

**PSYCHOLOGY 001**  
**General Psychology I**  
**COURSE SYLLABUS**  
 Los Angeles Mission College  
 Fall 2012

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Office Hours: Tuesday, 10:30a.m. to 2:00p.m.  
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**Class Days & Hours – Section # 0424: Monday and Wednesday, 12:25p.m. to 1:50p.m. – 3 Units**  
**Class Location – INST-1002**

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** This introductory psychology course covers learning, motivation, intelligence, personality and methods of adjustment.

**COURSE STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOME (SLO):**

1. Describe and explain with a basic understanding, one goal of psychology.
2. Demonstrate basic knowledge of the parts of the brain and nervous system through an essay quiz.
3. Analyze psychological disorders and their causes and treatment options.
4. Compare and contrast two theories of psychological development.

<u>WEEK</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ASSIGNED CHAPTER(S) and/or CLASS EXERCISES:</u> (Subject to Change)	
1	08/28/12	Read Chapter: 1 – Introduction to Psychology	
2	<b>09/03/12</b>	<b>LABOR DAY HOLIDAY (No Class Mon; Class will meet on Wed 9/5)</b>	
2	09/05/12	Read Chapter: 2 – Biology and Behavior	
3	09/10/12	Read Chapter: 3 – Sensation and Perception	
4	09/17/12	Read Chapter: 4 – States of Consciousness <i>Test #1 will cover Chapters 1, 2, and 3</i>	<b><u>TEST #1</u></b>
5	09/24/12	Read Chapter: 5 - Learning	
6	10/01/12	Read Chapter: 6 - Memory	
7	10/08/12	Read Chapter: 7 – Cognition, Language, and Intelligence <i>Test #2 will cover Chapters 4, 5, and 6</i>	<b><u>TEST #2</u></b>
8	10/15/12	Reach Chapter: 8 – Child Development	
9	10/22/12	Read Chapter: 9 – Adolescence and Adulthood	
10	10/29/12	Read Chapter: 10 – Motivation and Emotion <i>Test #3 will cover Chapters 7, 8, and 9</i>	<b><u>TEST #3</u></b>
11	11/05/12	Read Chapter: 13 – Personality Theory and Assessment	
<b>12</b>	<b>11/12/12</b>	<b>VETERAN’S DAY HOLIDAY (No Class Mon; Class meets on Wed 11/14)</b>	
12	11/14/12	Read Chapter: 14 – Psychological Disorders	

<u>WEEK</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ASSIGNED CHAPTER(S) and/or CLASS EXERCISES:</u> (Subject to Change)	
13	11/19/12	Read Chapter: 15 – Therapies <i>Test #4 will cover Chapters 13, 14, and 15</i>	<b><u>TEST #4</u></b>
14	11/26/12	Read Chapter: 15 – Therapies (Cont.)	
15	12/03/12	Read Chapter: 16 – Social Psychology	
16	12/10/12	<b>***FINAL EXAMINATION***</b> <b><i>Final Examination will be Comprehensive</i></b>	

***Regularly Scheduled Class that Meets on MW from 12:25p.m. to 1:50p.m.***  
***FINAL EXAMINATION TIME IS MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012 FROM 12:30p.m. to 2:30p.m.***

**TEXT BOOK:** Wood, S. E., & Wood, E. R., and Boyd, D. (2011).  
***The World of Psychology***, Seventh Edition.  
 Allyn and Bacon Publishers.

**SUGGESTED READING:** Szasz, Thomas S. (1970).  
***The Manufacture of Madness.***  
 Harper & Row Publishers.

**ASSIGNED READINGS and CLASS EXERCISES:**

Each student is responsible for all assigned readings whether discussed in class or not. Test questions may be taken from assigned readings, which may not have been discussed in class. Also, various handouts will be distributed throughout the semester in conjunction with various topics and will be discussed in class. These materials may also be included in test questions and final examination questions. It is each student's responsibility to be prepared to discuss various assigned readings and class material. Each student will be required to participate in various class exercises. Audio/video recording of class lectures ***is not*** permitted. Use of electronic devices ***is not*** permitted. ***Texting*** and/or cell phone use ***is not*** permitted in class.

**TESTS:**

The testing series will consist of four (4) tests and a one (1) final examination. Each test will consist of twenty (20) multiple choice questions worth four (4) points each, and one (1) essay question worth twenty (20) points. The final examination will be comprehensive and consist of fifty (50) multiple choice questions worth six (6) points each, and one (1) essay question worth one-hundred (100) points. If scheduled test is missed the test ***cannot*** be made-up.

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Attendance to all scheduled sessions is mandatory.** Any absences ***must*** be discussed with instructor, prior to the absence, in order to make up the work and/or be excused. Repeated absences and/or tardiness may lead to a drop of one (1) full letter grade and/or automatic exclusion. Attendance will make up twenty percent (20%) of your total grade. ***A new state policy in effect as of Summer 2012 limits students to 3 attempts per course. Receiving a grade or "W" for a course counts as an attempt, regardless of when the course was taken.*** Our Fall 2012 schedule of classes states that the drop deadlines for full length (16-week) classes are as follows:  
 Friday, September 7: Drop classes without receiving a "W" with refund (in person)  
 Sunday, September 9: Drop classes without receiving a "W" with refund (internet)  
*Withdrawal by September 9, 2012 (avoiding a "W") will not count as an attempt.*

**FINAL GRADE:**

Your final grade will be calculated based on the following:

Final Examination	40%	400 total points
Tests	40%	400 total points
Attendance & Class Exercise Participation	20%	200 total points