XXXX3

Edition: 2 [Http://noba.To/42rchwgy](http://noba.To/42rchwgy)

Publisher: NOBA PSYCHOLOGY

### Highly Recommended

- **175101 Psychology As A Social Science (Free On-Line Textbook)**

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## Class timetable

There is no timetable information available for this offering.

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