



Fall 2018

I COURSE NUMBER AND TITLE:

PSYC 1000 General Psychology

Section: 40M

Credits: 3

Location: Cody Center 2201

Days/Time: Wednesday 6:30 - 9:10 p.m., plus online Moodle work

II INSTRUCTOR:

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Office Hours: T, Th 2:30-4:00 p.m., or by appointment in Powell or Cody.

III COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course introduces the principles of human behavior as related to biological, physiological, mental, learning, personality, and social factors in human development. (3 hrs lecture)

IV LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

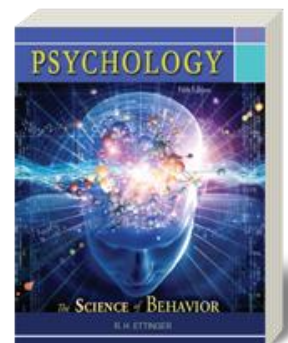
1. Analyze human behavior using psychological concepts and language.
2. Discuss how biological and physiological processes and contexts impact human development and behavior.
3. Discuss how social processes and contexts impact human development and behavior.
4. Recognize the theories, characteristics, and treatments associated with various psychological disorders, and reflect on how those theories, characteristics, and treatments impact individual experience.

V REQUIRED TEXT & MATERIALS:

Ettinger, R. H. (2013). Psychology: The Science of Behavior (5th ed). Redding: BVT Publishing, ISBN: 978-1-61882-971-9.

http://www.bvtpublishing.com/BV00Description.php?edition_id=636

The book is available in a loose leaf or electronic format. You do not need both. The book is available from the NWC bookstore or online.



VI COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

Attendance: Attendance will be taken randomly throughout the semester for a total of 100 points. Attendance in the class is expected and will count towards approximately 15% of your total course grade. You must be present in class to get the attendance points. If you are not in the classroom by the time attendance is completed, you will not get points. Additionally, if you fall asleep or leave class early you will be marked absent.

Students who miss class while officially representing the college are directly responsible for notifying the professor of their absences in advance to get attendance credit. Authorized absences will in no way excuse the student from assignments. If you miss class, it is your responsibility to learn the required material for the course by reading the textbook.

Class Participation: Student participation is an expectation. This is a media course, so this includes online work in Moodle in addition to class lectures. Online work typically includes videos, radio programs, and quizzes.

Classes will cover material both in the textbook and outside of the textbook. This material is better understood with all students interacting in the process. You are expected to engage the material, instructor, and each other in a professional manner. You should ask questions, throw out ideas, and respond to your classmates' ideas. The class experience can be enhanced with everyone's participation, so please come prepared to discuss material.

Quizzes: Chapter quizzes will be administered online during most weeks. Material covered will include assigned readings, lecture material, and/or any additional materials presented in the class (ex. videos, radio programs, handouts, etc.). The quizzes will consist of multiple choice questions.

You will have to take and pass the quizzes with a 90% or higher grade. You will be able to retake the quizzes an unlimited number of times to pass. Passing a quiz will unlock the next chapter quiz and you will earn a completion badge indicating your mastery of the chapter. **Passing quizzes is the only way to unlock the next chapter quiz, midterm, and final exam.** The quizzes will typically be worth 5-20 points per week, totaling approximately 250 points. The quizzes will have assigned due dates before the midterm and final exams.

Exams: Midterm and final exams will be administered online during a designated time. Material covered will include assigned readings, lecture material, and/or any additional materials presented in the class (ex. videos, radio programs, handouts, etc.). Exams will consist of multiple choice questions. The midterm exam is worth approximately 100 points and the final exam is worth approximately 100 points. Exams will be administered online via Moodle and are open book/open notes, so you are free to use your resources to assist in taking the exams. If you miss an exam, you will receive zero credit unless there is a documented emergency directly interfering with your ability to be present to take an exam.

Psychology Awareness Project: During the semester, the instructor will present a psychology awareness project and presentation. **Detailed instructions on completing the project will be presented in class.** Projects submitted after the due date (listed in class schedule below) will be penalized by 10% per day late unless there is a documented emergency directly interfering with your ability to submit the project on time. The project is worth 100 points including the presentation.

VII CALENDAR OF READING AND WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS:

*****Class schedule subject to modification, but not without prior notification*****

Module	Date	Topic	Reading	Video/ Assignments
1	8/22 8/29	Syllabus, Keys to Success, The Origins of Psychology	Chapter 1	Why is the Study of Psychology Important? Science Friday - David Eagleman Gets Inside Our Heads Quiz
2	9/5	The Methods of Psychology	Chapter 2	TED Talk from Adam Savage Quiz
3	9/12	The Biology of Behavior	Chapter 3	Contemporary Phineas Gage Scientific American Frontiers - Severed Corpus Callosum Quiz
4	9/19	Sensation and Perception	Chapter 4	Discovering Psychology - Sensation and Perception NOVA scienceNOW profile on David Eagleman Quiz
5	9/26	Sleep, Dreaming, and Consciousness	Chapter 5	Video: Science of Sleep Quiz
6	10/3	Learning and Behavior	Chapter 6	Discovering Psychology: Learning Quiz

7	10/10	Memory	Chapter 7	Discovering Psychology: Remembering and Forgetting Loftus Videos Quiz All Quizzes Due by 10/14 by Midnight
8		MIDTERM EXAM		Due 10/17 Midnight
9	10/24	Emotion and Stress	Chapter 9	Stress: Portrait of a Killer Intro to Awareness Project
10	10/31	Development 2: Adolescence to the End of Life	Chapter 12	PBS Frontline: The Teenage Brain Quiz
11	11/7	Intelligence	Chapter 13	Discovering Psychology: Testing and Intelligence Quiz
12	11/14	Personality: Theories and Assessment	Chapter 14	Radiolab - Who Am I? Quiz
13	11/28	AWARENESS PROJECT PRESENTATIONS Behavioral Disorders (No Class 11/21 – Thanksgiving)	Chapter 15	Schizophrenia Discovering Psychology: Psychopathology Quiz Awareness Project Due 11/28
14	12/5	Treatment of Behavioral Disorders	Chapter 16	Quiz
15	12/12	Social Psychology	Chapter 17	Stanford Prison Experiment Lerner Discovering Psychology: Constructing Social Reality A Class Divided

				Quiz All Quizzes Due 12/14 by Midnight
16		FINAL EXAM		Final Exam Due 12/14 by Midnight

VIII GRADING CRITERIA:

Your grade will be determined by the estimated number of points:

Quizzes (approximately)	250 points
Attendance	100 points
Awareness Project	100 points
Midterm Exam (approximately)	100 points
Final Exam (approximately)	<u>100 points</u>
Final Course Grade (approximately)	650 points***

***If you look at your grade on Moodle during the semester, it will likely be an F. **DO NOT PANIC**, Moodle shows your grade out of the total number of points in the class. For example, in the first half of the class, you will only complete about 225 points out of 650 in the total course. Accurate midterm and final grades will be posted.

Grading Percentage Scale:

<i>Grade</i>	<i>% of Points</i>	<i>Grade</i>	<i>% of Points</i>
A	100.0% - 93.0%	C+	79.9% - 77.0%
A-	92.9% - 90.0%	C	76.9% - 73.0%
B+	89.9% - 87.0%	C-	72.9% - 70.0%
B	86.9% - 83.0%	D+	69.9% - 67.0%
B-	82.9% - 80.0%	D	66.9% - 60.0%
		F	Below 60%

IX COLLEGE POLICIES:

Northwest College Universal Syllabus Information

(Last Updated 8/20/18)

I. Northwest College ADA Statement

Northwest College is dedicated to removing barriers and opening access for students with disabilities in compliance with ADAAA and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. It is the student's responsibility to make an appointment with the Disability Support Services (DSS) Coordinator to provide documentation of a disability (whether it is psychiatric, learning, mobility, health related, or sensory) and to inquire about accommodations for courses each semester. To contact the DSS Coordinator, call 754-6135 or stop by the Student Success Center located in the lower level of Colter Hall.

II. Northwest College Title IX Policies

Title IX (Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972) is a federal law that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex or gender identity in any federally-funded education program or activity.

The law states, "No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance" (The United States Department of Justice).

Many people think of Title IX in terms of sports equality, but Title IX expands beyond sports. The Know Your IX site explains that Title IX "addresses discrimination against pregnant and parenting students and women in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) programs. It also addresses sexual harassment, gender-based discrimination, and sexual violence. Sexual violence includes attempted or completed rape or sexual assault, as well as sexual harassment, stalking, voyeurism, exhibitionism, verbal or physical sexuality-based threats or abuse, and intimate partner violence" (Know Your IX). You can read more about NWC's Title IX policies at: <https://www.nwc.edu/title9/understanding-title-ix/title-ix>

Mandatory Reporting Notice - It is important to note that all NWC employees (whether faculty, staff [including Resident Assistants], or administrators) are required to report incidents of sexual harassment, discrimination, or sexual misconduct to the Title IX Coordinator if we become aware of these situations.

III. Northwest College Nondiscrimination Notice

Northwest College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information or veteran status in its programs and activities. We are an Equal Opportunity Employer and Institution (EOE/EOI). Student inquiries concerning disability services shall be directed to the Disability

Support Services Coordinator, Student Success Center, 231 W 6th ST BLDG 4, Powell, WY 82435-1860; 307.754.6227. All other compliance inquiries shall be directed to the Compliance Officer, Orendorff Building, 231 W 6th ST BLDG 1, Powell, WY 82435-1898; 307.754.6098, or the Office of Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, Federal Building, 1244 Speer Blvd. #310, Denver, CO 80204-3582; 303.844.5695; FAX: 303.844.4303; TDD: 308.844.3417; OCR_Denver@ed.gov. Title IX inquiries: Title IX Coordinator, Orendorff Building, W 6th ST BLDG 1, Powell, WY 82435-1898; 307.754.6100; Title9@nwc.edu.

IV. Northwest College Respect for Diversity Statement

The Northwest College community includes a rich mix of individuals who, through their distinctive viewpoints, personalities, and life experiences, contribute to an intellectually stimulating and supportive culture. Northwest College's commitment to diversity is central to understanding and learning through the promotion of free and open inquiry and discussion.

We recognize that our success as an institution depends on an environment where all individuals are included in Northwest College's community regardless of, but not limited to race, age, gender identity, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, nationality, citizenship, religious affiliation, or disability.

V. Northwest College Course Withdrawal Procedure and Schedule

If you find that you no longer wish to remain in this class, you should officially drop or withdraw from it. Only you, the student, can initiate this process, and you are strongly encouraged to consult first with your academic advisor with regard to the effect on your program of study, financial aid status, etc. In order to drop or withdraw from class, you must meet certain deadlines and follow specific procedures:

- **To drop:** you can do this by the deadline listed below and no record will appear on your transcript. You can drop a class by logging onto WebAdvisor through your student portal, or your academic advisor can do it for you as well. You can also go to the Admissions Office and complete the appropriate form.
- **To withdraw:** after the "drop" deadline, your remaining option is to "withdraw" from this course. A mark of "W" will appear on your transcript, but it will not affect your GPA.
Again, you can withdraw from a class by the deadline listed below by logging onto WebAdvisor through your student portal, or your academic advisor can do it for you as well. You can also go to the Registration and Records Office and complete the appropriate form.
- If you merely stop logging onto this class, or cease submitting work even if you still logon, but do not officially remove yourself from class, then you will be subject to "Administrative Withdrawal" from the course, at the discretion of the instructor, up to the official

“Withdrawal” deadline mentioned above. Otherwise you shall definitely receive an “F.”

Drop/Add/Withdrawal deadlines are available on the Academic Calendar that can be found here:

<http://calendar.nwc.edu/site/academics/>

VI. Northwest College Statement on Academic Dishonesty

(*NOTE – This language is adapted from the NWC Student Handbook Academic Code of Conduct – please refer to that document for more information.)

Northwest College is committed to creating and maintaining an environment of academic honesty. It is the faculty’s responsibility to affirm the importance of academic integrity and to try to educate students as to standards of academic behavior. Students, too, bear the responsibility for academic integrity. Northwest College expects each student to learn and comply with academic expectations, display appropriate conduct in classroom situations, accept Northwest College’s “Student Academic Rights” and “Student Academic Responsibilities,” and preserve academic integrity by upholding the spirit and letter of the Academic Code of Conduct. Violations of academic integrity include but are not limited to the following: plagiarism, cheating, trafficking, copyright infringement, and interfering with the learning of other students.

VII. Northwest College Final Exam Schedule

The Final Exam Schedule for the current semester can be found here:

<https://nwc.edu/academics/finals.html>

VIII. Northwest College Student Resources

Northwest College offers a multitude of resources to increase student success including:

1. Northwest College Student Success Program
 - a. Contact Person – Ty Barrus (Ty.Barrus@nwc.edu)
 - b. Location – Lower level of Coulter Hall
 - c. Phone – (307) 754-6135
 - d. Website - <http://nwc.edu/services/success.html>
2. Northwest College Tutoring Center
 - a. Contact Person – Jen Schneider (jen.schneider@nwc.edu)
 - b. Location – 2nd Floor of Hinkley Library
 - c. Phone – (307) 754-6137
 - d. Website - <https://nwc.edu/tutoring/>
3. Northwest College Children’s Learning and Care Center
 - a. Contact Person – Autourina Mains (autourina.mains@nwc.edu)
 - b. Location – Children’s Learning and Care Center (beside the Fagerberg Building)
 - c. Phone – (307) 754-6188
 - d. Website - <https://nwc.edu/services/childcare/>

4. Hinckley Library
 - a. Contact Person – Nancy Miller (nancy.miller@nwc.edu)
 - b. Location – Hinkley Library
 - c. Phone – (307) 754-6207
 - d. Website - <http://nwc.edu/library/>
5. Project Succeed/Trio
 - a. Contact Person – Terri Meyer (terri.meyer@nwc.edu)
 - b. Location – Frisby Building 101
 - c. Phone – (307) 754-6224
 - d. Website - <https://nwc.edu/trio/>
6. Net-Tutor (on-line tutoring services)
 - a. Website - <http://nwc.edu/tutoring/online.html>

IX. Northwest College Emergency Procedures Guide (including evacuation assembly areas)

<https://nwc.edu/security/documents/Emergency%20Response%20Guide%202015.pdf>

