# **H8PSTY: Psychotraumatology**

Module Code	·•	H8PSTY				
Long Title		Psychotraumatology APPROVED				
Title		Psychotraumatology				
Module Level:		LEVEL 8				
EQF Level:		6				
EHEA Level:		First Cycle				
Credits:		5				
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Departments:		School of Business				
Specifications of the qualifications and experience required of staff		PhD in Psychology or related cognate discipline				
Learning Outcomes						
On successful completion of this module the learner will be able to:						
#	Learning Outcome	ning Outcome Description				
LO1	Demonstrate a comp	comprehensive understanding of trauma and traumatic-stress related disorders.				
LO2	Critically evaluate re	aluate research relating to the different models and theories of PTSD.				
LO3	Gain an in-depth und	understanding of the aetiology, risk, protective factors, and comorbid psychopathology of PTSD/CPTSD.				
LO4	Describe and evalua	te a range of treatments for traumatic-stress related disorders.				
Dependencies						
Module Recommendations						
No recommendations listed						
Co-requisite Modules						
No Co-requisite modules listed						
Entry requirements		There are no additional entry requirements for this module. The programme entry requirements apply.				

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# **Module Content & Assessment**

### Indicative Content

### History of psychological trauma and PTSD/complex PTSD

Understanding psychological trauma and posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) History and foundations of the study of psychological trauma (e.g., shellshock, soldier's heart, and railroad spine). Changes in the conceptualisations of PTSD across the ICD and DSM classifications The conceptualisation of complex PTSD (CPTSD) Theories of PTSD

Risk/protective factors and comorbid conditions associated with PTSD/CPTSD

Comorbid conditions associated with PTSD/CPTSD (e.g., internalising disorders, substance use) PTSD/CPTSD and physical health Risk factors which predict the onset of PTSD/CPTSD following trauma exposure Protective factors that reduce the likelihood of developing PTSD/CPTSD symptoms Preventing PTSD

### Trauma and psychopathology

Epidemiology of traumatic events The relationship between trauma exposure and psychopathology

Other traumatic stress disorders/posttraumatic reactions
Disorders specifically associated with stress' in the ICD-11 'Trauma- and stressor-related disorders' in the DSM-5 Trauma and dissociation

#### Assessment of PTSD

Methodological considerations for studying PTSD Statistical bias in assessing and diagnosing PTSD symptomatology Sociodemographic biases of the clinical structure of PTSD (e.g., across age, sex) Discussing empirical evidence comparing clinical structure of PTSD in ICD-11 vs DSM-5 Trajectories of PTSD response

Posttraumatic growth and resilience What is posttraumatic growth? Correlates of posttraumatic growth

#### Treatment of traumatic-stress related disorders

Evidence-based treatments for PTSD Trauma-focused Cognitive Behavioural Therapy Prolonged Exposure Therapy Cognitive Processing Therapy Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing Other treatments

Assessment Breakdown	%
Coursework	100.00%

#### Assessments

### **Full Time**

#### Coursework

Assessment Type: Continuous Assessment % of total: 100 **Assessment Date:** n/a Outcome addressed: 1.2.3.4

No

### Assessment Description:

Students will be presented with a selection of essay topics. They will be required to answer one of these. Students will be required to critically evaluate the current research in the area and demonstrate a comprehensive and extensive understanding of the topic.

No End of Module Assessment

No Workplace Assessment

#### Reassessment Requirement

**Coursework Only**This module is reassessed solely on the basis of re-submitted coursework. There is no repeat written examination.

### Reassessment Description

Students must attempt all assessment components. If the student fails the module overall, they must repeat all failed, missed, or deferred assessments

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Module Workload								
Module Target Workload Hours 0 Hours								
Workload: Full Time								
Workload Type	Workload Description	Hours	Frequency	Average Weekly Learner Workload				
Lecture	Classroom and demonstrations	12	Per Semester	1.00				
Independent Learning	Independent learning	113	Per Semester	9.42				
Total Weekly Contact Hours								

# **Module Resources**

## Recommended Book Resources

Friedman, M. J., Schnurr, P. P., & Keane, T. M.. (2021), Handbook of PTSD: Science and practice, 3rd ed. Guilford Press.

Ford, J. D., Grasso, D. J., Elhai, J. D. & Courtois, C. A. (2015), Posttraumatic stress disorder: Scientific and professional dimensions, Elsevier.

## Supplementary Book Resources

Herman, J. (2015), Trauma and recovery: The aftermath of violence from domestic abuse to political terror, Basic Books.

This module does not have any article/paper resources

# Other Resources

[Journal], British Journal of Psychiatry.

[Journal], Depression & Anxiety.

[Journal], Journal of Traumatic Stress.

[Journal], European Journal of Psychotraumatology.

[Journal], Journal of Psychopathology and Clinical Science.

# Discussion Note: