

PSYCHOLOGY (PSYC)

PSYC 1101 - General Psychology (3 Credits)

Introduction to the science of psychology. Major topics including learning, memory, motivation, personality, social behaviors, maturation, and development. Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 2103 - Human Growth & Development (3 Credits)

An introductory, non-laboratory based examination of human development across the lifespan with an emphasis on normal patterns of physical, cognitive, and social development. Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 2210 - Professions of Psychology (1 Credit)

The purpose of this one-credit, required course for psychology majors, is to provide you with information and skills that will help you select and pursue a career in psychology or a related field. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Lecture hours: 1

Other hours: 1

PSYC 2225 - Intro to Abnormal Psychology (3 Credits)

A survey of the symptoms, causes and treatments of the various categories of mental disorders listed by the American Psychiatric Association in the current edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual (DSM). Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 2226 - Introduction to Social Psychology (3 Credits)

This course is designed to introduce students to the basic concepts of social psychology. Included are topics such as: social judgments, the formation of attitudes, gender and diversity, the perception of other people, conformity and obedience, group influence, prejudice, aggression, and conflict and peacemaking. Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 2240 - Psychology of Stress (3 Credits)

Psychology of stress factors producing stress in one's daily life with attention to their physiological and psychological effects. Much of the course will deal with developing effective techniques for coping with stress. Offered: As Needed.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 2250 - Sensation and Perception (3 Credits)

An introduction to sensory process and the psychology of perception. Topics include principles of sensation, organization of visual perception, motivation and perception. Offered: As Needed.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 2260 - Humanistic Psychology (3 Credits)

An introduction to the philosophy of humanism as treated by Allport, Rogers, Fromm, Maslow and others. Offered: As Needed.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 2270 - Psychology of Ethics (3 Credits)

Special attention to the ethics of behavioral control, punishment and reward systems; the use of testing and physiological technology in such areas as advertising, propaganda and brainwashing. Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 2271 - Practicum I (3 Credits)

This course provides an opportunity for students majoring in Psychology to gain practical experience in agency settings. It can be taken at any level between sophomore and senior status. Students spend a minimum of 10 hours per week in an agency which must be germane to the student's interest and approved by advisor. Students are expected to defray cost of transportation to and from agencies and other professional expenses incidental to this experience. Offered: As Needed.

Prerequisites: PSYC 2270

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 2272 - Practicum II (3 Credits)

This course provides an opportunity for students to continue in the agency and take a second practicum in an agency that differs from the one used for Practicum I. Students are expected to defray cost of transportation to and from agencies and other professional expenses incidental to this experience. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 2270 and PSYC 2271

PSYC 2275 - Interviewing Practicum (3 Credits)

The course provides an opportunity for students to acquire skills necessary for effective interviews with people seeking help. Extensive use is made of role plays by students which are videotaped and replayed for analysis. Course gives attention to interviewing families, as well as, individuals, securing needed information, handling racial difficulties, handling anger, and handling client requests. Offered: As Needed.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 2280 - Psychology of Women (3 Credits)

The changing role of women with specific attention to economic, social and emotional independence goals of women; adjustment to new status by women and ways of the public on the role of the "new woman" Offered: As Needed.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 2282 - Human Behavior and The Environment (3 Credits)

Examines the ecological approach to human behavior, enabling the student to identify the stages and characteristics of normal human growth and development within the context of the social environment. Covered is psycho-social development from before birth to old age, the impact of environment, family functioning and group functioning. Offered: As Needed.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 2290 - Foundations of Learning & Motivation (3 Credits)

Examines the critical impact of experience on human thought and behavior. Emphasis is placed on the process and principles which have been shown to underlie human learning, memory, and motivation. Social learning and cognitive approaches are discussed as well as behavioral approaches. Offered: As Needed.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 2295 - Psychology of Adjustment (3 Credits)

Focus on adjustment and personal growth. Topics include adjustment problems and psychotherapy, stress and defense coping, assertive and self-directed behaviors Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 2296 - Psychology of Human Sexuality (3 Credits)

Surveys the numerous psychological, social, and cultural factors affecting human sexual behavior. Topics include values and sexual decision-making, sexual anatomy and physiology, research methods, sexual diversity, sex education, reproduction, sexually transmitted diseases, sexual disorders and therapeutic techniques. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 3000 - Industrial Psychology (3 Credits)

A course designed to acquaint the student with the application of psychological principles of human interaction in industrial and business settings, personnel selection, job evaluation, advertising and other business management areas. Offered: As Needed.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 3001 - Child Psychology (3 Credits)

A concentration on the emerging self into adolescence. Focus on perceptual-motor, interpersonal and cognitive self systems. Topics include heredity, prenatal, physical, cognitive and emotional development. Offered: Fall.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 3002 - Adolescent Psychology (3 Credits)

The mental, moral, emotional and social development of the adolescent young adult. A critical evaluation of the adolescent problems, needs, interests, and potentials. Offered: Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 3302 - Introduction to Exceptional Children (3 Credits)

A course designed to acquaint the student with the trends, etiology, growth and development, characteristics, needs and problems of exceptional children. Offered: Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

PSYC 3307 - Physiological Psychology (3 Credits)

A course designed to familiarize the students with the physiological bases of behavior, the nervous system, the endocrine system, and research techniques in physiological psychology. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 3309 - Introduction to Psychopharmacology (3 Credits)

The roles of psychotropic agents in society and the treatment of mental illness and behavioral disorders regarding psychotropic agents will be examined. Offered: Fall.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 3310 - Drug Physiology and Classification (3 Credits)

This course examines the principles of drug action and physiology. Drug classification, tolerance, dependence, and models of addiction will be topics that are emphasized. Offered: Fall.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

PSYC 3311 - Substance Abuse and Treatment (3 Credits)

The course examines substance abuse and dependence, substance intervention techniques, and methods of treatment. Other topics will include impact of substance abuse on the family and the community and an analysis of rehabilitation methods. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 3312 - Introduction to Group Process (3 Credits)

A review of the basic group concepts, treatment techniques, and empirical research that supports the clinical and counseling uses of group procedures with client populations. Ethical standards are also reviewed in this course. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 3320 - Psychology of Personality (3 Credits)

A systematic study of the natural development of personality. Emphasis is placed on empirical findings, concepts and theories derived from experimental and clinical research. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 3322 - Abnormal Psychology (3 Credits)

An advanced study of various areas encompassed within the term "Abnormal behavior." Emphasis is placed upon the restrictive milieu of the mentally ill, therapy, techniques and the symptomatology of emotional disturbances. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 3324 - Culture and Personality Development (3 Credits)

A study of cultural focuses that influence the development of personality. Topics include socialization, nurture vs. nature, social differentiation, language and geographical variation. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 3329 - Community Mental Health (3 Credits)

This course is designed to emphasize the effects of social systems on human adjustment and functioning. Social planning is considered as a means for promoting positive mental health. Topics include community resources, effective services, and delivery and utilization of human services and program evaluation. Observation and "laboratory"/ field experiences will be required Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 3340 - Psychology of Religion (3 Credits)

A course designed to examine the psychological aspect of religion. The topics include the impact of religious attitudes, perception and sensory activities of the individual. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101 or SOCI 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 3353 - Counseling the Aged (3 Credits)

A survey of programs in later life and an overview of related counseling techniques. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 3370 - Introduction to Behavioral Modification (3 Credits)

Focuses on the application of operant conditioning and cognitive control techniques to improve behavior in a variety of therapeutic settings and everyday situations. Details on how to implement, use and evaluate various techniques are discussed along with related ethical issues. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 3371 - Juvenile Delinquency (3 Credits)

The nature and extent of juvenile delinquency, analysis of patterns and sociological theories of causations, the role of the police and the courts. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 4300 - Behavioral Statistics (3 Credits)

An introduction to statistical concepts, methods and techniques used in behavioral sciences. Topics include: frequency distributions, graphs, measures of central tendency, variability, standard scores and the normal curve, correlational techniques, hypothesis testing, sampling, theory, and the significance of differences. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101 and (MATH 2411 or MATH 1401)

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 4304 - Behavioral Research (3 Credits)

An introduction to research procedures used in the behavioral sciences including experimental design, research methodology and scientific writing. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 4300 or SOCI 4300 or SOWK 4300

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 4305 - Introduction to Experimental Psychology (3 Credits)

Emphasis placed on the application of experimental methods to the study of psychological phenomena, especially in the areas of learning. Selected laboratory experiments, demonstrations and collateral reading of experiments. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 4400 - Health Psychology (3 Credits)

The educational, scientific and professional contributions of the discipline of psychology to the promotion and maintenance of mental and physical health. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 4401 - Psychology of Aging (3 Credits)

Examines the psychological aspects of aging with the emphasis on the sensory processes, learning psychomotor performance, mental functioning, motivation and interactions in health-behavior relations during the latter Years of the life cycle. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 4411 - Seminar in Family Dynamics (3 Credits)

An examination of the socio-cultural and social psychological forces that influence family. Topics will include mobility aspirations, Social stratification, religion, education, and geographical location. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 4421 - Principles of Psychological Testing (3 Credits)

Emphasis on the empirical scientific approach to the construction, standardization, validation and interpretation of the psychological tests. Critical examination of the more important types of and measurements. Special attention is given to the problem of testing minority groups. Laboratory exercises are required. Offered: As Needed.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 4425 - Introduction to Counseling (3 Credits)

An introduction to the principles and techniques of counseling with emphasis on counseling approaches. Major topics include the counselor's viewpoints and practices, conditions which influence counseling and contemporary issues in counseling. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 4464 - Social Psychology (3 Credits)

This course integrates the theories of both classic and contemporary interest in social psychology with real world experiences. Topics include but are not limited to; multiple forms of social influence; intergroup processes; stereotyping, prejudice, and stigma; attribution theory; social cognition; cognitive dissonance theory; core social and self-motives; the social self; attitudes and persuasion; and attraction and close relationships. This upper level course is intended for juniors and seniors who have some background in social or cultural psychology and wish to gain a deeper understanding of major issues in the field. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3

PSYC 4465 - History and Systems of Psychology (3 Credits)

A course designed to deal with the systems and historical background of modern psychology with emphasis on the development of scientific and behavioral approaches. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 4492 - Independent Study (3 Credits)

Offers opportunities for students to design and pursue a course of study via contractual arrangements with a sponsoring faculty member. Detailed information and description of requirements can be obtained from the department office. Offered: As needed.

Lecture hours: 3

PSYC 4499 - Psychological Seminar (3 Credits)

Psychological Seminar is designed to be the culminating experience of the Bachelor of Arts program in Psychology. It provides psychology majors with opportunities to reflect on the science and profession of psychology as a whole and to consider their future interests and direction. All students complete a research project that reflects an in-depth investigation of a topic of interest in current psychological research. For students continuing their education, the course addresses a number of best practices as it relates to graduate school preparation and success, as well as projecting a positive and professional image. For students pursuing their professional careers, this course provides helpful tools and tips for developing proper business etiquette and interpersonal skills; writing competitive letters, resumes and e-portfolios. Offered: Fall, Spring.

Prerequisites: PSYC 1101

Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a semester level of Senior.

Lecture hours: 3

Other hours: 3