

Short Syllabus



Course Title

Introduction to Psychology

Lecturer

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Semester

Fall 2021

Short Description

This course serves as an introduction to the field of psychology. It will include an overview of most of the common topics in psychology, including: human development, perception, learning & memory, intelligence, abnormal psychology, and others. We will discuss relations between the brain, behavior, and experience. The course will focus on both theory and research in each area, as well as how it applies to everyday life.

Final grade components

Minor assignments:

There will be four short homework assignments over the semester related to the readings. **30% of the course grade.**

Midterm:

Midterm exam. 18% of course grade.

Final requirement:

Final paper on a current topic in psychology. The paper will be 8-10 double-spaced pages (2000-2500 words). Submission dates are set by the university and the Liberal Arts program and must be respected. **42% of the course grade**

Participation:

Participation is based on Perusall score. 10% of course grade

Attendance

Attendance is mandatory. Students are permitted a maximum of three absences without penalty. Any additional absences will affect the final grade and may result in failure of the course.

Academic Conduct

Plagiarism is taken extremely seriously. Any instance of academic misconduct which includes: submitting someone else's work as your own; failure to accurately cite sources; taking words from another source without using quotation marks; submission of work for which you have previously received credit; working in a group for individual assignments; using unauthorized materials in an



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exam and sharing your work with other students, will result in failure of the assignment and will likely lead to further disciplinary measures.

Additional requirements

Students are requested to keep their cell phones on silent and out of the way during class.