THE PROFESSOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO AMEND THIS SYLLABUS AS NECESSARY.

Any changes will be announced via e-mail.

1. General Course Information:
   - **Prerequisite:** Developmental Reading 0093 or English as a Second Language (ESOL) 0044 or have met the Texas Success initiative (TSI) standard in Reading.
   - **Description:** Introduction to Psychology surveys major topics in the study of behavior. Factors which determine and affect behavior are examined. Psychological principles are applied to human experience.
   - **Objective:** The objective of the course is to give a general overview of the field, providing a broad understanding of what psychology involves, and developing the vocabulary that will serve as a tool in future psychology courses. The focus of the course is on the objective understanding of processes such as learning, motivation, perception, emotion, personality and their role in the individual’s adjustment.
   - **Course Student Learning Outcomes:** Upon completion of PSYC 230:
     - 1. Identify various research methods and their characteristics used in the scientific study of psychology.
     - 2. Describe the historical influences and early schools of thought that shaped the field of psychology.
     - 3. Describe some of the prominent perspectives and approaches used in the study of psychology.
     - 4. Use terminology unique to the study of psychology.
     - 5. Describe accepted approaches and standards in psychological assessment and evaluation.
     - 6. Identify factors in physiological and psychological processes involved in human behavior.

2. Text Book: Mastering the World of Psychology
   - **Author:** Samuel E. Wood, Ellen Green Wood, Denise Boyd

3. Course drop date. Last day to drop a class with a “W”:

4. Attendance Policy.
   - It is expected that you log on to the course webpage about once every 24 hours to keep up with assignments and important announcements.

5. Method of Evaluation:
   - All assignments are completed and submitted online. Students do not need to come to campus to complete course requirements.
     - **Chapter Quizzes:** 60%
     - **Discussion Board:** 20%
     - **Reflection Assignments:** 20%
     - **Total:** 100%
Final grades will be assigned according to the following scale.

A = 90-100
B = 80-89
C = 70-79
D = 60-69
F = Below 60

6. **Late-work/make-up work:**
   - All quizzes and assignments must be completed by the assigned due date and time. No late work will be accepted.

7. **Institution Policies**

   **Withdrawal Policy:**
   If you are unable to complete this course, it is your responsibility to withdraw formally. The withdrawal request must be received in the Registrar’s Office by. Failure to do so will result in your receiving a performance grade, usually an “F.” If you drop a class or withdraw from the college before the official drop/withdrawal deadline, you will receive a “W” (Withdraw) in each class dropped.

   Students who are receiving any form of financial aid should check with the Financial Aid Office prior to withdrawing from classes. Withdrawals may affect your eligibility to receive further aid and could cause you to be in a position of repayment for the current semester. Students who fail to attend or participate after the drop date are also subject to this policy.

   **STOP BEFORE YOU DROP**
   For students who enrolled in college level courses for the first time in the fall of 2007, Texas Education Code 51.907 limits the number of courses a student may drop.
   You may drop no more than 6 courses during your entire undergraduate career unless the drop qualifies as an exception. Your campus counseling/advising center will give you more information on the allowable exceptions.
   Remember that once you have accumulated 6 non-exempt drops, you cannot drop any other courses with a “W”. Therefore, please exercise caution when dropping courses in any Texas public institution of higher learning, including all seven of the Dallas County Community Colleges. For more information, you may access: [https://www1.dcccd.edu/coursedrops](https://www1.dcccd.edu/coursedrops)

   **Repeating this Course (Third Attempt to Enroll in a Course)**
   Effective for Fall Semester 2005, the Dallas County Community Colleges will charge additional tuition to students registering the third or subsequent time for a course. All third and subsequent attempts of the majority of credit and Continuing Education/Workforce Training courses will result in an additional tuition charge. Developmental Studies and a few other courses will not be charged additional tuition. Third attempts include courses taken at any of the DCCCD colleges since the Fall 2002 semester. For information and a list of frequently asked questions, please go to [http://www.dcccd.edu/thirdcourseattempt/](http://www.dcccd.edu/thirdcourseattempt/)

   **Financial Aid Statement for Distance Learning Classes**
   If you are receiving Financial Aid grants or loans and are enrolled in a Distance Learning class, you must show participation in this class prior to the certification date by either e-mailing or contacting the instructor or logging on to eCampus. Do not drop or stop attending any class without consulting the Financial Aid Office. Changes in your enrollment level and failing grades may require that you repay financial aid funds.

   **FINAL GRADE REPORTED BY ECONNECT**
   Final Grade Reports are no longer mailed. Convenient access is available online at [www.econnect.dcccd.edu](http://www.econnect.dcccd.edu) or by telephone at 972-613-1818. Use your identification number when you log onto eConnect, an online system developed by the DCCCD to provide you with timely information regarding your college record. Your grades will also be printed on your Student Advising Report, which is available in the Admissions and Student Records Office, T170. For more information click on the weblink below: [https://econnect.dcccd.edu/econnect/st/stmenu.html](https://econnect.dcccd.edu/econnect/st/stmenu.html)

   **ADA Statement:**
   If you are a student with a disability and/or special needs who requires accommodations, please contact the college Disability Services Office.

   **Religious Holidays:**
   Absences for observance of a religious holy day are excused. A student must notify the professor before the absence.

   **Academic Dishonesty:**
Scholastic dishonesty is a violation of the Code of Student Conduct. Scholastic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating on a test, plagiarism, and collusion. As a college student, you are considered a responsible adult. Your enrollment indicates acceptance of the DCCCD Code of Student Conduct published in the DCCCD Catalog at http://www1.dcccd.edu/cat0506/ss/code.cfm

Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating on tests, plagiarism and collusion. **Cheating** includes copying from another student’s test or homework paper, using materials not authorized, collaborating with or seeking aid from another student during a test, knowingly using, buying, selling, stealing, or soliciting the contents of an unadministered test, and substituting for another person to take a test. **Plagiarism** is the appropriating, buying, receiving as a gift, or obtaining by any means another’s work and the unacknowledged submission or incorporation of it in one’s own written work. **Collusion** is the unauthorized collaboration with another person in preparing written work for fulfillment of course requirements. Academic dishonesty is a serious offense in college. You can be given a failing grade on an assignment or test, can be failed for the class, or you can even be suspended from college.

**Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA)**
In compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), the College may release information classified as “directory information” to the general public without the written consent of the student. Directory information includes: (1) student name, (2) student address, (3) telephone numbers, (4) date and place of birth, (5) weight and height of members of athletic teams, (6) participation in officially recognized activities and sports, (7) dates of attendance, (8) educational institution most recently attended, and (9) other similar information, including major field of student and degrees and awards received. Students may protect their directory information at any time during the academic year. If no request is filed, directory information is released upon written inquiry. No telephone inquiries are acknowledged. No transcript or academic record is released without written consent from the student, except as specified by law.

**Eastfield College Email Policy**

Faculty and students must have and use a DCCCD account for all correspondence relating to academic coursework. For information on setting up a DCCCD student email account go to: http://www.dcccd.edu/netmail/home.html