

PSY 1010 General Psychology (SS)

Course Syllabus Fall 2024

| Classroom: Schedule: | |
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Course Description

Explore the field of psychology in this introductory survey of psychology's scientific study of mind and behavior.

Credit Hours: 3 General Education Designation: Social Science – SS

Required Materials

- Lumen Learning Introduction to Psychology or equivalent digital textbook (many sections utilize Lumen One).
- Access to Canvas and the Lumen One system for interactive materials, quizzes, and assignments.

Note: Course fees include access to digital course materials. Additional information on accessibility is available through the Accessibility & Disability Services.

Course Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- 1. Identify and describe introductory psychological concepts.
- 2. Apply psychology to aspects of life such as personal growth, everyday life, or the college experience.

- 3. Identify and evaluate different research strategies used in psychology including ethical concerns.
- 4. Evaluate, design, or conduct psychological research.

Course Requirements

1. Weekly Quizzes

Each week, students complete quizzes that assess understanding of key concepts from the readings and lectures. Quizzes are designed to reinforce learning and provide immediate feedback.

2. Discussion Participation

Discussions are a mix of structured topics and open forums for peer interaction. Participation in these discussions allows students to engage actively with course content, applying theoretical concepts to real-world scenarios.

3. Study Plans

Study Plans in the Lumen One system provide readings, practice questions, and selfchecks to build foundational knowledge in psychology. Completing these plans is crucial for preparing for quizzes and exams.

4. Exams

Two main exams (Midterm and Final) evaluate cumulative knowledge. The exams may include multiple-choice, short-answer, and essay questions covering major topics from the course.

5. Final Project or Research Paper

Depending on the section, the course concludes with a final project or a research paper where students demonstrate the application of psychological principles. Topics are often chosen in consultation with the instructor.

Grading Breakdown

| Component | Weight (%) |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Weekly Quizzes | 20-25% |
| Discussion Participation | 20-25% |
| Study Plans | 10-15% |
| Exams (Midterm, Final) | 25-30% |

| Component | Weight (%) |
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| Final Project or Research Paper | 15-20% |

Note: Grading weights and distribution vary slightly across sections; refer to the Canvas course page for specific grading details per section.

| Final Grade Distribution | | | | | |
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| | Α | A- | B+ | В | |
| | 100 to 94 | <94 to 90 | <90 to 87 | <87 to 84 | |
| | B- | C+ | С | C- | |
| | <84 to 80 | <80 to 77 | <77 to 74 | <74 to 70 | |
| | D+ | D | D- | E | |
| | <70 to 67 | <67 to 64 | <64 to 60 | <60 to 0 | |

Final Grade Distribution

Important Dates

Student Academic Calendar:

The "Student Academic Calendar" contains important dates including registration, tuition payments, holidays, and significant deadlines. Refer to the webpage for the most up-to-date information. [website link: <u>https://www.slcc.edu/academiccalendar/index.aspx</u>]

Final Exam Schedule:

The "Final Exam Schedule" lists information about when each course section will hold its final exam period. Refer to the webpage for the most up-to-date information. [website link: <u>https://www.slcc.edu/schedule/final-exam-schedule.aspx]</u>

Institutional Statements and Policies

General Education at SLCC:

This course fulfills the social science requirement of the General Education Program at Salt Lake Community College. It is designed to teach you the core knowledge and skills of the discipline while also developing essential professional competencies and strategies for lifelong learning. General Education courses broaden your foundational skills and expand your understanding across diverse subjects. By integrating insights from various disciplines, you will learn to apply knowledge meaningfully, enrich your life, develop broader perspectives, deepen your understanding of the world, and challenge your assumptions.

E-Portfolios:

All General Education courses include a "Signature Assignment" that comprises part of each student's e-Portfolio. For more information, see the statement about e-portfolios in Simple Syllabus.

Institutional Syllabus:

The "Institutional Syllabus" on Canvas includes important statements and information on a range of institutional policies, learning support and tutoring services, and student support resources. These sections provide guidance on student rights and responsibilities, grading policies, and various support services available to assist with academic advising, counseling, accessibility, student engagement, and more. For detailed information, please refer to the "Institutional Syllabus" on Canvas.

| Wk | Торіс | Assignments |
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| 1 | Introduction to Psychology | Syllabus Quiz, Discussion: Introduce Yourself |
| 2 | Research in Psychology | Quiz on Research Methods, Study Plan 1 |
| 3 | Biopsychology | Quiz, Discussion on Biological Bases |
| 4 | States of Consciousness | Quiz, Study Plan, Reflection Assignment |
| 5 | Learning and Conditioning | Quiz, Study Plan, Discussion on Learning |
| 6 | Memory | Quiz, Study Plan, Memory Reflection Paper |
| 7 | Thinking and Intelligence | Quiz, Study Plan, Discussion on Intelligence |
| 8 | Developmental Psychology | Midterm Exam, Study Plan |
| 9 | Personality and Social Psychology | Quiz, Personality Reflection |
| 10 | Psychological Disorders | Quiz, Study Plan, Discussion on Disorders |
| 11 | Therapy and Treatment | Quiz, Therapy Methods Paper |
| 12 | Health, Stress, and Coping | Quiz, Stress Reflection Assignment |
| 13 | Social Psychology | Quiz, Group Project on Social Dynamics |
| 14 | Applied Psychology | Discussion, Applied Psychology Reflection |
| 15 | Course Review and Final Project | Final Project Submission |
| 16 | Final Exam | Comprehensive Exam |

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