

Course Rotation: Psychology

Special Note: This rotation is accurate as of January 15, 2018. Unforeseen events could impact the offering of a particular course; however, the department will make every effort to assure the least negative impact on students should a change in a rotation be required. It is highly advisable that students consult with their advisors to most effectively choose courses to complete their degree plans.

PSY 1113 Introduction to Psychology

A survey of basic principles underlying human behavior. Areas covered include scientific methods of inquiry, biological foundations, sensation and perception, consciousness, learning, emotion, motivation, abnormal behavior, and therapy.

Course Offered: Fall, Spring, and Summer

PSY 2413 Psychology of Adolescence

The study of normal physiological, intellectual, and emotional aspects of adolescents. Emphasis is on normal development and change as well as psychological and cultural forces affecting them. Issues such as suicide and gangs will be discussed. Prerequisite: PSY 1113.

Course Offered: Irregular

PSY 3003 Human Sexuality

A study of human sexuality from biological, psychological, and social perspectives. An examination of contemporary psychosexual research and theory. Topics are addressed from a science-based perspective and include: history of sex research, gender roles, gender differences in sexual expression, homosexuality, pornography, prostitution, sexual coercion, sexual disorders, and sexual anatomy. Prerequisite: PSY 1113. (Formerly PSY 2933)

Course Offered: Spring Only

PSY 3013 Abnormal Psychology

Provides a brief overview of the wide spectrum of mental disorders (psychopathology). It examines the definition, classification, etiology, characteristics, and different treatment modalities of several behavioral deficits. Emphasis will be on clinical aspects of each disorder and the application of diagnostic criteria from the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM). Prerequisite: PSY 1113.

Course Offered: Fall and Spring

PSY 3023 Social Psychology

Major theories, methods, and research findings that comprise the discipline of social psychology are examined from a critical standpoint including conformity, social influence, social cognition, prosocial behavior, prejudice, group processes, interpersonal attraction, and social comparison. Increases awareness of the social, historical, and political dimension to psychological understanding. Prerequisite: PSY 1113.

Course Offered: Fall, Spring, and Summer

PSY 3033 Developmental Psychology

A life span course designed to provide an understanding of human behavior and characteristics from conception to death. Information is included on physical, cognitive, and psychosocial development at each period of the life span. Emotional aspects associated with development will be discussed. Prerequisite: PSY 1113. (Formerly PSY 2613)

Course Offered: Fall, Spring, and Summer

PSY 3043 Child Psychology

This course provides an understanding of human behavior and mental processes from conception through adolescence. Includes study for the physical, cognitive, and psychosocial development of the child. Prerequisite: PSY 1113.

Course Offered: Fall and Spring

PSY 3053 History and Systems of Psychology

Survey of the history of the various dogma, theories, technology, and methodological approaches to the behavioral sciences.

Prerequisite: PSY 1113.

Course Offered: Spring and Summer

PSY 3063 Clinical Neuroscience

An exploration of the neurobiological foundations of mental health and mental illness, including the study of etiology of mental diseases, developments in genetics, and the evaluation of research findings into applied clinical approaches leading to effective therapies. Prerequisite: PSY 1113.

Course Offered: Irregular

PSY 3213 Aging and End of Life Transitions

This course is a study of physiological, psychological, sociological, and intellectual aspects of the aging population. The nature and problems of the older adult will be explored. Attitudes toward end of life transitions will be investigated as well as the grieving process and the function of bereavement. Historical perspectives to both aging and end of life will be examined. Prerequisite: PSY 1113.

Course Offered: Fall only

PSY 3223 Learning

This course covers theoretical models of learning as well as empirical work from both animal and human models. The focus is on Pavlovian and operant conditioning, but other types of learning are explored including non-associative learning, verbal learning, and observational learning. The course also emphasizes the broad application of basic learning in areas such as behavior modification, child rearing, and drug tolerance. Prerequisite: PSY 1113.

Course Offered: Irregular

PSY 3243 Cognitive Psychology

A survey of the diverse area of cognitive science. Topics include information processing, attention, memory, visual imagery, problem solving, decision making, and language. The course will emphasize both empirical and theoretical work in the area. Prerequisite: PSY 1113.

Course Offered: Irregular

PSY 3353 Psychology of Personality

A comprehensive survey of the theories of personality from classic conceptualizations to contemporary and emerging theoretical perspectives. This course will focus on the primary approaches to understanding personality, personality development and concepts used in defining personality. Prerequisite: PSY 1113.

Course Offered: Spring Only

PSY 3993 Current Topics in Psychology

This course will focus on current topics in psychology not covered in existing course offerings. Intended for the purpose of offering high interest course topics during the semester. It may be repeated with changes of topic. Content varies with instructor.

Prerequisite: PSY 1113. (Formerly PSY 2083)

Course Offered: Irregular

PSY 4013 Clinical Psychology

This course is designed for undergraduate psychology majors with an interest in clinical psychology. The intent is to provide a survey of the field including the history, scope, methods, concepts, and profession of clinical psychology. Review of the different theoretical perspectives that constitute the discipline. The objective of this course is to provide the student with a broad, solid foundation in clinical psychology in preparation for further training in a mental health profession or psychology graduate program. Prerequisite: PSY 1113.

Course Offered: Irregular

PSY 4023 Physiological Psychology

An examination of the biological basis of behavior with emphasis on the structural and functional anatomy of the central nervous system. Prerequisites: PSY 1113 and junior standing.

Course Offered: Irregular