



Welcome to ITV - The Week-End College!

You are enrolled in:

Psychology 1 (7035) (UC: CSU) 3 Units

Psychology: The Human Experience

Survey course introducing modern psychology by presenting scientific and humanistic interpretations of the human mind and behavior. Topics to be covered are: biological bases of behavior, perception, learning, personality and social influences.

The Weekend College classes combine video lessons and online activities with weekend class meetings. You should complete all three components to successfully pass the class. The course requirements are in the online syllabus. If you have questions contact your instructor via email or by telephone during their office hours listed above.

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Office Hours
Wednesdays & Thursdays 4:00 – 7:00 PM

Getting Started

Although the first class meeting is not until the weekend of September 5 & 6, the class officially begins online Monday, August 31, 2009. Follow the checklist below to get started in your class now.

1. Choose a Campus

Select the campus to attend your weekend class and make note of its time and location.

2. Buy Your Books

The back of this page lists the required and recommend books for your course. Buy your books as soon as possible so that you can get started on your assigned readings. Textbooks can be purchased at City, Southwest, Mission, Valley, and Pierce Colleges or from most online bookstores.

3. Log In

The class website opens **Aug.31**, log in and read your course syllabus. It will list all assignments and quizzes times and due dates. You can find log in instructions on the last page of this letter.

4. Email Your Instructor

Once you have logged in, email your instructor and let her know that you have successfully logged in to the class website.

5. Plan Your Schedule

Weekend College courses are fast paced—covering a lot of material in eight weeks. At a minimum, students expect to spend 16 hours per week on the class. Schedule time in advance for reading the textbooks, watching the video episodes and completing the online assignments. If you plan to watch or record the videos on the educational cable channel LA 36, note those times and set your Tivo or DVD recorder in advance. The broadcast schedule is on the back of this page.

Classroom Location Schedule

Attend class at any one of the four campuses: L.A. City, L.A. Pierce, L.A. Southwest or L.A. Valley College. The instructor teaches at all four locations.

Day	Campus	Time	Location
Saturday	L.A. Southwest College	9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon	Lecture Lab., Rm. 214
	L.A. City College	1:30 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.	DaVinci Hall, Rm. 307
Sunday	L.A. Valley College	9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon	Foreign Language Bldg., Rm. 108
	L.A. Pierce College	1:30 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.	Pierce Village, Rm. 8112

Attendance at the class meetings is expected.
If you fail to attend, you may be dropped from class.

Fall 2009 CALENDAR

August 31 – October 25, 2009

Important Dates and Deadlines

Semester Begins	Aug. 31
Last Day to Drop or Change Classes	Sept. 5
<i>(without Incurring Fees)</i>	
Cablecasts Begin on Cable Channel LA 36	Sept. 10
Last Day to ADD Classes	Sept. 11
Last Day to Drop Classes Without a "W"	Sept. 16
<i>(no refund)</i>	
Last Day to File for Credit/No Credit	Sept. 23
Last Day to Drop with a "W"	Oct. 11
<i>(After this date a grade must be issued)</i>	

Class Meeting Schedule

Class Meeting	Sept. 5 & 6
Class Meeting	Sept. 12 & 13
Class Meetings.....	Sept. 19 & 20
Midterms Exams.....	Sept. 26 & 27
Class Meeting	Oct. 3 & 4
Class Meeting	Oct. 10 & 11
Class Meeting	Oct. 17 & 18
Final Exams.....	Oct. 24 & 25

A photo ID is required to take exams.

Textbook

Required:

Title: Discovering Psychology
Author: Hockenbury, Don H.; Hockenbury, Sandra E.
Edition: 4/E, 2007 (Paperback)
Publisher: Worth Publishers
ISBN: 978-0-7167-7661-1

Recommended:

Title: Psychology: The Easy Way
Author: Nancy Melucci
Edition: 1/E, 2004
Publisher: Barron's Publishing
ISBN: 978-0-76-412393-1



Textbooks are available in the college libraries. Most libraries have the texts on Reserve, (two hour use, in the library) some libraries have copies in the General Collection. Individual Library Policies apply and they may be different at each campus. Generally, students must have a valid student ID *for the campus they intend to use*, to check out or use library materials. For example, to check out books from Pierce College Library students must have a valid Pierce College Student ID. Students who enrolled only in ITV classes may obtain a Mission College ID through the Admissions Office at Mission College.

Video

Psychology: The Human Experience

Four Ways to Watch the Videos

1. Available on the Los Angeles Educational Channel, LA 36. The broadcast schedule is:
Thursdays, Sept. 10 – Oct. 22 @ 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon
2. Purchase a complete set of the DVD's from the Pierce or Mission College Bookstore:
www.piercecollege.edu or www.lamission.edu
3. Available in Broadband at: www.lamission.edu/ITV
4. Watch the video lessons in the Learning Resource Centers at any of the LACCD Colleges. You must bring your fee receipt to view the videos.

Greetings!

Have you ever wondered?

Why do I take the same way to work every day?

Why I seem to get involved with the same type of partner time and again?

Why are they printing instructions and directions in consistently smaller type?

Why is that person over there wearing cut off shorts, cowboy boots and night goggles?

If you answered yes to any of the above, you are definitely in the right class. As psychology is the scientific study of behavior and mental processes, this is THE course entirely about you. General Psychology is an introduction to psychology course. Unfortunately, this class can cover only the tip of the psychological iceberg (to borrow from Freud). We cannot cover everything in depth, but there are entire courses devoted to each area so you may explore any specific area more completely. My goal for you is that you will learn more about your actions and those of others.

This will be a fast-paced class that covers the entire textbook. We will be able to do this through website activities, participating in 8 (only 2 months) of face to face meetings once per week and through watching a powerful video series. These three formats intertwine and help you retain more information than you would have thought possible.

This class begins on August 31, 2009. You will be allowed into the website at that time. Please familiarize yourself with the navigation of the course and begin your First Assignment labeled "Self Introduction". Make sure you have completed each step of your first assignment prior to the first class. If you have any problems, just ask in the chat room or send me a message through the site. If I can help you get started, please send me an email at chrisstudents@yahoo.com and I will do everything in my power to help you.

I look forward to working with you.

Best,



Chris Evans, M.A.
Instructor

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Online Class Website

Step 1. Where do I go to log on to this course?

- Go to <http://etudes-ng.fhda.edu/portal>
- Bookmark this page!
- Enter your user ID

Step 2. What is my User ID?

In lowercase letters and with no spaces:

- use the first 2 letters of your first name
- *and* the first 2 letters of your last name
- *and* the last 5-digits of your student ID #

Example: Donna Smith:

Student ID #: 88 455 6789

User ID:

My User ID is: _____

Step 3. What is my Password?

Using four numbers together with no spaces:

- use two numbers for your birth month
- *and* use two numbers for the birth day

Example: if your birth date was January 3

Password:

My Password is: _____

Once you have logged in you will see the sections on the top left of the page, My Workspace and on the right, your class website which begins with LAMCITYV. Click on the tab to enter the course. See the example below:



E-mail your instructor once you have successfully logged in to the course website.

NOTE TO AOL USERS: Launch either an Internet Explorer, Netscape or Firefox browser after you connect using AOL and minimize the AOL Browser. DO NOT USE THE AOL BROWSER.

Add/Drop Classes & Check Grades

Forms for adding/dropping a class or requesting an official transcript can be found at www.lamission.edu/itv. These forms can be faxed to (818) 833-3598 or brought in to our office.

To Add/Drop a class and check Official Grades online, visit www.laccd.edu.

To Add/Drop classes through the Student Telephone Enrollment Process (STEP):

1. Call (213) 689-8888 or (310) 605-0505 or (323) 226-1999 or (818) 988-2222
2. Press 0 for ITV/The Weekend College
3. Follow the instructions to complete your request

We're here to Help

If you need technical assistance logging in to your course, contact ITV Technical Support at (818) 833-3596 or send an email to mckennpg@lamission.edu. Be sure to include:

- Your full name
- Course title and instructor
- Student ID
- Your phone and e-mail address
- Date enrolled