



IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE

Basic Course Information

Semester:	Fall 2024	Instructor:	Robert Wyatt
Course Title & #:	PSY 101: Intro to Psychology	Email:	Robert.wyatt@imperial.edu
CRN #:	11130	Webpage	www.imperial.edu
Classroom:	Online	Office #:	1714
Class Dates:	08/12 – 10/04	Office Hrs:	T/TR: 8:30 – 10:30 am/Zoom
Class Days:	Online	Office #:	760-355-6491
Class Times:	Online	Emergency:	Text - 760-355-6491
Units:	3	Modality:	Online

Course Description

An introduction to the study of human behavior and cognition. Includes consideration of many of the major topics in psychology including, but not limited to, the biology of behavior, learning, human development, sleep and consciousness, personality, mental disorders and therapy, and social processes.

Course Prerequisite(s) and/or Corequisite(s)

12th Grade Reading Level

Student Learning Outcomes

- I. Identify basic parts and functions of the neuron and lobes of the brain
- II. Identify different parenting styles and their effect on human development
- III. Identify major psychological disorders, key symptoms, and the main strategies used for treatment

Course Objectives

- I. Discuss the development of psychology as a science.
- II. Identify the major biologic response systems of the human body and discuss their influence on behavior
- III. Discuss the difference between sensation and perception, giving one illustration of each
- IV. Define consciousness and describe how sleep psychoactive substances and other stimuli affect consciousness
- V. Identify and describe the major theories of human development and discuss how growth and development affect behavior
- VI. Discuss the processes by which humans learn and store skills and information
- VII. Discuss major theories of personality, their assumptions and implications.
- VIII. Outline the nature, causes and treatments of abnormal behavior
- IX. Discuss the ways in which the social milieu affects human behavior
- X. Identify major theories of emotion and motivation



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Textbooks & Other Resources or Links

Exploring Psychology

Myers, D.

Worth Publishing

Course Requirements and Instructional Methods

Assignment	# of Assignments	Total Points
Class Discussions	6	600
Exams	5	250
Extra Credit	---	No more than 3% of your total grade

Course Grading Based on Course Objectives

Letter Grade	Percentage
A	100 - 90
B	89 - 80
C	79 - 70
D	69 - 60
F	59 - 00

Academic Honesty (Artificial Intelligence -AI)

IVC values critical thinking and communication skills and considers academic integrity essential to learning. Using AI tools as a replacement for your own thinking, writing, or quantitative reasoning goes against both our mission and academic honesty policy and will be considered academic dishonesty, or plagiarism unless you have been instructed to do so by your instructor. In case of any uncertainty regarding the ethical use of AI tools, students are encouraged to reach out to their instructors for clarification.



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Course Policies

Late Work: I do not accept late work because of the amount of time that I give per assignment. Under medical reasons and prior notification may be accepted.

Academic Integrity: I expect you to uphold the highest standards of academic integrity. Plagiarism, cheating, and any form of dishonesty will not be tolerated.

Communication: All class-related communication should be conducted through official channels (e.g., university email or learning management system).

Classroom Behavior: You are expected to behave respectfully towards classmates and the instructor. Disruptive behavior will not be tolerated.

IVC Student Resources

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Anticipated Class Schedule/Calendar

Week	Date	Chapter	Assignment
Week 1	08/12 – 08/16	Syllabus & Chapter 1	Class Discussion 1 Class Discussion 2
Week 2	08/19 – 08/23	Chapters 2 and 3	Test 1
Week 3	08/26 – 08/30	Chapters 4 and 5	Class Discussion 3
Week 4	09/02 – 09/06	Chapters 6 and 7	Test 2
Week 5	09/09 – 09/13	Chapters 8 and 9	Class Discussion 4 Class Discussion 5 Test 3
Week 6	09/16 – 09/20	Chapters 10 and 11	
Week 7	09/23 – 09/27	Chapters 12 and 13	Test 4
Week 8	09/30 – 10/04	Chapters 14 and 15	Class Discussion 6 Test 5

Subject to change without prior notice