CHAMINADE UNIVERSITY PSY 101 GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY SPRING 2000 EVENING SESSION

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Text: Myers, D. G. (1998). *Psychology*, (5th Edition), New York: Worth Publishers.

Course Description:

This course will explore the general fields and concepts of psychology. Through readings, active participation, discussion, videos, and lectures will this exciting field of psychology be explored. The domains that will be surveyed include such areas as human development, sensation/perception, learning, emotion, personality, psychological disorders, social psychology, etc.

Course Objectives:

- 1. To have a broad understanding of the major domains and theories of psychology.
- 2. To become familiar with the basic concepts and terms of psychology.
- 3. To develop critical thinking skills and an understanding of the scientific method.
- 4. To appreciate the value of psychology and its applications to daily life.

Course Requirements:

 2 Midterm Exams (25 points each)
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 50 points (25%)

 1 Final Exam (50 Points)
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 50 points (25%)

 10 Assignments (10 points each)
 =
 100 points (50%)

 Total Points
 =
 200 points (100%)

Grade Scale:

A (90 – 100%) = 179-200 points B (80 – 89%) = 159-178 points C (70 – 79%) = 139-158 points D (60 – 69%) = 119-138 points F (59% and under) = 137 points and below

Exams:

There will be a total of 3 exams scheduled throughout the semester. The two midterm exams will consist of multiple choice, matching, short answer, and essay questions. For these exams you will be responsible for the material covered in class up to that point. The material covered in class includes class lectures, exercises/activities, and video information. The final exam is comprehensive and will be discussed in detail during class.

Assignments:

There will be 10 assignments given throughout the semester. Some assignments will be done in class, while some will be done outside of class. The instructions, expectations, and questions/answers will be given in class. Due dates are listed below. To earn a 10/10 (perfect score) the assignment must: be free of grammar and format errors; report accurate, organized, and detailed information; show evidence of analysis, reflection, and deep insight into the subject or topic area.

Philosophy:

Psychology 101 is a college level class and will be treated as such. Therefore, it is the student's responsibility to obtain lecture notes and/or assignments from their classmates if they miss class. However, there will be no make-up exams/quizzes. A missed exam/quiz will receive a score of zero. In addition, late assignments will not be accepted. As you can see there is a heavy emphasis in this class to stay on top of the material. The quizzes, exams, and assignments should reflect the quality of your effort.

My advice is to stay on top of your readings/assignments/lecture notes, study a little every night (instead of cramming the night before), attend each class, actively participate, and have fun. You should already know by now that attending each class <u>prepared</u> is in your best interest. With that said, let's have fun exploring this wonderful field of psychology!

Tentative Course/Reading Schedule:

Class	Topic(s)	Readings Due	Assignments Due
Date			
4/6	Administrative Talk, Introduction, & Critical Thinking	Into & Ch. 1	
4/13	Brain/Behavior, Consciousness, & Emotion	Ch.2, Ch.7, &Ch.13	#1
4/20	Development & Sensation	Ch.3, Ch.4 & Ch.5	#2
4/27	Exam 1 & Perception	Ch.6	#3
5/4	Learning, Memory, &Thinking/Language	Ch.8, Ch.9, & Ch.10	#4
5/11	Intelligence, Motivation, & Personality	Ch.11, Ch.12, & Ch.14	#5
5/18	Exam 2 & Social Psychology	Ch.18	#6
5/25	Psychological Disorders & Therapy	Ch.15 & Ch.16	#7
6/1	Final Exam 2		#8
6/8	Wrap-up—Last Day of Class!		#9 & #10