

**PSYC 101: Introduction to Psychology****Credit Hours:** 3**Scheduled hours per week**

Lecture: 3

Lab: 0

Other: 0

**Catalog Course Description:** A general introduction survey course, introducing the core areas of psychology. As a behavioral science, the focus will include an eclectic study of heredity, environment and learning. Other topics surveyed will include memory, perception, motivation, human development, personality, abnormal psychology, and psychotherapies. A general overview of specific theories in psychology will be included.

**Pre-requisites:** None**Co-requisites:** None**Course Learning Outcomes (CLO):****At the conclusion of Psychology 101, students should be able to:**

- Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.
- Describe perspectives employed to understand behavior and mental processes.
- Demonstrate psychology information literacy.
- Incorporate sociocultural factors in scientific inquiry.
- Identify the major divisions and subdivisions of the human nervous system.
- Discuss aspects of learning and memory.
- Describe the interactive effects of heredity and environment.
- Explain how experiences and expectations influence perception.
- Discuss aspects of cognition and intelligence.
- Differentiate personality assessment techniques.
- Define psychologically abnormal behavior.

**CLO Assessment Methods:**

<b>CLO</b>	<b>Assessment Method(s)</b>
Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.	Exams, Discussion, Written Papers
Describe perspectives employed to understand behavior and mental processes.	Exams, Discussion, Written Papers
Demonstrate psychology information literacy.	Exams, Written Papers
Incorporate sociocultural factors in scientific inquiry.	Exams, Discussion, Written Papers
Identify the major divisions and subdivisions of the human nervous system.	Exams, Discussion, Written Papers
Discuss aspects of learning and memory.	Exams, Discussion, Written Papers
Describe the interactive effects of heredity and environment.	Exams, Discussion, Written Papers
Explain how experiences and expectations influence perception.	Exams, Discussion, Written Papers
Discuss aspects of cognition and intelligence.	Exams, Discussion, Written Papers, Projects
Differentiate personality assessment techniques.	Exams, Discussion, Written Papers, Projects
Define psychologically abnormal behavior.	Exams, Discussion, Written Papers

**Topics to be studied:**

- History of Psychology
- Learning
- Biology and Behavior
- Psychopathology
- Sensation and Perception
- Sexuality
- Human Development
- Consciousness
- Intelligence and Cognition

<b>Relationship of Course to Institutional Learning Outcomes: (People and Their Worlds)</b>	
<b>CLO</b>	<b>ILO</b>
Describe key concepts, principles, and overarching themes in psychology.	Study the contemporary world through political, historical, psychological, sociological, philosophical, and/or study of the self. Demonstrate cross-cultural awareness and understanding
Describe perspectives employed to understand behavior and mental processes.	Study the contemporary world through political, historical, psychological, sociological, philosophical, and/or study of the self.
Demonstrate psychology information literacy.	Study the contemporary world through political, historical, psychological, sociological, philosophical, and/or study of the self.
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<p>Differentiate personality assessment techniques.</p>	<p>Study the contemporary world through political, historical, psychological, sociological, philosophical, and/or study of the self. Demonstrate cross-cultural awareness and understanding</p>
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Check if approved as:  Foundational Learning Course     Reinforcement Learning Course

**Special requirements of the course:** None

**Additional information:** None

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