PSY 101  
Introduction to Psychology

Course Description
Surveys the fundamentals of Psychology, including modern theory, research, and relevant topics.

Course prepared by: Education Department  
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Total Credit Hours: 3

Purpose of Course: Degree Requirement  
Degree Elective: X
Certification: 
Developmental: 
Other: 

Prerequisite(s):

Signature, Curriculum & Assessment Committee Chairperson  2-18-09
Signature, Dean of Academic Affairs  2/03/09
Signature, Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs  2/03/09

Last date reviewed or revised: September 2008
I. Introduction to Psychology

II. Course Objectives

A. General Outcomes

Students who complete this course will:
1. Investigate the history of psychology and the evolution of modern psychological theory (GE 4) (LA 4)
2. Contrast the methods used by psychologists to research behavior (GE 1, 3) (LA 1, 3)
3. Discover the relative influences of psychology and environment on the development of the individual (GE 1, 2, 3) (LA 1, 3)
4. Apply research and psychological principles in a variety of relevant contexts (GE 1, 3, 4) (LA 1, 3)

B. Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
1. Investigate the historical trends in psychology
   a. Explain reasons for the study of psychology
   b. Correlate modern psychological theories and the individuals associated with them
   c. Classify the research methods used by psychologists
2. Contrast research and theory for psychological issues common in their personal experience
3. Discover the connection between body and brain
   a. Correlate the structures of the body emphasized in the field of psychology
   b. Explore the mechanics of heredity and its role in the development of personality
4. Apply psychological principles to:
   a. Outline different aspects of learning theory
   b. Produce examples of environmental influences on psychological development

III. Course Content

Describe the relationship between the human biological development and the human brain and mental development.

1. Psychological theories
2. Research methods
3. Psychobiology
4. Learning theory
VI. **Methods of Instruction**

1. Lectures
2. Videos
3. Discussions
4. Group projects

V. **Equipment and Materials**

2. Notebook
3. Loose leaf paper

VI. **Suggested Methods of Evaluation**

1. Class participation and attendance
2. Homework assignments
3. Tests and Quizzes
4. Written and Oral reports

Letter grades will be assigned per CMI Grading System.

Last date reviewed or revised: ___________________
Course History Summary

Course Number: **PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology (3cr)**

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