

## COURSE DETAIL

### THE PSYCHOLOGY OF INDIVIDUAL DIFFERENCES: PERSONALITY AND INTELLIGENCE

**Country**

Netherlands

**Host Institution**

Maastricht University – University College Maastricht

**Program(s)**

University College Maastricht

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Psychology

**UCEAP Course Number**

114

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF INDIVIDUAL DIFFERENCES: PERSONALITY AND INTELLIGENCE

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

PSYCH & DIFFERENCES

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

**Course Description**

This course offers a study of personality and difference from a psychological perspective. This course examines why and when a person behaves in a different way than someone else and how personality impacts what will happen to us in our life. The course also discusses practical applications of theory and research findings and learns to apply measurement techniques for assessing individual differences. The course explores the different theoretical conceptualizations and measurement approaches of personality and intelligence. Based on the purpose of the assessment, different methods may prove more or less useful. The course discovers different explanations for why people differ in their personality and their level of intelligence. The course looks at physiological, evolutionary-genetic, as well as contextual explanations. Further, the course analyzes the relationship between personality, intelligence, and meaningful life events. What personality traits are important for marital satisfaction and what characteristics make us become a criminal? But also, how does becoming a parent or getting a new job change our personality? Lastly the course introduces real life applications of knowledge on personality and intelligence. Specifically, the course discusses how this knowledge is used in clinical settings (e.g., when having patients with a personality disorders) and in organizational settings (e.g., for personnel selection purposes).

**Language(s) of Instruction**

English

**Host Institution Course Number**

SSC2063

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THE PSYCHOLOGY OF INDIVIDUAL DIFFERENCES: PERSONALITY AND INTELLIGENCE

**Host Institution Campus**

University College Maastricht

**Host Institution Faculty**

**Host Institution Degree**

**Host Institution Department**

Social Sciences

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