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General Syllabus

PSYC 1163 GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY HONORS

Credit Hours: 3 Lecture Hours: 3 Laboratory or other types of Hours: 0

Prerequisite(s): Acceptance into Miles Friedman Honors program

Effective Catalog: 2019-2020

I. Course Information

A. Catalog Description

Designed to be taken concurrently with ENGL 1233 Honors Composition. An in-depth version of PSYC 1163. Requires the synthesis and application of course material as well as the use of critical thinking and problem-solving skills in both verbal and written formats.

II. Student Learning Outcomes

A. Subject Matter

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

1. Utilize vocabulary and concepts of the discipline of psychology;
2. Gain an appreciation for the field and its many sub-disciplines;
3. Discuss the current research supporting the theories in psychology;
4. Critically consider the relevance of traditional and contemporary behavioral theories to everyday living;
5. Write a short research paper concerning a topic relevant to a specific behavior or theory; and
6. Better understand him/herself and those with whom they interact frequently.

B. University Learning Outcomes

General Psychology-Honors enhances student abilities in the following areas:

Global and Cultural Perspectives

Students will reflect upon cultural differences and their implications for interacting with people from cultures other than their own.

Communication Skills (written and oral)

Students will communicate effectively with a variety of audiences in any setting.

Analytical Skills**Critical Thinking Skills**

Students will draw conclusions and solve problems.

III. Major Course Topics

- A. History and schools of psychology
- B. Research methods
- C. traditional and contemporary theories
- D. Biological psychology
- E. Developmental
- F. Social
- G. Personality
- H. Learning
- I. Sensation
- J. Perception
- K. Intelligence
- L. Cognition
- M. Industrial-organizational