

PSY 105 – Introduction to Psychology

Course Description

Introduces psychology as a human and scientific endeavor. Includes examination of concepts and methods in learning, motivation, development, personality, and social behavior.

Instructional Materials

Baron, R. A., & Kalsher, M. J. (2008). *PSY105: Introduction to psychology: Third custom edition* (2nd ed.). Boston, MA: Allyn & Bacon (Pearson).

Course Learning Outcomes

1. Distinguish between the major schools of thought in psychology.
2. Discuss methods for acquiring new knowledge in the field of psychology, along with the advantages and limitations of those methods.
3. Relate psychological concepts to real-world situations.
4. Discuss the biological factors that influence behavior.
5. Describe the major theories of learning, memory, cognition, consciousness, development, and social psychology.
6. Describe major diagnostic mental disorders and their treatments.
7. Use technology and information resources to research issues in psychology.
8. Write clearly and concisely about psychology using proper writing mechanics.