PSYCHOLOGY 001
General Psychology I
COURSE SYLLABUS
Los Angeles Mission College
Spring 2013

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Class Days & Hours – Section # 3420: Monday, 3:30p.m. to 6:40p.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.

WEEK	**DATE**	**ASSIGNED CHAPTER(S) and/or CLASS EXERCISES:** *(Subject to Change)*	
1	02/04/13	Read Chapter: 1 – Introduction to Psychology	
2	02/11/13	Read Chapter: 2 – Biology and Behavior	
3	**02/18/13**	**PRESIDENT'S HOLIDAY (Class does not meet on Monday)** Read Chapter: 3 – Sensation and Perception	
4	02/25/13	Read Chapter: 4 – States of Consciousness *Test #1 will cover Chapters 1, 2, and 3*	***TEST #1***
5	03/04/13	Read Chapter: 5 - Learning	
6	03/11/13	Read Chapter: 6 - Memory	
7	03/18/13	Read Chapter: 7 – Cognition, Language, and Intelligence *Test #2 will cover Chapters 4, 5, and 6*	***TEST #2***
8	03/25/13	Read Chapter: 8 – Child Development **(Class does not meet Thursday 3/28)**	
9	**04/01/13**	**SPRING BREAK!!! (Class does not meet Monday or Wednesday)**	
10	04/08/13	Read Chapter: 9 – Adolescence and Adulthood	
11	04/15/13	Read Chapter: 10 – Motivation and Emotion *Test #3 will cover Chapters 7, 8, and 9*	***TEST #3***
12	04/22/13	Read Chapter: 13 – Personality Theory and Assessment	
13	04/29/13	Read Chapter: 14 – Psychological Disorders	
14	05/06/13	Read Chapter: 15 – Therapies *Test #4 will cover Chapters 10, 13, and 14*	***TEST #4***
15	05/13/13	Read Chapter: 16 – Social Psychology	

WEEK	DATE	ASSIGNED CHAPTER(S) and/or CLASS EXERCISES: *(Subject to Change)*
16	05/20/13	Read Chapter: 16 – Social Psychology (Continued)
	05/27/13	**MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY!!! (Class does not meet)**
	05/30/13	******FINAL EXAMINATION*** Final Examination will be Comprehensive***

FINAL EXAMINATION TIME IS MONDAY, June 3, 2013 FROM 5:30p.m. to 7:30p.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.

Plagiarism Policy: Cheating and/or Plagiarism can lead to failure and disciplinary action.

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. Repeated absences may lead to a drop of one (1) full letter grade and/or automatic exclusion. *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**.* LAMC Spring 2013 schedule of classes states that the drop deadlines for full length (16-week) classes are as follows:
February 18, 2013: Drop classes without receiving a "W" with refund (in person/internet)
If you stop attending a class (or wish to drop a class), YOU MUST DROP THE CLASS YOURSELF – OFFICIALLY – on or before May 5, 2013 (Internet). Failure to do so may result in a grade of "F" in that class.

Disabled Students Programs & Services (DSP&S): is located in Instructional Building room 1018. If you need DSPS services, please call for an appointment with our DSP&S Counselors.

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