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Dear Colleague

**National Qualifications Update: Amendment to Conditions and Arrangements for Psychology (Higher)**

*Please pass this information on to the teacher in charge of Psychology*

As you may be aware a late decision was taken to allow dual running of the old and revised courses in NQ Psychology. This decision was intimated to centres in early July.

Prior to this decision being taken, it had been agreed that the Unit D405 *12 Approaches and Methods in Psychology* could contribute to the new Course as an alternative to DF5L *12 Psychology: Investigating Behaviour* for candidates who have already achieved it and this information was disseminated to centres in the Report Letter issued in June 2004. However, because centres may still deliver the old Course in its entirety for this current session, **there is no longer a need for this substitution.**

There is a note to this effect in the current *Conditions and Arrangements* document on SQA's website: [www.sqa.org.uk](http://www.sqa.org.uk).

Should you have any enquiries relating to this amendment please do not hesitate to contact me on 0141-242 2343 or by e-mail at: [tom.stannage@sqa.co.uk](mailto:tom.stannage@sqa.co.uk)

Yours faithfully



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## Development work on National Courses and Units 2004/2005

The following information about National Courses in Psychology updates the information provided in the Report on development work on National Courses and Units, issued in June 2004.

### Psychology

There have been significant changes in this area: Course and Unit details are confirmed as follows:

Course title	Course level	Course code	Component Unit title	Unit code	Credit value
Psychology	Int 1	C212 10	Psychology: Understanding the Individual	DF5K 10	1
			Psychology: Investigating Behaviour	DF5L 10	1
			Psychology: The Individual in the Social Context	DF5M 10	1
			Psychology	X212 10	1
Psychology	Int 2	C212 11	Psychology: Understanding the Individual	DF5K 11	1
			Psychology: Investigating Behaviour	DF5L 11	1
			Psychology: The Individual in the Social Context	DF5M 11	1
			Psychology	X212 11	1
Psychology	Higher	C212 12	Psychology: Understanding the Individual	DF5K 12	1
			Psychology: Investigating Behaviour	DF5L 12	1
			Psychology: The Individual in the Social Context	DF5M 12	1
			Psychology	X212 12	1

### Summary of Changes

#### Intermediate 1

The Course C071 10 *Psychology* has been revised and replaced by C212 10. Three new Units have been developed for the new Course as follows:

DF5K 10	<i>Psychology: Understanding the Individual</i>
DF5L 10	<i>Psychology: Investigating Behaviour</i>
DF5M 10	<i>Psychology: The Individual in the Social Context</i>

Centres can run C071 10 and the following Units in session 2004/2005 but are advised to adopt the new versions as soon as possible. Course C071 10 finishes 31 July 2005. The following Units finish 31 July 2006. These Units will not contribute to the new Course C212 10.

D399 10	<i>Psychology: An Introduction</i>
D70F 10	<i>Cognitive Psychology</i>
D70G 10	<i>Social Psychology</i>
D70H 10	<i>Biological Psychology</i>
D70J 10	<i>Developmental Psychology</i>
D70K 10	<i>The Psychology of Individual Differences</i>

## **Intermediate 2**

The Course C071 11 *Psychology* has been revised and replaced by C212 11. Three new Units have been developed for the new Course as follows:

DF5K 11	<i>Psychology: Understanding the Individual</i>
DF5L 11	<i>Psychology: Investigating Behaviour</i>
DF5M 11	<i>Psychology: The Individual in the Social Context</i>

Centres can run C071 11 and the following Units in session 2004/2005 but are advised to adopt the new versions as soon as possible. Course C071 11 finishes 31 July 2005. The following Units finish 31 July 2006. These Units will not contribute to the new Course C212 11.

D399 11	<i>Psychology: An Introduction</i>
D70F 11	<i>Cognitive Psychology</i>
D70G 11	<i>Social Psychology</i>
D70H 11	<i>Biological Psychology</i>
D70J 11	<i>Developmental Psychology</i>
D70K 11	<i>The Psychology of Individual Differences</i>

## **Higher**

The Course C071 12 *Psychology* has been revised and replaced by C212 12. Three new Units have been developed for the new Course as follows:

DF5K 12	<i>Psychology: Understanding the Individual</i>
DF5L 12	<i>Psychology: Investigating Behaviour</i>
DF5M 12	<i>Psychology: The Individual in the Social Context</i>

Centres can run C071 12 and the following Units in session 2004/2005 but are advised to adopt the new versions as soon as possible. Course C071 12 finishes 31 July 2005. The following Units finish 31 July 2006. These Units will not contribute to the new Course C212 12.

D70F 12	<i>Cognitive Psychology</i>
D70G 12	<i>Social Psychology</i>
D70H 12	<i>Biological Psychology</i>
D70J 12	<i>Developmental Psychology</i>
D70K 12	<i>The Psychology of Individual Differences</i>
D405 12	<i>Approaches and Methods in Psychology.</i>