

Summer 2006  
PSYC 100 B01  
Tuesday & Thursday 7:20-10 pm

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### **Statement of course goals or objectives.**

My goal is to provide students with a basic understanding of psychology. Psychology helps us understand why other people do the things they do and also helps us understand ourselves and our reactions to others. Students will learn the basic fundamentals of research as well as how we learn, how are brains and bodies are connected, and how to critically evaluate not just research but claims of all kinds.

### **List of required texts and other required readings.**

Psychology

Saundra K. Ciccarelli & Glenn E. Meyer

Prentice Hall

- Students will be expected to read the chapter(s) for that date and come prepared to discuss the materials.
- Students will be given extra credit for participating in class. (Professors discretion)
- Students may choose to write a short (10 page) paper on a topic of interest, reviewed and agreed upon by the professor. Paper will be for 10% of their grade. **Due Date: July 20<sup>th</sup>.**

### **Class by class schedule of topics and readings.**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Chapter</b>
June 6 <sup>th</sup>	Tues	Chapter 1. The Science of Psychology
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Thurs	Chapter 2. The Biological Perspective
June 13 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	Chapter 3. Sensation and Perception
June 15 <sup>th</sup>	Thurs	Chapter 4. Consciousness: Sleep, Dreams, Hypnosis, and Drugs
June 20 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesd	Chapter 5. Learning
<b>June 22nd</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>EXAM 1- Chapters 1 - 5 &amp; Chapter 6 – Memory</b>
June 27	Tues	Exams returned & Chapter 7 - Development Across the Life Span
June 29	Thurs	Chapter 8 – Cognition: Thinking, Intelligence, and Language
<b>July 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>NO CLASS</b>
July 6 <sup>th</sup>	Thurs	Chapter 9 – Motivation and Emotion & Chapter 10 – Sexuality & Gender
<b>July 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>Exam 2 – Chapters 6 - 10 &amp; Chapter 11 Stress and Health</b>
July 13 <sup>th</sup>	Thurs	Chapter 12 – Theories of Personality

July 18 <sup>th</sup>	Tues	Exam 2 returned & Chapter 13 – Social Psychology
July 20 <sup>th</sup>	Thurs	Chapter 14 – Psychological Disorders – <b>(Papers due)</b>
July 25 <sup>th</sup>	Tues	Chapter 15 – Psychological Therapies
<b>July 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>Final Exam</b>

**Exam schedule including date and time of final exam.**

Thursday, June 22 – Exam 1 – Chapters 1-5

Tuesday, July 11 – Exam 2 – Chapters 6-10

Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup> – Final Exam

Exams will be graded on percent correct. Exams 1 & 2 will be worth 25% of student's grade  
Final exam will be worth 50% of student's grade.

Students can earn extra credit for writing a report (10% of their grade).

92% and above = A

84% - 92% = B

74% - 83% = C

67% - 73% = D

> 67% = E

The University Honor Code will be followed in this course and can be found at:

<http://www.gmu.edu/catalog/apolicies/#Anchor13>

Overhead projector and laptop computer will be used during class.

If you are a student with a disability and you need academic accommodations, please see me and contact the Disability Resource Center (DRC) at 703-993-2474. All academic accommodations must be arranged through that office.

**The add and drop deadlines for classes.**

Last day to add – June 14<sup>th</sup>

Last day to drop - June 21st