

Course details

Course title

History: An Introduction to Social and Behavioural Psychology.

Course code

Q00015252

Course date

Start: 20/07/24

End: 20/07/24

Number of classes

1 sessions

Timetable

Sat 20th Jul, 10:00 to 16:00

Branch

Norwich Branch

Tutor

Kerry Heathcote

Fee range

Free to £30.00

How you'll learn

You'll join a small group of fellow learners for classes at the venue indicated. Some materials may be provided in our virtual learning environment.

Got it!

In venue

Venue

Norwich Millennium Library (Norwich)
Millennium Library
The Forum, Millennium Plain
Norwich
NR2 1AW

Qualification name & awarding organisation

History: An Introduction to Social and Behavioural Psychology. ()

Level of study

Advanced

Course overview

Theories of social psychology are used to explain how humans, largely considered to be social beings, are affected by social interactions, social deprivation, or changes to their usual societal roles and norms. What happens when our beliefs and values are challenged? What is the impact on our behaviour when we are given power over others, or we are rendered seemingly powerless in a specific situation? Social psychology originated in the late nineteenth century (Goethals, 2007), with ground-breaking experimentation taking place throughout the twentieth century, aimed at informing our understanding of human behaviour. We will explore the work of ten psychologists and their most notable social experiments. This course assumes no prior knowledge.

Course description

"The main aim of this course is to introduce social psychology, providing opportunities to view and discuss ten experiments that have informed and developed our understanding of the influence social situations can have on our thoughts, feelings, and behaviours.

Intended learning outcomes are focused on discussions regarding human behaviours in the context of different social situations. How does stereotyping in social situations and human interactions affect the way people are positively or negatively perceived and treated, for example? Predictions about potential thoughts, feelings and actions will be made across several scenario-based activities. Theories of conformity and obedience to authority will be explored and discussed in their historical contexts.

The main objective of the course is to inform a concluding discussion, focused on social psychology, behavioural theories, and experimental research findings, in the context of twenty-first century Britain. What has changed since each of the ten experiments was conducted for the first time? Do we believe the behaviours and attitudes would be different if these were conducted today? What ethical issues prevent many of the experiments from ever being repeated?

Key concepts to be explored include social identity theory, learned helplessness theory, social learning theory, social exchange theory, self-perception theory, labelling theory."

What financial support is available?

We don't want anything to stand in your way when it comes to bringing Adult learning within reach so if you need anything to support you to achieve your goals then speak to one of our education experts during your enrolment journey. Most of our courses are government funded but if you don't qualify or need alternative financial help to access them then let us know.

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