

Los Angeles Mission College

Fall Semester 2013

Psychology 1 – Course 0420

Monday and Wednesday 7:15a.m. – 8:40a.m

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday 6:00 p.m. - 6:45p.m. In the instructional building cubicle 41 or by appointment

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Text: *The World of Psychology* by S. Wood, E. Wood, D. Boyd seventh edition

Description: This introductory psychology course covers biological foundations of behavior, various theoretical perspectives including learning, personality, and intelligence theories as well as experimental and research methodology.

Objective: Master the process of *critical thinking* while *learning about, relating to, and understanding* psychological principals and theories.

Student learning outcomes are as follow:

1. Students will be able to identify and explain one of the four goals of psychology.
2. Students will be able demonstrate knowledge of parts of the brain and nervous system.
3. Students will be able to analyze psychological disorders, their causes and treatment options.
4. Students will be able to compare and contrast two theories of psychological development.

Each assignment is to be completed individually (without assistance) and reflect your understanding of the subject matter.

Requirements:

Participation and Attendance (64 pts.) of your grade will be determined by a combination of your attendance, verbal participation in class discussions and written assignments. Written assignments are due on the date indicated and will not be accepted after due.

Exams (100 pts) of your grade will be determined by your performance on two exams. There will be no make-up exams. Exams will be multiple-choice, essay, true and false.

Midterm (50 pts) of your grade will be determined by your performance on a multiple choice Midterm exam, 50 questions.

Final (100pts) of your grade will be determined by your performance on a multiple choice Final exam of 50 questions.

Total 314pts

Please place any written assignments in a floppy folder (not a three ring binder) and turn it in. Please use a scantron #882(green), #2 pencils and bring an eraser to all exams.

Evaluation:

A-314-289points

B- 288-263 Points

C-248-237 Points

D- 236-211Points

F-210 and Below

Individual extra credit is not available. At my discretion I may offer extra credit to the entire class.

Schedule of Classes

8/26, 8/28	Chapter 1 Introduction to Psychology (overview)
9/2	Holiday (no school)
9/4, 9/9	Chapter 1 Introduction to Psychology
9/11, 9/16	Chapter 2 Biology & Behavior
9/18, 9/23	Chapter 3 Sensations and Perception
9/25, 9/30	Chapter 4 State of Consciousness
10/2	Chapter 4 State of Consciousness
10/7	Exam Chapter 1, 2, 3, 4
10/9	Chapter 14 Psychological Disorders
10/14	Chapter 14 Psychological Disorders
10/16	Midterm Chapters 1, 2, 3,4,14
10/21, 10/23	Chapter 15 Therapies
10/28, 10/30	Chapter 12 Health and Stress
11/4, 11/6	Chapter Review
11/11	Holiday (no school)
11/13, 11/18	Chapter 16 Social Psychology
11/18	Written assignment due (Case Study Psychological Disorders)
11/20	Chapters Review
11/25	Exam Chapters 12, 15
11/27	Holiday
12/2, 12/4	Chapter 16 Social Psychology
12/9	Final exam Chapters 12, 14, 15, 16(7:30 a.m.-9:30a.m)

Student Portal-Please update e-mail address, view your schedule and grades from past semesters, drop classes, pay for fees, etc.

www.lamission.edu “students” then “register for classes” “88----“then Pin) MMDD) birthday-first option 1-update email address.

Student e-mail address has to match what is on file.

Purchase book from LA Mission Bookstore

Medical Conditions if you have any conditions that I need to know about, please notify me immediately by email and provide me with an emergency phone number.

Please program campus Sheriff Number in your cell phone

Campus Sheriff (818) 364-7843

Instructions to login to our class website for MYPsyLab/College:

Step 1:

Purchase book from LAMission Bookstore, come with MYPSYLAB access code

Step 2:

Go to www.lamc.mylabsplus.com(also known as ECOLLEGE Login page)

1. Your log in name is your school id 88----- (no spaces or dashes)

2. Your password is “PASSWORD” all capitals.

3. You will see our class “Psychology 1”

4 At some point you will need to enter your Enter student access code (from your book) and or will have the opportunity to buy the code at that time too.

5. For security reasons its best if you change the password as soon as possible.

**Student Code of Conduct and Non-discrimination Policy

It is extremely important that we follow the standards of behavior set forth by Los Angeles Mission College. Therefore, *discriminatory behavior of any kind will not be tolerated*. Students are expected to be able to deal with the material covered in this class in a mature manner. *Comments that demean or are derogatory to a person or a group of people will not be tolerated.*

**Special Needs/Disabilities

If you are a student with a disability and require accommodatins, please send me a private email. The sooner I am aware of your eligibility for accommodations, the quicker I will be able to assist the DSP&S Office in providing them. For students requiring accommodations, the DSP&S Office at Mission College provides special assistance in areas like: registering for courses, specialized tutoring, note-taking, mobility assistance, special instruction, testing assistance, special equipment, special

materials, instructor liaisons, community referrals and job placement. If you have not done so already, you may also wish to contact the DSP&S Office in the Instructional Building 1018 (phone 818-364-7732 TTD 818-364-7861) and bring a letter stating the accommodations that are needed.

Cheating- unauthorized material used during an examination (including electronic devices), changing answers after work has been graded, taking an exam for another student, forging or altering attendance sheets or other documents in the course, looking at another student's paper/scantron/essay/computer or exam with or without their approval is considered cheating. Any student caught cheating will receive a zero for the assignment/exam and referred to the Department chair and/or Student Services for further disciplinary action.

Plagiarism- Plagiarism is defined as the act of using ideas, words, or work of another person or persons as if they were ones own, without giving proper credit to the original sources. This includes definitions found online on Wikipedia, materials from blogs, twitter, or other similar electronic resources. The following examples are intended to be representative, but not all inclusive:

- failing to give credit by proper citations for others ideas and concepts, data and information, statements and phrases, and/or interpretations and conclusions.
 - failing to use quotation marks when quoting directly from another, whether it be a paragraph, a sentence, or a part thereof
 - Paraphrasing the expressions or thought by others without appropriate quotation marks or attribution
 - Representing another's artistic/scholarly works such as essays, computer programs, photographs, paintings, drawings, sculptures or similar works as one's own.
- First offense, you will receive a zero for the assignment in question. Any further offenses may result in expulsion from the class, as determined by the disciplinary action from the Office of Student Services.

Recording devices in the classroom- Section 78907 of the California Education Code prohibits the use of any electronic audio or video recording devices, without prior consent of the instructor. (Including cell phones, laptops, MP3 players, and more)

This syllabus is a guide to use throughout this course and is subject to change at the instructor discretion.

*Please **turn off** all electronic devices including but not limited to cell phones, pagers, iPods, etc. and do so before each class. Points will be deducted from your total grade for any interruptions****