

PSYCHOLOGY**PSY 100****Psychology of Personal Adjustment (3)**

Investigation of bio-social factors which influence human behavior with emphasis on: (1) development of physical, mental, emotional, social and spiritual well-being; (2) personal responsibility for one's life-style and the consequences that flow from one's choices. (This course cannot be used as a prerequisite for other psychology courses.)

3 Class Hours

PSY 110**General Psychology (3)**

Definition and description of psychology. Topics may include functions of neural system, sensation and perception, learning, memory, motivation, emotion, intelligence, personality, social psychology. Methods and statistical applications, history and fields of psychology.

3 Class Hours

PSY 210**Human Development (3)**

Human development from conception through childhood, adolescence, and adulthood. Intellectual growth, personal and social adjustment, the relationship between physical and mental development, and typical problems in various states of the life-cycle are considered. Especially for Nursing students.

3 Class Hours Prerequisite: PSY 110 General Psychology.

PSY 211**Child Development (3)**

The growth, maturation and development of children, including mental and motor phases, learning, motivation and personality formation.

3 Class Hours; Prerequisite: PSY 110 General Psychology.

PSY 212**Adolescent Development (3)**

The developmental tasks of the adolescent years, including physical, cognitive, social, emotional, and moral growth, with considerations from cross-cultural research.

3 Class Hours; Prerequisite: PSY 110 General Psychology.

PSY 214**Abnormal Psychology (3)**

Survey of the normal and abnormal personality with special emphasis on certain causal factors pertaining to maladaptive behavior. A general framework for understanding abnormal behavior patterns, including common misconceptions, accepted definitions, and the classification of mental disorders.

3 Class Hours; Prerequisite: PSY 110 General Psychology.

PSY 217**Introduction to Counseling Theory and Practice (3)**

Varied methods of counseling, employing current theories, situational examples and means for determination of method to be used. Practical cases in social sciences, clinics, hospitals, and educational institutions. Overall training and personality of the counselor.

3 Class Hours; Prerequisite: PSY 110 General Psychology.

PSY 223**Human Exceptionality and Its Assessment (3)**

PSY 223 is a survey of human exceptionalities: attention will be focused on the problems, etiologies (causes), and expectancies of exceptional people in their communities, at school, and at home. Topics include persons with learning disabilities, attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorders, emotional disabilities, mental retardation, autism, and people who are gifted, talented, and creative. Special consideration is given to intelligence testing and the placement of atypical learners in special education and inclusive school settings.

2 Class Hours; Prerequisite: PSY 110 General Psychology

PSY 227**Learning and Behavior (3)**

A study and survey of the development and especially the application of practical approaches to behavior management and change based on modern learning theories. Special attention will be given to the application of principles of operant and classical learning to all social milieus including behavior change at home, school, rehabilitative, corrective and recreational institutions, and other social settings. Self-control techniques are also discussed.

3 Class Hours; Prerequisite: PSY 110 General Psychology.

PSY 230**Psychology of Women (3)**

A course focusing on the scientific study of female behavior, personality, and the biological, psychological and cultural determinants of women's roles in society.

3 Class Hours; Prerequisite: PSY 110 General Psychology.

PSY 234**Psychology of Addictions (3)**

An overview of the psychology and psychophysiology of the brain and addictions. Addictions to food, alcohol, sex, gambling, psychopharmaceuticals, over-the-counter medications, and street drugs are introduced. The impact of the addiction cycle on the individual, the family, and society is explored.

3 Class Hours; Prerequisite: PSY 110 General Psychology.

PSY 240**Psychology of Advertising (3)**

Emphasizes the psychological dimensions of advertising as a basis for attracting and retaining consumer awareness of products, companies, and services. Learning, drive and motivation, and communication theories, as they pertain to the diffusion of media advertising messages, are examined and analyzed using television, radio, print, and Internet media.

3 Class Hours; Prerequisite: PSY 110 General Psychology.

PSY 245**Social Psychology (3)**

The scientific study of social influences on human behavior. Course emphasizes both the experimental and interpersonal perspectives. Topics include: social influence, attitudes, group behavior, social perception, social cognition, social exchange, aggression, and interpersonal attraction.

3 Class Hours; Prerequisite: PSY 110 General Psychology.

PSY 299**Independent Study (1-3)**

An individual student project in psychology which is beyond the scope or requirements of the courses offered by the department, conducted under the direction of a faculty member and approved by the department chairperson.

Prerequisites: PSY 110 General Psychology plus 3 additional hours in a 200 level PSY course.