Topical Conversations in Psychology

IEEL023  5 credit module (equivalent to 2.5 ECTS)

The module will explore both theory and research of current and topical aspects of psychology. Students will discuss recent research papers and consider how the topics explored relate to 'real world' lives and contemporary events.

Typical content will include topics such as:

- Politics and the media
- Sex specific research (a review of research identifying differences between the sexes)
- Effective Learning Strategies
- The Obesity Crisis and the food environment
- Different approaches to leadership and their relative merits
- Current research on aggression. How conflict might be reduced and can we build a peaceful society?
- Why are people prejudiced against other groups? What are the psychological factors which underpin discrimination and can knowledge of these factors help us to reduce discrimination?
- How do children learn language?
- What role do psychologists have to play in reducing crime and catching criminals?
- What is the nature of human consciousness?

Further information for this module will be available in January 2019.