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Course Description

PSYC 2301 Introduction to Psychology (3)
This is a common course number.  Former course prefix/number PSY 101.
Prerequisite: Developmental Reading 0093 or English as a Second Language (ESOL) 0044 or have met the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) standard in Reading Introduction to Psychology surveys major topics in the study of behavior.  Factors which determine and affect behavior are examined.  Psychological principles are applied to the human experience. (3 Lec.)

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Coordinating Board Academic Approval Number 4201015225

Course Objective:

a.  To examine some of the many psychological alternatives individuals have and the way they have gone about dealing with those alternatives.
b.  To broaden our view of understanding human behavior.
c.  To survey the many avenues applied in psychology.
d.  To have an understanding of theories and concepts.
Required Books and Software:

1. **REAL WORLD PSYCHOLOGY** by Huffman ‘ Sanderson 1st Edition
2. WILEYPLUS software.
   1. **Option 1:** Real World Psychology by Huffman’ Sanderson 1st Edition. A code comes with your new text (only available in loose leaf approx. $ 121 ) at no additional charge if bought at the Brookhaven Book Store on campus or The Brookhaven Book Store off campus. You may also order directly from Wiley. This will enable you to register online and complete quizzes and assignments which will be due and required prior to each test.
   2. **Option 2:** If you purchase a used text then you will need to purchase the WileyPlus access code at the book store for approx. $75.
   3. **Option 3:** If you want to simply purchase the WileyPlus for approx. $92 this comes with a text but it is only online.

This course requires that you have access to a computer with Windows 98 or newer. You may also use an Apple computer with MacOSX or newer. You will need to have the Microsoft program Word. You will also have to be able to get on the internet and have the ability to download files. You may use your own computer or there are computers in the library, J-lab, and various other places on campus that you can use to go online in order to do your assignments and tests if you do not have access to a computer at home.

The following part of the syllabus will be about deadlines, dates to remember and what we will cover in this class the next few weeks. I want to remind you that even though I have written the syllabus for Psychology 2301, **I have the right to change this syllabus in any way I choose … now or later.**

Grading

Your grade will be based on a system of 1000 points. There are ‘required’ activities that you will complete to get your points (see below). You will take 5 tests worth 100 points each and a comprehensive Final Exam worth 200 points. WilyPlus exercises will be worth 293 points. **The grading system is an important concept for you to understand.** If you do understand it, you will know exactly what your grade is at any time during the semester.

Grades will be as follows:

900 to 1,000 points = A  
800 to 899 points = B  
700 to 799 points = C  
600 to 699 points = D  
Below 600 points = F
WileyPlus Online Account Registration (This is required.)

Video of how to register
https://www.wileyplus.com/WileyCDA/resources-and-support/students/register.html

Video of Orion which is in WileyPlus:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eQr2hMytyX0

In order to register for the online part of this course, you will need a WileyPlus Access Code. To get this, you can either purchase a new version of the required text for this course and the WileyPlus Access code comes with it OR you can purchase the WileyPlus alone at either of the book stores or online.

Follow these steps to register for WileyPlus:

Your class will need to click on the blue url to register for

Psyc. 2301 # 23400 and/or # 93408 to register for WileyPlus:

http://edugen.wiley.com/edugen/class/cls430491/

1) Click the blue url to REGISTER link above.
2) It will say…Wiley is no longer active. Find the “click here” phrase and click on it.
3) Click the blue url to REGISTER link above.
4) Click on Register for new class.
5) Click “Get Started” and enter.
6) Enter school name.
7) Select by instructor or course.
8) Click box next to course.
9) Go to log in and click to register.
10) Enter your email address.
11) Complete the rest of your personal info (write down your username and password - it will also be emailed to you!)
12) You’ve just set up a WileyPlus account. Click the SUBMIT link.
13) Enter the code that came with your new text, or buy one online by clicking on the following links: PURCHASE ONE HERE > REGISTER CODE FOR WILEY PLUS > PSYCHOLOGY > REAL WORLD PSYCHOLOGY by Huffman Sanderson 1st Edition. Then fill in the school info and proceed to checkout.
14) After you have registered or bought WileyPlus, you will want to make sure it works.
15) Then go to http://www.wileyplus.com/ and login with the username and password you chose when registering.
16) After you get logged in…up on the left… you should see your name, your section number and your instructor’s name.
17) You have now succeeded in registering and/or logging in.

When in WileyPlus, you will click on Assignments. The Chapter Exercises, Practice Tests, Animations and or Matching will be there under Assignments. For each Chapter, log in to the WileyPlus site. Go to assignments and finish the assignments for each chapter.

You must do each of the exercises for each chapter assignment before that chapters test and answer for full credit.

You will have 2 chances to get the answer correct for each exercise. If you miss the correct answer twice, you will get no points for that question.

If you miss the deadline (11 PM the night before the test) as listed in the syllabus for any of the exercises, you will still be able to do the exercise however, you will lose 50% of the points allocated for that question.

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Online Chapter Assignments and Orion:

WileyPlus is a Workbook with assignments as listed below which cover each chapter in the book and help you learn the material for your tests.

Orion is a personal, adaptive learning experience. It will help you build your proficiency, learning each chapter more effectively. This new learning tool will test you and retest you so that the material in each chapter will become easier to remember.

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If you do the exercises (assignments) in WileyPlus, with 2 opportunities to get each question right, you could earn 293 pts. toward your final grade. If you do Orion and make 100%, you could add another 300 pts. to your WileyPlus assignments. If you do Orion and make 75%, you could add 225 pts. to your WileyPlus assignment points. If you do Orion and make 50%, you could add 150 pts. to your WileyPlus assignment points. The way you get your grade is by adding the points you get from WileyPlus and Orion to the points you get from all of your tests (up to 700 points depending on how you do on your tests) and any extra credit points you may have received. Therefore 900 points total out of 1293 possible points plus any extra credit would give you an A. If you do not do any of the Orion assignments but receive a perfect score on your WileyPlus exercises (293 pts.) and a perfect score on your tests (700 pts), you could make as much as 993 points plus whatever you make on your extra credit.

**One scenario>>>**

If you get 50% of all your test questions right (realizing you may not be a good test taker) this is 350 pts. Then you get 50% of your WileyPlus assignments correct (realizing you have no time to do WileyPlus) this is 97 points for WileyPlus. Then you do 50% of your Orion work (this would come out to 150 pts.) and you do some of the extra credit work options. Now your points earned would be 600 points. Class attendance and participation makes a big difference also.

**The key to passing this class is perseverance. There is no reason to fail this class. There are many options to pass.**

Orientation Quiz…10 pts due September 15

- **Test 1:** Chapters 1, 6 and 11... 100 pts
- **Test 2:** Chapters 2, 3 and 4……100 pts
- **Test 3:** Chapters 5,. 7 and 8 … 100 pts
- **Test 4:** Chapter 9, 10 and 12 … 100 pts
- **Test 5:** Chapters 13, 14 and 15….100 pts.
**Final Exam Chapters 1 through 15…200 pts**

Total your points as we go and you can tell where you are and how many points you will need to make the grade you want.

**Intro to Discussion Questions… 10 pts due September 16**

Discussion Questions: **FOR EXTRA CREDIT**
#1, 5 points, due Jan. 31
#2, 5 points, due Feb. 10
#3, 5 points, due Feb. 20
#4, 5 points, due March 2
#5, 5 points, due March 12
#6, 5 points, due March 21

**Discussion Questions for all but the first Orientation Discussion Question are for extra credit only! They are worth 5 points each. Feel free to have an ongoing conversation with any of your INET classmates. Enjoy your learning experience.**

**ACADEMIC HONESTY**

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](http://www1.dcccd.edu/cat0506/ss/code.cfm)

**Withdrawal Date must be observed by March 2, 2015 by 5 pm**

Withdrawning from a course prior is a formal procedure that YOU must initiate. I usually cannot do it for you. You may do this in Admissions, room # S-052, 972-860-4883 or Advising, room S-113, 972-860-4830. If you stop attending, it would be better to withdraw provided it is before the drop date of March 2, 2015 by 5pm. If you don’t withdraw and continue in the course not participating in class then you will receive a performance grade of an "F" for the class.

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**Core Curriculum Intellectual Competencies for PSYC 2301**

Reading - the ability to analyze and interpret a variety of printed materials - books, documents, and articles - above 12th grade level.
Writing - the ability to produce clear, correct and coherent prose adapted to purpose, occasion and audience - above 12th grade level.
Speaking - the ability to communicate orally in clear, coherent, and persuasive language appropriate to purpose, occasion, and audience above 12th grade level.
Listening - analyze and interpret various forms of spoken communication, possess sufficient literacy skills of writing, reading - above 12th grade level.
Critical thinking and analyze at a critical level.
Computer Literacy- understand our technological society, use computer -based technology in communication, solving problems and acquiring information.

Exemplary Educational Objectives for PSYC 2301
To employ the appropriate methods, technologies, and data that social and behavioral scientists use to investigate the human condition.
To examine social institutions and processes across a range of historical periods, social structures, and cultures.
To use and critique alternative explanatory systems or theories.
To develop and communicate alternative explanations or solutions for contemporary social issues.
To analyze the effects of historical, social, political, economic, cultural, and global forces on the area under study.
To differentiate and analyze historical evidence (documentary and statistical) and differing points of view.
To recognize and apply reasonable criteria for the acceptability of historical evidence and social research.
To recognize and assume one's responsibility as a citizen in a democratic society by learning to think for oneself, by engaging in public discourse, and by obtaining information through the news media and other appropriate information sources about politics and public policy.
To identify and understand differences and commonalities within diverse cultures.

Americans With Disabilities Act Compliance
If you are a student with a disability and/or special needs who requires ADA accommodations, please contact your college Disability/Special Service Office in Room S-124, phone 972-860-4847.

Notification of Absence Due to Religious Holy Day(s):
Students desiring to observe a religious holy day, which will result in a class absence, must notify me in writing, (see address on front page) for each class no later than the 15th calendar day after the first class day of the semester in which the absence will occur.

Financial Aid Statement
Students who are receiving any form of financial aid, should check with the Financial Aid Office, room # S-015, phone 972-860-4110, 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.

For FERPA statement copy and paste the link below:

https://www1.dcccd.edu/catalog/about/privacy.cfm?loc=2

REPEATING THIS 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 additional tuition to be charged. Developmental Studies and some other courses will not be charged a higher tuition rate. Third attempts include courses taken at any of the Dallas County Community Colleges since the Fall 2002 Semester. See Third Attempt to Enroll in a Course at http://www.dcccd.edu/thirdcourseattempt/

General Statements

The Instructor has the right to add, delete, or reverse any material required for this course. *Evaluation in this course is objective and subjective! An incomplete or the grade of "I" presents problems for both the student and the instructor and should be avoided if at all possible.

Should you have an emergency, and miss a test then you will need to make contact with me within a week in order to be eligible to complete your assignment or take any examination that you have missed.

Office Hours and Appointments

It is easy to set up an appointment with me. Simply call me sometime during the day. If I am not there then leave a message and try my cell phone 469-767-6866, if no answer, leave a message. If after 2 or three hours you have not heard back from me then leave another message. It is my intention to always call you back.

The worst way to make an appointment with me is to look at my office hours on the door. During those times I may have a student scheduled already or may be very involved in something else and you would have to wait. So, call me in advance in order to set an appointment. Office: 972-860-4149 or cell: 469-767-6866.

ELIMINATION OF GRADE MAILERS
Students will be able to retrieve their final grades online through the Internet on the DCCCD eConnect website. Students who do not have Internet access at home or work may also access their grades by using the drop-in computer labs at various college locations. Students may select the Student Menu, click on My Personal Information, and scroll down to My Grades. Students may request official academic transcripts free of charge at the Admissions Office. Student advising reports (an unofficial document, which includes a history of their DCCCD coursework, grades, GPA, and academic standing) are also available from both the Academic Advising Office and the Admissions Office.

This is a time consuming course that you must not procrastinate on. You have a very good chance of making an A if you do the work involved. A very important part of your grade is your WileyPlus Electronic Work Book. There are very specific deadlines where you must finish the day before the test. I have done this so that you will use the WileyPlus Work Book to gain knowledge and study. Explore the workbook. There are many helpful aids there as well as some power point slides that I use in my lecture classes. You can find these at the end of the “Read, Write, and Practice”.

**Frequently Asked Questions**

**How can I earn extra credit?**

There are several opportunities during the semester to earn extra credit. Unfortunately, if you wait until the end of the course then the opportunity to earn extra credit no longer exists.

1. **What can I do if the grade posted is different from the grade I believe I made?**

   Set appointment with Dr. Garza or phone 469-767-6866 cell and discuss the issue.

2. **What can I do if I have a complaint about the course, the way it is taught or the teacher?**

   Best thing to do is always talk to the teacher first. If you are not satisfied with your conversation with the teacher, your next step would be to talk to the Dean of the Social Science Department. His name is Mr. Sam Govea, room K- 242, phone is 972-860-4216.

3. **What if I am sick and/or have a family emergency and cannot do my work?**
Call or email your teacher within the week before the assignment is due. WileyPlus deadlines cannot be changed. With this in mind...do the exercises early. Office is K-208 and phone is 972-860-4149.

mkgarza@dcccd.edu

4. Can the teacher drop me from the class giving me a W rather than me getting an F if I missed the withdrawal date?

No!

5. Wouldn’t it be cheaper to buy a book from a fellow student, the Half Price book store, E-bay, Amazon, or some place on the Internet? Maybe but you may end up not having the access code to the WileyPlus.

6. May I text you?
   Yes. It is imperative that you include your name, class, section # in your text as I have several classes and several hundred students that I am teaching at the same time

7. May I e-mail you? Yes. Include your name, name of course, section # and I will answer you within 24 hours.

8. Will I have a chance to meet with you if I want to?
   Yes.