



PSYC1101 INTRODUCTORY PSYCHOLOGY(Web Enhanced)

COURSE SYLLABUS

FALL SEMESTER 2017/FY 201812

COURSE INFORMATION

Credit Hours/Minutes: 3/2250

Class Location: RTCA/COMPUTER LAB

Class Meets: 2:23 P.M.- 3:15 P.M.; 8/8/17-12/15/17

CRN: 20407

Preferred Method of Contact: BBL Email

INSTRUCTOR CONTACT INFORMATION

Instructor Name: Leisa Dukes

Office Location: RTCA/COMPUTER LAB

Office Hours: BY APPT.

Email Address: ldukes@southeasterntech.edu

Phone: 478-289-2345 CELL: 912-293-6329

Fax Number: BY APPT.

Tutoring Hours (if applicable): BY APPT.

REQUIRED TEXT Text book form- Openstax (The textbook will be provided within the course content.)
No student will be required to purchase a textbook.

REQUIRED SUPPLIES & SOFTWARE

MS Word, Your browser should be IE 7.0 or higher or Mozilla Firefox 2.0 or higher. Note: Although students can use their smart phones and tablets to access their online course(s), exams, discussions, assignments, and other graded activities should be performed on a personal computer. Neither BBL nor GVTC provide technical support for issues relating to the use of a smart phone or tablet so students are advised not to rely on these devices to take an online course.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Introduces the major fields of contemporary psychology. Emphasizes is on critical thinking and fundamental principles of psychology as a science. Topics include research design, the organization and operation of the nervous system, sensation and perception, learning and memory, motivation and emotion, thinking and intelligence, lifespan development, personality, psychological disorders and treatment, stress and health, and social psychology.

MAJOR COURSE COMPETENCIES

Topics include foundations and research methods, biological foundations of behavior, sensation and perception, states of consciousness, learning, memory, cognition and mental abilities, motivation and emotion, lifespan development, personality, psychological disorders and treatment, stress and health psychology, and social psychology.

PREREQUISITE(S)

Appropriate Degree Level writing (English) and Reading Placement Test Scores

COURSE OUTLINE

- I. Foundations and Research Methods
- II. Biological Foundations of Behavior
- III. Sensation and Perception
- IV. States of Consciousness
- V. Learning
- VI. Memory
- VII. Thinking Intelligence, and Language
- VIII. Motivation and Emotion Lifespan Development
- IX. Personality
- X. Psychological Disorders and Treatment
- XI. Stress and Health Psychology
- XII Social Psychology

GENERAL EDUCATION CORE COMPETENCIES

STC has identified the following general education core competencies that graduates will attain:

1. The ability to utilize standard written English.
2. The ability to solve practical mathematical problems.
3. The ability to read, analyze, and interpret information.

STUDENT REQUIREMENTS

Follow the calendar given out the first day of class for all assigned work and due dates. Deadlines MUST met UNLESS approved by the instructor. Cell phones will no be used during class time. All phones should not be in the classroom. (Follow school policy for this.)

ATTENDANCE

Class attendance is a very important aspect of a student's success. Being absent from class prevents students from receiving the full benefit of a course and also interrupts the learning process. Southeastern Technical College considers both tardiness and leaving early as types of absenteeism. Responsibility for class attendance rests with the student. Regular and punctual attendance at all scheduled classes is required for student success. Students will be expected to complete all work required by the instructor as described in the individual course syllabus.

Instructors have the right to give unannounced quizzes/assignments. Students who miss an unannounced quiz or assignment will receive a grade of 0. Students who stop attending class, but do not formally withdraw, may receive a grade of F and face financial aid repercussions in upcoming semesters.

Instructors are responsible for determining whether missed work may be made up and the content and dates for makeup work is at the discretion of the instructor.

Students will not be withdrawn by an instructor for attendance; however, all instructors will keep records of graded assignments and student participation in course activities. The completion dates of these activities will be used to determine a student's last date of attendance in the event a student withdraws, stops attending, or receives an F in a course.

SPECIAL NEEDS

Students with disabilities who believe that they may need accommodations in this class based on the impact of a disability are encouraged to contact Helen Thomas, 912-538-3126, hthomas@southeasterntech.edu, to coordinate reasonable accommodations.

PREGNANCY

Southeastern Technical College does not discriminate on the basis of pregnancy. However, we can offer accommodations to students who are pregnant that need special consideration to successfully complete the course. If you think you will need accommodations due to pregnancy, please advise me and make appropriate arrangements with Helen Thomas, 912-538-3126, hthomas@southeasterntech.edu.

WITHDRAWAL PROCEDURE

Students wishing to officially withdraw from a course(s) or all courses after the drop/add period and prior to the 65% portion of the semester (date will be posted on the school calendar) must speak with a Career Counselor in Student Affairs and complete a Student Withdrawal Form. A grade of "W" is assigned when the student completes the withdrawal form from the course.

Students who are dropped from courses due to attendance (see your course syllabus for attendance policy) after drop/add until the 65% point of the semester will receive a "W" for the course. Abandoning a course(s) instead of following official withdrawal procedures may result in a grade of 'F' being assigned.

After the 65% portion of the semester, the student will receive a grade for the course. (Please note: A zero will be given for all missed assignments.)

There is no refund for partial reduction of hours. Withdrawals may affect students' eligibility for financial aid for the current semester and in the future, so a student must also speak with a representative of the Financial Aid Office to determine any financial penalties that may be assessed due to the withdrawal. All grades, including grades of 'W', will count in attempted hour calculations for the purpose of Financial Aid.

Remember - Informing your instructor that you will not return to his/her course does not satisfy the approved withdrawal procedure outlined above.

MAKEUP GUIDELINES (TESTS, QUIZZES, HOMEWORK, PROJECTS, ETC...)

A calendar will be distributed the first day of class to all students with assignments and due dates. If a student knows they will not be in class, it will be their responsibility to complete the work on the assigned day. If there is an in-class test or unannounced quiz or assignment given and the student is on official school business or has an excused absence, the work can be made up at the convenience of the instructor.

FINAL EXAM: A cumulative final exam will be given. All students will be required to take the final exam. The final exam will count 30% of the overall grade in the class.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY POLICY

The STC Academic Dishonesty Policy states All forms of academic dishonesty, including but not limited to cheating on tests, plagiarism, collusion, and falsification of information, will call for discipline. The policy can also be found in the STC Catalog and Student Handbook.

PROCEDURE FOR ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

The procedure for dealing with academic misconduct and dishonesty is as follows:

1. First Offense

Student will be assigned a grade of "0" for the test or assignment. Instructor keeps a record in course/program files and notes as first offense. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home campus. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

2. Second Offense

Student is given a grade of "WF" for the course in which offense occurs. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home campus indicating a "WF" has been issued as a result of second offense. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

3. Third Offense

Student is given a grade of "WF" for the course in which the offense occurs. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home

campus indicating a "WF" has been issued as a result of second offense. The Vice President for Student Affairs, or designee, will notify the student of suspension from college for a specified period of time. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

STATEMENT OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Technical College System of Georgia and its constituent Technical Colleges do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national or ethnic origin, sex, religion, disability, age, political affiliation or belief, genetic information, disabled veteran, veteran of the Vietnam Era, spouse of military member or citizenship status (except in those special circumstances permitted or mandated by law). This school is in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin; with the provisions of Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender; with the provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap; and with the American with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The following individuals have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies:

| ADA/Section 504 - Equity- Title IX (Students) - OCR Compliance Officer | Title VI - Title IX (Employees) - EEOC Officer |
|---|--|
| Helen Thomas, Special Needs Specialist Vidalia Campus 3001 East 1 st Street, Vidalia Office 108 Phone: 912-538-3126 hthomas@southeasterntech.edu | Blythe Wilcox, Director of Human Resources Vidalia Campus 3001 East 1 st Street, Vidalia Office 138B Phone: 912-538-3147 bwilcox@southeasterntech.edu |

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

Grievance procedures can be found in the Catalog and Handbook located on STC's website.

ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY

Students can now access Blackboard, Remote Lab Access, Student Email, Library Databases (Galileo), and BannerWeb via the MySTC portal or by clicking the Current Students link on the [STC website](#).

TCSG GUARANTEE/WARRANTY STATEMENT

The Technical College System of Georgia guarantees employers that graduates of State Technical Colleges shall possess skills and knowledge as prescribed by State Curriculum Standards. Should any graduate employee within two years of graduation be deemed lacking in said skills, that student shall be retrained in any State Technical College at no charge for instructional costs to either the student or the employer.

GRADING POLICY

| Assessment/Assignment | Percentage |
|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Tests | 50% |
| Final Exam | 30% |
| Assignments | 20% |
| Total | 100 % |

| Assessment/Assignment | Percentage |
|-----------------------|------------|
| | 100% |

GRADING SCALE

| Letter Grade | Range |
|--------------|--------|
| A | 90-100 |
| B | 80-89 |
| C | 70-79 |
| D | 60-69 |
| F | 0-59 |

PSYC 1101- Introduction to Psychology

Calendar will be distributed the first day of class identifying assignments and due dates.

Competency Areas: (will vary for each course/taken from state standards)

1. Foundations and Research Methods
2. Biological Foundations of Behavior
3. Sensation and Perception
4. States of Consciousness
5. Learning
6. Memory
7. Thinking Intelligence, and Language
8. Motivation and Emotion Lifespan Development
9. Lifespan Development
10. Personality
11. Psychological Disorders and Treatment
12. Stress and Health Psychology
13. Social Psychology

General Core Educational Competencies

- a) The ability to utilize standard written English.
- b) The ability to solve practical mathematical problems.
- c) The ability to read, analyze, and interpret information.