

Module Title:	Abnormal Psychology	
Language of Instruction:	English	
Credits:	10	
NFQ Level:	7	
Module Delivered In	<a href="#">1 programme(s)</a>	
Teaching & Learning Strategies:	The learning outcomes detailed above will be achieved through the following teaching methodologies: 1. Lectures - interactive communication of knowledge and ideas from the lecturer to the student, using Powerpoint presentations and e-learning resources, with ongoing questions and discussion encouraged. 2. Tutorials: smaller group learning with more time for individual and small group attention and feedback. 3. Active & collaborative learning in both lectures and tutorials, with class and group discussion: students will be encouraged to actively participate, to reflect on cases from their work experience in the context of new lecture material. They will be encouraged to share queries, ethical dilemmas and learning, with due respect to confidentiality for all involved. This will enable them to make the theory-practice link under the guidance of the lecturer/ tutor. This will also develop their analytical, reflective and communication skills. 4. Case Studies - students will reflect on, discuss and evaluate clinical scenarios related to lecture content. 5. Group work & class discussion: students will work together in small groups.6.. E-Learning — It is envisaged that the module will be supported with on-line learning materials including discussion boards. 7. Self-Directed Independent Learning through reading of books, peer-reviewed journal articles, policy documents, governmental publications and international best practice guidelines. D1: P 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 17, 19, 22, 23. D2: P 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17. D3: P 1,2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15. D4: P 3, 4, 5. D 5: P 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 19.	
Module Aim:	The aim of this module is to develop students' understanding of abnormal psychology.	
Learning Outcomes		
On successful completion of this module the learner should be able to:		
LO1	Apply a social construction perspective to learning disability and mental health (D1: P1,3,5,6,8,23; D2: P1,2,3,4,9,10,12,13,14,17; D3: P1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9,15; D4: P4; D5: P1,2,3,4,6,8,11,15)	
LO2	Discuss the prevalence, etiology and clinical presentations of a range of psychological and developmental disorders and describe a range of therapeutic interventions using an evidence-based best-practice framework. (D1: P1,2,3,5,6,8,9,17,19,23; D2: P1,2,3,4,9,10,12,13,14,17; D3: P1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,15; D4: P4; D5: P1,2,3,4,6,8,10,11,12,13,15)	
LO3	Describe the incidence, causes and societal response to suicide from a psychological perspective.(D1: P1,2,3,5,6,8,9,17,19,23; D2: P1,2,3,4,9,10,12,13,14,17; D3: P1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,14,15; D4: P4; D5: P1,2,3,4,6,8,10,11,12,13,15)	
LO4	Discuss current best-practice in the assessment and management of challenging behaviour and demonstrate ability to apply these skills in the context of a Social Care Team. (D1: P1,2,3,5,6,8,9,13,17,19,23; D2: P1,2,3,4,9,10,12,13,14,15,17; D3: P1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,14, 15; D4: P4; D5: P1,2,3,4,6,8,10,11,12,13,15,19)	
LO5	Reflect on teamwork and professional skills development through collaborative learning.(D1: P1,2,3,5,6,8,9,10,11,17,19,22,23; D2: P1,2,3,4,9,10,12,13,14,16,17; D3: P1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,14,15; D4: P4; D5: P1,2,3,4,6,8,10,11,12,13,15,19)	
Pre-requisite learning		
Module Recommendations This is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is recommended before enrolment in this module.		
8101	PSYC H2405	Cognitive & Social Psychology
Incompatible Modules These are modules which have learning outcomes that are too similar to the learning outcomes of this module.		
No incompatible modules listed		
Co-requisite Modules		
No Co-requisite modules listed		
Requirements This is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is mandatory before enrolment in this module is allowed.		
No requirements listed		

## Module Content & Assessment

### Indicative Content

#### Introduction

• What is mental health • Theoretical models (D1: P3,5,6,8,9,19,23; D2: P1,2,3,4,12; D5: P1,2,3,4,6,15)

#### Learning disability and mental health: social construction

• Definitions • Social construction of learning disability/mental health • Biopsychosocial model • Empowerment (D1: P3,5,6,8,9,13,19,23; D2: P1,2,3,4,12; D3: P4,9; D5: P1,2,3,4,6,15)

#### Psychological Disorders

• Incidence, etiology and clinical presentations of the following: • Depression, Anxiety disorders, Mood disorders, • Schizophrenia Dissociative disorders, Personality Disorders, • Addictions, Trauma-related disorders, Eating Disorders, Developmental Disorders, Neurological Disorders (D1: P1,2,3,5,6,8,17,23; D2: 1,2,3,4,9,12,13,14,15,17; D3: P1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,15; D4: P1,3,4; D5: P1,2,3,4,6,8,10,11,12,15)

#### Therapeutic interventions

• Biopsychosocial model, Psychotherapeutic interventions, Therapeutic efficacy, Evidence-based best-practice guidelines D1: P1,2,3,5,6,8,13,17,23; D2: 1,2,3,4,9,12,13,14,15,17; D3: P1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,15; D4: P1,3,4,6; D5: P1,2,3,4,6,8,10,11,12,15,19)

#### Suicide

• Current research and societal responses • Irish context and research • Psychological models (D1: P1,2,3,5,6,8,9,10,11,13,17,19,22,23 D2: 1,3,4,9,12,13,14,17; D3: P1,2,4,5,6,7,8,10, 14,15; D4: P1,3,4; D5: P1,4,6,8,12,15,19)

#### Dealing with challenging behaviour in adults and children

• Assessment of the areas of challenging behaviour • Role of Behaviour Analysis • Role of social care worker in team • Helping the individual move forward with specific interventions and nurturing therapeutic change, reflective practice. (D1: P1,2,3,5,6,8,9,10,11,13,14,17,19,22,23; D2: P1,2,3,4,9,10,12,13,14,15,17; D3: P1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10, 14,15; D4: P1,3,4; D5: P1,2,3,4,6,8,10,11,12,13,15)

Assessment Breakdown	%
Continuous Assessment	40.00%
End of Module Formal Examination	60.00%

### Continuous Assessment

Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date
Written Report	Choice of clinical case studies: Student is asked to discuss clinical features, assessment and evaluation of potential interventions, along with development of an intervention plan, based on evidence-based best-practice guidelines (D5: P1,4,6,12; D3: P. 1,2,4,5,6,8; D2: P1,9,12.)	2,5	40.00	n/a

No Project

No Practical

### End of Module Formal Examination

Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date
Formal Exam	Three hour written exam (D1: P. 1,2,3,6, 8,17,23; D2: P1,2,3,4,9,10,12,13,14,15,17; D3: 1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,14,15; D5: P 1,2,3,4,6,8,10,11,12,13,15,19)	1,2,3,4,5	60.00	End-of-Semester

SETU Carlow Campus reserves the right to alter the nature and timings of assessment

**Module Workload**

<b>Workload: Full Time</b>		
<i>Workload Type</i>	<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Average Weekly Learner Workload</i>
Lecture	15 Weeks per Stage	3.00
Tutorial	15 Weeks per Stage	1.00
Independent Learning	15 Weeks per Stage	12.67
Total Hours		250.00

  

<b>Workload: Part Time</b>		
<i>Workload Type</i>	<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Average Weekly Learner Workload</i>
Lecture	Every Week	2.00
Total Hours		2.00

**Module Delivered In**

Programme Code	Programme	Semester	Delivery
CW_HHSST_D	<a href="#">Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Studies</a>	3	Mandatory