

Psychology, Philosophy and Linguistics Information Sheet for entry in 2017



There are close connections between these three subjects, so studying a combination of them makes a lot of sense. Psychology includes subjects as diverse as social interaction, learning, child development, schizophrenia and information processing. Philosophy is concerned with a wide range of questions including ethics, knowledge and the nature of mind. Linguistics is the study of language in all its aspects, including the structure of languages, meaning (semantics), how children learn language, pronunciation, and how people understand, mentally represent and generate language.

Psychology at Oxford is essentially a scientific discipline, involving the rigorous formulation and testing of ideas. It works through experiments and systematic observation rather than introspection. The Oxford Experimental Psychology Department is widely regarded as one of the leading psychology departments in the UK. At present, there are particularly strong groups in the fields of human cognitive processes, neuroscience, language, developmental and social psychology.

The Oxford Philosophy Faculty is the largest philosophy department in the UK, and one of the largest in the world. Philosophy at Oxford has active interests in the philosophy of mind and the philosophy of science, and has very close links with those working in neuroscience and psychology.

The Faculty of Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics brings together scholars working in theoretical and descriptive linguistics (especially syntax, semantics and phonology), experimental phonetics, psycholinguistics, linguistics of the Romance languages, historical linguistics and comparative philology. Unlike other subjects in the humanities, it includes two scientific research laboratories – the Language and Brain Laboratory and the Phonetics Laboratory.

Work placements/international opportunities

A wide choice of third-year research projects is available, including research projects based in other departments and outside the University.

A typical weekly timetable

Terms 1 and 2	
Courses	Assessment
Three courses are taken from: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Psychology• Philosophy• Linguistics	First University examinations: Three written papers

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neurophysiology • Probability theory and statistics* <p><i>*Students studying Psychology must sit the examination in Probability theory and statistics either at Prelims (first University examinations) or as a qualifying examination.</i></p>	
Terms 3–9	
<p>Courses</p> <p>After the second term, students can continue to follow a bipartite degree (Psychology and Philosophy, Psychology and Linguistics, or Philosophy and Linguistics) or, exceptionally and subject to their college’s approval, a tripartite degree (Psychology, Philosophy and Linguistics).</p> <p>Students choosing Psychology take four of the eight courses in Experimental Psychology in terms 3–5, plus a course in Experimental design and statistics, followed by one, two or three advanced options in Psychology in terms 6–8.</p> <p><i>A full list of current options is available on the Psychology website.</i></p> <p>Students choosing Philosophy take from three to five courses in Philosophy, from a wide range including Philosophy of mind and Philosophy of cognitive science. For details see www.philosophy.ox.ac.uk/undergraduate.</p> <p>Students choosing Linguistics take from three to five courses in Linguistics. For further details, see the Paper A and Paper B options at www.ling-phil.ox.ac.uk/undergrads#fhs.</p> <p>Students opting for a bipartite degree may take a single paper in the third subject. Students who are exceptionally permitted to take the tripartite degree must take at least two courses in each of the three subjects of Psychology, Philosophy and Linguistics.</p>	<p>Assessment</p> <p>Final University examinations: Eight papers; practical portfolio (for Psychology); a research project or thesis may also be taken (depending upon the combination of courses)</p> <p>Students choosing Psychology take the equivalent of two written papers in Psychology in the second year based on the core courses (see the Course Information Sheet for Experimental Psychology).</p>

The University will seek to deliver each course in accordance with the descriptions set out above. However, there may be situations in which it is desirable or necessary for the University to make

changes in course provision, either before or after registration. For further information, please see the University's Terms and Conditions.

Fees

Oxford University is committed to recruiting the best and brightest students from all backgrounds. We offer a generous package of financial support to Home/EU students from lower-income households. (UK nationals living in the UK are usually Home students.)

These annual fees are for full-time students who begin this undergraduate course here in 2017.

Fee Status	Tuition fee	College fee	Total annual fees
Home/EU	£9,250	£0	£9,250
Islands (Channel Islands & Isle of Man)	£9,250	£0	£9,250
Overseas	£18,080	£7,350	£25,430

Information about how much fees and other costs may increase is set out in the University's Terms and Conditions.

Additional Fees and Charges Information for Psychology, Philosophy and Linguistics

There are no compulsory costs for this course beyond the fees shown above and your living costs.

Living Costs

Your living costs will vary significantly dependent on your lifestyle. These are estimated to be between £1,002 and £1,471 per month in 2017-18. Undergraduate courses usually consist of three terms of eight weeks each, but as a guide you may wish to budget over a nine-month period to ensure you also have sufficient funds during the holidays to meet essential costs.

Living costs breakdown

	Per month		Total for 9 months	
	Lower range	Upper range	Lower range	Upper range
Food	£250	£350	£2,250	£3,150
Accommodation (including utilities)	£538	£619	£4,844	£5,569
Personal items	£115	£255	£1,035	£2,295
Social activities	£40	£119	£358	£1,073
Study costs	£38	£83	£338	£743
Other	£22	£45	£196	£407
Total	£1,002	£1,471	£9,021	£13,237

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