

This module will introduce students from diverse non-psychology backgrounds to a range of key topics in psychology and behavioural science. It will highlight the contributions of established and emerging theoretical frameworks with the aim of applying psychological research to theories of decision making, and the application of these theories in predicting patterns of economic and social behaviour. It will be divided into 3 sections:

- (i) The Psychological Basis of Judgment and Decision Making
- (ii) Judgment and Decision Making in Context
- (ii) Individual Differences and Social Influence

The topics covered will include aspects of cognitive, social, personality, and political psychology. The lecture content will reflect aspects of psychology that are central to the context of behavioural economics.

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<div style="text-align:center;"><p>Curricular information is subject to change</p></div>

What will I learn?

Learning Outcomes:

<p>The key learning outcomes of this module:

- A common knowledge base of topics in psychological and behavioural science.
- An understanding of the role of psychological science at the individual, interpersonal and societal level.
- The ability to critically examine current knowledge in psychological and behavioural science.
- The ability to use psychological knowledge to inform theories of human behaviour and decision making.</p>

How will I learn?

Student Effort Hours:

Student Effort Type	Hours
Seminar (or Webinar)	20
Specified Learning Activities	30
Autonomous Student Learning	125
Total	175

Am I eligible to take this module?

<div class="subHeadCB">Requirements, Exclusions and Recommendations</div>

<p>Not applicable to this module.</p>

<div class="subHeadCB">Module Requisites and Incompatibles</div>

Not applicable to this module.

How will I be assessed?

Assessment Strategy

Description	Timing	Open Book Exam	Component Scale	Must Pass Component	% of Final Grade
Assignment: Critical review of societal issue	Coursework (End of Trimester)	n/a	Graded	No	50
Attendance: Attendance and participation	Throughout the Trimester	n/a	Graded	No	20
Presentation: In Class Debate	Week 8	n/a	Graded	No	30

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<div class="col-sm-6">Carry forward of passed components
Yes</div>
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What happens if I fail?

Resit In	Terminal Exam
Summer	No

Assessment feedback

<div class="subHeadCB">Feedback Strategy/Strategies</div>
<p>* Feedback individually to students, post-assessment
* Group/class feedback, post-assessment
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<div class="subHeadCB">How will my Feedback be Delivered?</div>
<p>Students will receive individual written feedback on their performance in mid-semester class presentations. This will be distributed through Brightspace in the weeks following class presentations. There will also be in-class post-assessment feedback given on the performance of the whole group.</p>

Reading List

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<h1 class="printOnly"> UCD Course Search
Topics in Psychological Sci (PSY40700) </h1><h3 class="printOnly">Academic Year 2019/2020</h3><p class="printOnly">The information contained in this document is, to the best of our knowledge, true and accurate at the time of publication, and is solely for informational purposes. University College Dublin accepts no liability for any loss or damage howsoever arising as a result of use or reliance on this information.</p>
<h4 class="noPrint">Topics in Psychological Sci (PSY40700)</h4>
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<dt>Subject:</dt>
<dd>Psychology</dd>
<dt>College:</dt>
<dd>Social Sciences & Law</dd>
<dt>School:</dt>
<dd>Psychology</dd>
<dt>Level:</dt>
<dd>4 (Masters)</dd>
<dt>Credits:</dt>
<dd>7.5</dd>

<dt>Trimester:</dt>
<dd>Spring</dd>
<dt>Module Coordinator:</dt>
<dd>Assoc Professor Michael O'Connell</dd>
<dt>Mode of Delivery:</dt>
<dd>Blended</dd>
<dt>Internship Module:</dt><dd>No</dd>

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<dt>How will I be graded?</dt>
<dd>Letter grades </dd>

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