

# PSYCHOLOGY (PSY)

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## **PSY 804 – Healthcare Ethics 2 credit hours**

This course will cover common issues encountered by healthcare practitioners in various research and applied paths. The goal of the course is to introduce students to pertinent ethical issues they are likely to face in their career. The course includes lectures, discussions, journals, and case studies complementing the learning process.

## **PSY 806P – Theories of Personality 3 credit hours**

Personality theories from Freud to contemporary theorists are discussed.

## **PSY 807P – Psychopathology 3 credit hours**

Current theoretical models and research are applied toward understanding the descriptions and causes of the predominant mental disorders. The course is based on the diagnostic system employed by most mental health professionals.

## **PSY 815P – Group Dynamics 3 credit hours**

Theory and research on group behavior and the relationship of group dynamics to applied situations are covered.

## **PSY 820P – Advanced Research Design and Analysis in Psychology 3 credit hours**

Advanced Research Design and Analysis in Psychology is a class that delves into the analysis of data using various advanced statistical techniques concentrating on how to determine which particular analysis technique is suited to a particular research design. We will place a heavy emphasis on the acquisition and interpretation of results using a common statistical package, SPSS.

## **PSY 830P – Memory and Cognition 3 credit hours**

Topics concerning intellectual functioning are reviewed. Emphasis is placed on the information processing approach to the study of mental life. Topics include perception, attention, consciousness, memory, problem solving, and language.

## **PSY 840P – Health Psychology 3 credit hours**

Examines how thoughts, emotions, behaviors, physiology, and culture influence health and well-being. Topics include: physical systems of the body, stress and illness, health-related behaviors, health services, and end-of-life care.

## **PSY 850P – Psychological Testing 3 credit hours**

This course is designed to teach you about psychological testing. Throughout the semester, you will learn about the basic theory and considerations underlying construction of instruments measuring psychological characteristics. PSY 270 recommended.

## **PSY 853P – Developmental Psychology 3 credit hours**

The psychology of child and adolescent development is studied. Special emphasis is placed on experimental findings related to the development of physical, intellectual and cognitive functioning, and the development of personality.

## **PSY 855P – Adolescent Psychology 3 credit hours**

Adolescent development is comprehensively reviewed. The intellectual, physical, and social/moral development of adolescents is discussed, along with the special problems of young adults.

## **PSY 862P – Adult Development and Aging 3 credit hours**

The changes that come with age are addressed. Topics include physical decline, attitudes toward death and dying, and theories of biological, psychological, and social aging.

## **PSY 865P – Psychopharmacology 3 credit hours**

The pharmacological, physiological, and psychological effects of drugs to treat psychological disorders and drugs of abuse are discussed. Background in physiological psychology and/or biology is recommended.

## **PSY 870P – Neuropsychology 3 credit hours**

The relationship between human brain function and behavior is investigated. Topics include cerebral asymmetry, sensory and motor systems, functions of the association cortex, and the rationale of neuropsychological assessment.

## **PSY 880P – Advanced Seminar in Psychology 3 credit hours**

An in-depth examination of a particular topic in one of thirteen designated areas. Taught in seminar format. Topics will vary and be announced during the preceding semester. Offered on an irregular basis.

Department Consent Required

Prerequisite: Completion of at least 12 hours of Psychology coursework and graduate standing and permission of the instructor

## **PSY 890 – Directed Research 1-3 credit hours**

The student engages in a research project of his/her own design. The project is supervised by a psychology graduate faculty member.

Department Consent Required

Total Credits Allowed: 3.00

## **PSY 899 – Directed Readings 1-3 credit hours**

The student designs a set of readings in a chosen area of psychology.

The work is completed under the supervision of the department chairman or a psychology graduate faculty member.

Department Consent Required

Total Credits Allowed: 3.00

## **PSY 4752 – Practicum in Human Factors 3 credit hours**

## **PSY 4754 – Practicum in Industrial/Organizational Psychology 3 credit hours**