



Psychology

Meet Your Lecturer/Professor

You should already be aware that you have joined a highly successful psychology department at a Russell group university, home to world-class researchers. You will have already had lectures and tutorials from Psychology academics who teach on first year modules. Throughout your degree, lectures will be given to you by many of the members of staff at Exeter, some you may have not yet met. This exercise provides you with a fantastic opportunity to talk to psychology lecturers face-to-face, about their research.

The department boasts a broad range of research areas, animal behaviour, clinical, cognitive and social and organisational. Academics present their research findings at a wide range of national and international conferences. This provides the opportunity to discuss work with colleagues at other institutions and to build up new research contacts, furthering the output of the department. Much of the research produced by psychologists at Exeter is internationally recognised, with research articles being published in high impact journals.

As a group of around 5 students, you will be assigned a member of academic staff within the department and an allocated time slot. **You will interview the member of staff for 20-30 minutes** and find out about their research using the questions below. This exercise will require skills including (and not limited to) team work, communication, organisation, note taking and writing. Through conducting the student-staff interview you will develop understanding of what it is like to conduct internationally recognised research and the time demands on your lecturers, other than teaching. You will then produce a report (300 words max.) about the research and the academic you have interviewed. **You will hand this in via BART at the end of week-7 (Friday 8 November 3.00pm).**

How did you get into psychology?

What do you think makes a good psychology researcher?

What are you researching at the moment?

Tell us something interesting that people might be interested to know about you?