Introduction to Psychology 2301- #23414 INET

Syllabus

23414 Spring Semester

March 20 to May 11, 2017

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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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.

WileyPlus is a Workbook that has the text printed with it. There are questions on each chapter, which will help you study for the test. I will assign some of the questions for each chapter, which will count toward your final grade. There is also some very nice practice.

Option 1: Real World Psychology by Huffman’ Sanderson 1st Edition.

A code comes with your new text (only available in loose leaf approx. $134) at no additional charge. Your access code to WileyPlus comes with it if bought at the Brookhaven Book Store on campus. As I understand it, the school has a contract with the Brookhaven Book Store that only they can sell the WileyPlus software, and only from the Brookhaven Book Store can you get the new book with the software together at a reduced price. This will enable you to register online and complete assignments which will be due and required prior to each test.

Option 2: If you purchase a used text, then you will need to purchase the WileyPlus access code at the bookstore for approx. $113.

Option 3: If you want to simply purchase the WileyPlus and its code for approx. $113 at the bookstore this comes with a text that is online and can be accessed from anywhere.

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 if you do not have access to a computer at home.
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 exams worth 100 points each, and a comprehensive Final worth 200 points. I will drop your lowest exam score of the 5 exams you are required to take. WilyPlus exercises will be worth approximately 400 points. The grading system is an important concept for you to understand. If you do understand it then 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  Exams= 400 (I will take your 4 highest grades)
- 800 to 899 points = B  Final Exam= 200
- 700 to 799 points = C  WilyPlus= 400
- 600 to 699 points = D  Orion is included
- Below 600 points = F  Discussion Questions= 50

Extra credit = under Announcements

WileyPlus Online Account Registration (This is required.)

You are required to register for a WileyPlus account to complete necessary assignments. Remember, the WileyPlus assignments are worth approximately 40% of your grade.

Your class will need to click on the blue url to register for
Psyc. 2301-23414 and register for WileyPlus:

http://edugen.wiley.com/edugen/class/cls572449/

1) Click the blue url to REGISTER link above.
2) Follow their instructions.
3) Their instructions should look like what follows.
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.

If you have a code you can do the following:

13) Enter the code that came with your new text, 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 can do each of the exercises for each chapter assignment before that chapters test and receive 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 (11:45 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.

Be sure that you do these exercises and watch your due dates!

Online Chapter Assignments and Orion:

WileyPlus is a Workbook with assignments, 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. Orion can be very helpful if you choose to do it. You must do at least 30 questions per chapter for it to count.

Missing a test:

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

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 ........100 pts.
Final: Chapters 1 through 14...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. Remember, I will drop your lowest test grade of the 5 Tests, but not your Final.

Above 900 points = A
Above 800 points = B
Above 700 points = C
Above 600 points = D
Below 600 points = F

Discussion Questions or on your ecampus 10 points each
#1, Due dates are posted on the discussion board
#2, Due date is posted on the discussion board
#3, Due date is posted on the discussion board
#4. Due date is posted on the discussion board
#5 Due date is posted on the discussion board
Discussion Questions cannot be turned in late. Feel free to have an ongoing conversation with any of your INET classmates. Enjoy that experience.

http://alt.brookhavencollege.edu/employees/faculty/Documents/BCSyllabus_Addendum.pdf

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

Withdrawal Date is 4/25/2017.

Withdrawing from a course prior is a formal procedure which 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. If you don’t withdraw, and just continue in the course not participating in class, you will receive a performance grade of an "F" for the class.

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Office Hours for INet classes: by appointment only

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:

1. 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?

   Call Dr. Garza first at 469-767-6866 cell and discuss the
1. What can I do if I have a complaint about the course, the way it is taught or the teacher?

The best thing to do is always talk to the teacher first. If you are not satisfied with your conversation with the teacher then your next step would be to talk to the Dean of the Social Science Division Office. His name is Mr. Sam Govea and his office is in K 242 and his phone is 972-860-4216.

1. What if I am sick and/or have a family emergency and cannot do my work?

Call my cell is 469-767-6866.

Email: mkgarza@dcccd.edu

1. 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!

1. 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?

Yes, but remember you need the WileyPlus (electronic workbook) and will have to buy that from the book store.

1. May I text you?

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

May I e-mail you?

Yes. Include your name, name of course, section# and I will answer you within 24 hours if possible. Using the button on the left of the opening page is easiest.
1. Will I have a chance to meet with you if I want to?

Yes. Call me first and if that is not satisfactory, we will make an appointment.

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- understands 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): for lecture classes only

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 please copy and paste the following link:

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.