

Current Debates

Wrap-up of Semester Two
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Assessment 2 Information

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W/C	T/W	Lecture Title and Speaker - (Wednesday: 11am-1pm)
Jan 28 th	11	Dr Kate Williams - Overview of the module for Semester Two (one hour - no seminar)
Feb 4 th	12	Dr Paul Hutchings: <i>Should Black Lives Matter or All Lives matter? The Psychology of Police Violence Against Black Males</i>
Feb 11 th	13	Dr Judith Marshall: <i>Cosmetic surgery: a 'normal' part of modern life?</i>
Feb 18 th	14	RDA Lecture – Dissertation talks from Academic staff
Feb 25 th	Reading Week	
Mar 4 th	15	Student led debate
Mar 11 th	16	~~Payal Sood: Development of a coping intervention~~ Cancelled
Mar 18 th	17	Katie Sullivan: The effects of racial prejudice on Brexit vote
Mar 25 th	18	Zoe Cook: <i>Psychosocial Oncology: Development of a Psychosocial outcomes toolkit.</i>
Apr 1 st	19	Dr Kate Williams - Assessment 2 Information and Guidance
Easter Break (3 weeks)		
Apr 29 th	20	Dr Kate Williams - Presentation practice opportunity
May 6 th	21	Presentations: Wednesday 8 th May – allocated timeslot available on Moodle

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- ▶ **Individual Presentation**
- ▶ **Length = 15 minutes for presentation**
 - ▶ **+ 5 minutes for questions**
- ▶ **Worth 50% of the overall module mark**
- ▶ **Presentation Date = Wednesday 8th May**

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- ▶ **Timeslots are on the module moodle page**
- ▶ **This can be found under the “Module assessment information” toggle.**
- ▶ **Here you will also find the proforma for the assessment.**
 - ▶ **Please read this carefully.**

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- ▶ **Presentations are divided into two sessions:**
 - ▶ **One starting at 9am (sharp!)**
 - ▶ **The second starting at 11:20am**
- ▶ **Please ensure to arrive in plenty of time for the beginning of your session.**
- ▶ **All students will act as audience members within the session they are presenting.**

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- ▶ **Presentation slides must be submitted to the TurnItIn portal by 9am on the 8th May.**
 - ▶ **Draft portal to check for plagiarism.**
 - ▶ **Draft & final portals are available now.**
 - ▶ **Please upload your final presentation to the correct portal.**
- ▶ **Late submissions or non-attendance will result in a penalty applied to the mark.**

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► Presentation Task:

- ‘Present and critically discuss a given area of psychological debate’.
- This assessment is designed to allow you to demonstrate your presentation skills and understanding of key issues in the chosen topic for presentation.

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► Presentation Task:

- Presentations will be oral but may be supported by PowerPoint slides.
- Please note that all presentations will be either voice or video-recorded for assessment moderation purposes.

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► Choose ONE presentation topic area:

1. Is gender a choice?
2. Should psychologists 'nudge' people to behave in ways that will improve their health?
3. Is classifying 'gaming addiction' as a mental health disorder helpful?
4. Was it ethical to remotely diagnose Donald Trump?
5. Is evolutionary psychology a valid basis for explaining psychological concepts?
6. Is your political affiliation defined by your personality type?

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▶ Structure of presentation:

- ▶ Begin by introducing the topic area
 - ▶ Provide a brief background
- ▶ Then (as you can see from each topic), there are 2 sides to each argument (at least)
- ▶ So, you should then present a balanced argument for and against the topic question.

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- ▶ **Structure of presentation:**
 - ▶ Then provide an overall evaluation of the different weights of evidence.
 - ▶ Finally, conclude clearly with an answer based upon what you have covered.

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- ▶ **IMPORTANT!!!**
- ▶ **Your presentation and arguments must be evidence-based.**
- ▶ **You must support your statements with evidence and cite your sources.**
 - ▶ **Both in the information you describe verbally and in writing on the PowerPoint slides**
 - ▶ **Also, provide a “References” slide at the end with a list of all the references you used.**
 - ▶ **Citations and references must be in APA format.**

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- ▶ **The marking criteria is attached to the proforma.**
- ▶ **Students should study it carefully to ensure that they are clear on what is required of them in order to achieve a specific mark.**
- ▶ **Two members of academic staff will view each individual presentation and will use this criteria when deciding upon your overall mark for the assessment.**

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- ▶ In our final lecture (after Easter), you will have the opportunity to bring your presentation in for brief feedback and to ensure you are on the right track.
- ▶ Timeslots for these 15 minute feedback discussions are available on the module moodle page for you to sign up to a slot.

Finally.....

**All the best for
your presentation!**