

# Access to HE Diploma Assignment Brief (Form AP3)



<b>Provider name:</b>	Sunshine College
<b>Access Diploma title:</b>	Access to HE Diploma (Social Sciences)
<b>Unit title and code:</b>	Psychology – PK1//3/AA/11G
<b>Assignment title and number, e.g. 1 of 1 or 1 of 2 etc:</b>	Assignment 1 of 3 Research Methods & Principles of Ethics
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## Assignment briefing and mapping to unit:

Many students are interested in the subject of psychology and psychological research. Your task is to design an eye catching academic poster (maximum size A1 with notes) that would introduce new students to this subject.

The poster must present two historical psychological investigations that clearly highlight the lack of ethical considerations which students must be aware of when conducting psychological research today. You must also attach a typed evaluation of why your two chosen investigations lack the accepted ethical standards of psychological research today (250 words per evaluation) (5.1 & 5.2)

<b>Assignment hand out date:</b>	
<b>Assignment submission deadline date:</b>	
<b>Draft(s) permitted: Yes/No</b> <i>If yes, include deadline date(s) for draft(s)</i>	No

## Mapping to Unit

This assignment covers the following learning outcomes & assessment criteria.

LO 5 Understand ethical issues in the scientific investigation of human and/or animal behaviour  
AC 5.1 Outline the main ethical issues generated by psychological research  
AC 5.2 Evaluate two psychological investigations in relation to the ethical issues they generate

## Grading information for this assignment

<b>Grade descriptor:</b>	<b>5: Communication and presentation</b>
The student, student's work or performance:	
<b>For a pass:</b>	Meet the assessment criteria to achieve the learning outcomes for the unit
<b>For Merit:</b>	shows <b>very good</b> command of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• format</li> <li>• language (including technical or specialist language)</li> <li>• referencing</li> <li>• use of images</li> </ul> <p>Contextualisation: The poster should be eye catching and colourful and</p>

	written in an academic style. It should use some technical language associated with study of psychology. It should be well referenced, and have a bibliography attached.
<b>For distinction:</b>	<p>shows <b>excellent</b> command of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• format</li> <li>• language (including technical or specialist language)</li> <li>• referencing</li> <li>• use of images</li> </ul> <p>Contextualisation: The poster is eye catching and colourful, using a consistent academic style. Technical language outlines the main ethical issues and methods used in the study of psychology. It has excellent referencing, and a wide range of academic sources within the bibliography.</p>

<b>Grade descriptor:</b>	<b>7: Quality</b>
The student, student's work or performance:	
<b>For a pass:</b>	Meet the assessment criteria to achieve the learning outcomes for the unit
<b>For Merit:</b>	<p>c. taken as a whole, demonstrates a <b>very good</b> response to the demands of the brief/assignment</p> <p>Contextualisation: The poster demonstrates very good understanding of psychological investigations and the main ethical issues and methods associated with research in this field. It is very well presented and is written in a very good academic style. The written evaluation is very good but has some limitations.</p>
<b>For distinction:</b>	<p>c. taken as a whole, demonstrates an <b>excellent</b> response to the demands of the brief/assignment</p> <p>Contextualisation: The poster demonstrates comprehensive knowledge and understanding of psychological investigations and the main ethical issues and methods associated with research in this field. The presentation is excellent and the poster is written in a consistent academic style. The written evaluation is excellent.</p>

<b>Declaration:</b> I confirm that this assignment is my best attempt and all my own work and that it conforms to the course policy on plagiarism.		
Print name:	Student signature:	Date: