

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

Master of Social Sciences in the field of Psychology
Programme Learning Outcomes

Upon completing this programme, students will be able to:

- 1) Understand major theories and empirical studies in core areas of psychology;
- 2) Know how to use fundamental knowledge of research in psychology to analyze and evaluate human behaviour in everyday life;
- 3) Demonstrate a critical awareness and capacity to evaluate specific research approaches and methods of data collection and analysis in psychological research;
- 4) Master the research methods and instruments for conducting psychological research independently and ethically;
- 5) Demonstrate the ability to write up a research report in academic English detailing the specifics of a research project.

Our programme learning outcomes are consistent with the University Educational Aims

University Educational Aims for TPg Curricula		Programme Level Outcomes
To enable our students to develop their capabilities in:		On successful completion of the programme, students should be able to:
i)	Critical intellectual enquiry and acquiring up-to-date knowledge and research skills in a discipline / profession	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Understand major theories and empirical studies in core areas of psychology;2) Know how to use fundamental knowledge of research in psychology to analyze and evaluate human behaviour in everyday life;3) Demonstrate a critical awareness and capacity to evaluate specific research approaches and methods of data collection and analysis in psychological research;4) Master the research methods and instruments for conducting psychological research independently and ethically;5) Demonstrate the ability to write up a research report in academic English detailing the specifics of a research project.

ii)	Application of knowledge and research skills to practice or theoretical exploration, demonstrating originality and creativity	1) Understand major theories and empirical studies in core areas of psychology; 2) Know how to use fundamental knowledge of research in psychology to analyze and evaluate human behaviour in everyday life; 3) Demonstrate a critical awareness and capacity to evaluate specific research approaches and methods of data collection and analysis in psychological research; 4) Master the research methods and instruments for conducting psychological research independently and ethically;
iii)	Tackling novel situations and ill-defined problems	2) Know how to use fundamental knowledge of research in psychology to analyze and evaluate human behaviour in everyday life; 3) Demonstrate a critical awareness and capacity to evaluate specific research approaches and methods of data collection and analysis in psychological research; 4) Master the research methods and instruments for conducting psychological research independently and ethically;
iv)	Collaboration and communication of disciplinary knowledge to specialists and the general public	3) Demonstrate a critical awareness and capacity to evaluate specific research approaches and methods of data collection and analysis in psychological research; 4) Master the research methods and instruments for conducting psychological research independently and ethically; 5) Demonstrate the ability to write up a research report in academic English detailing the specifics of a research project.
v)	Awareness of and adherence to personal and professional ethics	4) Master the research methods and instruments for conducting psychological research independently and ethically; 5) Demonstrate the ability to write up a research report in academic English detailing the specifics of a research project.