

General Psychology
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M-Th 12:30-2:20pm, MU-210

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Textbook:

Kalat, J. W. (2014). *Introduction to Psychology* (10th ed.). Belmont, CA: Wadsworth Cengage Learning. The text is available at the CAC bookstore.

Course Description:

Psychology is the scientific study of human behavior and experience. The purpose of this course is to provide an overview of the major areas of psychology. Topics will include research methods, biological psychology, sensation and perception, developmental psychology, learning and memory, cognition, intelligence, consciousness, emotions, social psychology, personality psychology, and abnormal and clinical psychology. In addition to textbook reading, we will also address current work and debates in the field.

Website:

Announcements, grades, lectures, and the most-up-to-date version of the syllabus will be posted on Sakai. Please check the website frequently for any announcements regarding syllabus changes, class cancellations, etc.

Grading:

Grades will be based on class attendance, participation, and three exams. The breakdown will be as follows:

Attendance/Participation	15%	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Exam 1	25%	A	90.0-100.0%
Exam 2	25%	B+	85.0 - 89.9%
Exam 3	35%	B	80.0 – 84.9%
		C+	75.0 – 79.9%
		C	70.0 – 74.9%
		D	60.0 – 69.9%
		F	0.0 - 59.9%

Attendance/Participation: I will take attendance at the beginning of most classes. In order to receive a good attendance grade, you must not only show up to class but actively participate in class discussions.

Exams: There will be three exams assessing your understanding of the material we have covered up to that point. The final exam will be mostly non-cumulative but may contain a cumulative component. Details to follow.

Make-up Exams: In order to be granted the opportunity to take a make-up exam, documentation is required. Excluding extenuating circumstances, make-up exams must be taken within two class periods following your absence.

Cheating/ Plagiarism: Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated. Students should familiarize themselves with the University's academic integrity policy (<http://academicintegrity.rutgers.edu/>). If I suspect a student of cheating, I will have to report him or her to the Disciplinary Panel. I take cheating very seriously and so does the University.

Students with disabilities: Students who need accommodation for a physical or learning disability should contact the Office of Disability Services (151 College Ave, Suite 123; phone 732-932-2848) and read more about Rutgers' policy at <http://disabilityservices.rutgers.edu/>. If you request accommodations for this course, you will need a letter from Disability Services. This letter must be provided to me *during the first week of class*, at which point you may make a request for course-specific accommodations. The Chair of Undergraduate Psychology and I will review your request and may choose to modify it before it is approved.

Office Hours: Students with questions are encouraged to talk to me during or after class. I am also available to meet with students during my office hours (Wednesdays at 3:00, by appointment). If you are having difficulty in the course, PLEASE arrange to talk to me ASAP. It is much easier to address any confusion early rather than at the end of the session when grades are due.

This course schedule is tentative. Any changes will be announced and posted on the website.

Date	Topic	Readings
May 27	What is psychology?	Ch. 1
May 28	Research Methods	Ch. 2
May 29	Biological Psychology	Ch. 3
June 2	Sensation and Perception	Ch. 4
June 3	Human Development	Ch. 5
June 4	Wrap-Up & Review	
June 5	EXAM 1 (Chapters 1-5)	

June 9	Learning	Ch. 6
June 10	Memory	Ch. 7
June 11	Cognition	Ch. 8
June 12	Social Cognition	
June 16	Intelligence	Ch. 9
June 17	Consciousness	Ch. 10
June 18	EXAM 2 (Chapters 6-10)	
June 19	Motivation	Ch. 11
June 23	Emotions, Stress, & Health	Ch. 12
June 24	Social Psych Part I	Ch. 13
June 25	Social Psych Part II	
June 26	Personality	Ch. 14
June 30	Abnormality, Therapy, & Social Issues	Ch. 15
July 1	Specific Disorders & Treatments	Ch. 16
July 2	Wrap-Up & Review	
July 3	EXAM 3 (Chapters 11-16)	