Topic:

Outline the similarities and differences between your approach (philosophies, assumptions) to psychology (as illustrated in your Honours thesis proposal) and that of one the Fathers of Psychology (James or Wundt).

Due date:

Monday 26 April, 9am.

Instructions:

• You have 1500 words. NO MORE.

• Provide me with the abstract for your proposal (doesn’t count towards word limit). A maximum of 200 words.

• The 1500 words includes EVERYTHING (words, numbers, citations, incoherent strings of symbols) up to the reference section.

• Outline your view of the IMPORTANT (in the context of your work) features of Wundt OR James’ theory. For example, what are they suggesting about how Psychology should proceed? What are the appropriate topics for Psychology? What are the appropriate methods for Psychology?

• Then compare your approach to theirs –
  • What theoretical assumptions are you making?
  • How’s this evident in your study?
  • Would this sit comfortably with Wundt or James?
  • No need to critically evaluate Wundt or James’ positions. Just outline their main positions on the issues relevant to your thesis.

Mark breakdown:

Abstract: 10%

Coverage of Wundt or James: 30%

Comparison of positions: 50%

General style: 10%