

APT Psychology Conference.

APT is organising the **Eighteenth Psychology conference** on Wednesday **15th April, 2015** starting at **10am** in the **LG115, Lecture theatre** [this room is located to the right when one enters the main entrance of the David Kier Building from the Stranmillis Rd. It is a new, larger venue and is close to the lecture theatre we usually use].

Conference format - LG115, Lecture theatre, David Kier Building, QUB

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| 10-10.05am | Conference opening with introductions - Chris Gibbons, APT | |
| 10.05-10.55am | Early Social Development - This talk will look at definitions of attachment, signs of attachment and will outline and review important theories and research in this area. There will be some reference to attachment in everyday life & a look at past questions <i>Syllabus - Unit 1, AS Psychology AQA Spec A</i> | Speaker Julia Willerton AQA Principal Examiner |
| 11-11.55am | Biological psychology - stress and stress in everyday life - This session will explore the physical response of stress on the body & the kinds of illnesses it can lead to. We will explore the role of psychological factors in managing stress and the role of external stressors. These pointers will be linked to past questions <i>Syllabus - Unit2 AS Psychology AQA Spec A</i> | Speaker Chris Gibbons APT Past AQA Examiner |
| 12-12.55pm | Individual differences - Abnormality. This session will outline the different ways abnormality has been defined along with some of the limitations in these definitions. What is meant by abnormality will be considered from biological and psychological perspectives and key pointers will be raised that link to past questions in this area <i>Syllabus links – Unit 2 AS Psychology AQA Spec AS</i> | Speaker Julia Willerton |
| 1.-1.30pm | Teacher Seminar Julia Willerton will take questions on the syllabus and offer key advice to teachers on the AS exams. | |

Seminars will take place in the afternoon and students should be seated in one of the two venues – the main lecture theatre, or Seminar room A, by 1.55pm. The speakers will rotate between the two venues. These are the venues used in previous years.

Seminar topics: Chris on Research Methods; Julia - on dealing with your AS psychology exams. The seminars and at the end of Julia's final talk there will be an opportunity to ask questions.

| Venue: | Lecture theatre (LG115) | Seminar Room A (LG025) |
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| Speaker | | |
| Julia Willerton | 2-2.30pm | 2.35-2.55pm |
| Chris Gibbons | 2.35-2.55pm | 2-2.30pm |

Final Talk (Lecture theatre, LG115)

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| 3-3.45pm | Julia's final talk will look at memory in everyday life. As well as considering some of the evidence and factors linked to Eye Witness Testimony, Julia will offer some revision tips both in general and specific to the AS psychology exams. <i>Syllabus – Unit 1 - Memory, AS Psychology, Spec A</i> | Speaker Julia Willerton |
| 3.45pm | Final comments and conference feedback. | |

All sessions, as well as the seminars, will involve some interactive and student-centred element.

Tickets cost £11 per student. For teachers there is no charge and refreshments and a lunch are provided for teachers. Book by emailing c.gibbons@qub.ac.uk