



Al Retaj International School

Humanities Department

*"Together Towards Success"*

## Psychology Course Description (Academic Year 2020/2021)

An introduction to psychological science -- the study of behavior and mental processes. This course follows Common Core Standards. It surveys the major sub disciplines of the field, including such topics as the brain and neuroscience, behavioral genetics, cognitive and social development, perception, learning, memory, decision-making, language, consciousness, emotions, motivation, psychological disorders, social identity, interpersonal interactions and group and cultural processes.

**From the Perspective of...** Every chapter includes questions to help students connect psychological concepts with career realities. The feature helps students understand how psychology impacts their chosen program of study and answers the "why does psychology matter to me?" question. Examples of some of the career fields include health, technology, criminal justice, and marketing.