

100 Introduction to Psychology

2:00-3:15 pm, Tuesday / Thursday (T/TR)

Behavioral Sciences Building (BSB) 250

4 Credit hours

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TEXT: Psychology: The Science of Person, Mind, and Brain (2015) by Daniel Cervone

NOTE: Loose Leaf or eBook are OK. Cheap versions available online.

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Overview of the field of psychology.

ATTENDANCE: This course relies on information presented during class that is **not available in-text**. It will be especially important to attend classes to perform well. If you are unable to attend a class, it is **your responsibility to obtain the materials** covered. Please inform me of any circumstance that would cause you to miss multiple classes.

SUBJECT POOL (PECOLSUS): <https://uic.sona-systems.com/>

BLACKBOARD: <https://uic.blackboard.com/webapps/login/>

- Course syllabus posted under **Syllabus**
- Additional course materials posted under **Materials**
- Shell* PowerPoint slides posted under **Lectures**

*Slides DO NOT contain key points, only figures/graphs and contextual details - You must come to lecture to fill in missing information on slides

DISCUSSION SECTION: In addition to attending lecture, you also will be attending a discussion section once a week. Critical information for the class will be presented in your discussion section, so you are strongly encouraged to attend. Attendance will be taken in your discussion section. You will earn points for coming to discussion section. Importantly, some material on the exam will be related to what you learn in your discussion section, so it is so important that you attend your discussion section.

DISABILITY SERVICES: If you require accommodations for a disability, please contact the Disability Resource Center for an appointment to discuss your needs and the process for requesting accommodations. Since accommodations may require early planning, please contact DRC as soon as possible:

Website: <http://drc.uic.edu>

(312) 413-2183 Voice

(312) 413-7781 FAX

DRC Staff Members contact information is available on the Meet the DRC Staff Page (<http://drc.uic.edu/meet-the-drc-staff>)

Please let me know if there is anything I can do to be helpful!

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY: Students will be held to the University's standards on academic dishonesty as described in the following Student Code of Conduct:

<http://dos.uic.edu/docs/Student%20Disciplinary%20Policy.pdf>

EVALUATION: Overview

Type	Points
3 (out of 4) Exams:	40 pts each = 120 pts
8 (out of 9) Quizzes:	10 pts each = 80 pts
2 Papers	40 pts each = 80 pts
8 Psych Experience Credits	10 pts each = 80 pts

TOTAL POINTS: 360 pts

GRADE SCALE:

A (89%) = 320 pts

B (79%) = 284 pts

C (69%) = 248 pts

D (59%) = 212 pts

Extra Credit: Extra credit opportunities will be available in discussion section only. The more you attend your discussion section, the more likely you will be there for an extra credit opportunity.

Makeup Policy: There are **NO** make-up exams/quizzes*. Missed exams/quizzes will be counted as a zero and subject to the drop policy.

Religious/Cultural Holidays: I respect and accommodate all religious/cultural holidays. *If a test or quiz conflicts with a holiday, you will be allowed to take a makeup version. However, you must give 1 week advanced notice so that accommodations can be made.

PSYCHOLOGY EXPERIENCE CREDITS (PEC): As part of this course, you are required to earn 8 Psychology Experience Credits (PECs) by any of three methods: (1) participating in Institutional Review Board (IRB)-approved research studies conducted under the supervision of Psychology Department faculty, (2) participating as a simulated client in one or more professional training sessions conducted by advanced undergraduate and graduate students in psychology, and/or (3) writing summaries of published empirical research using the resources of UIC's Daley Library. You can earn all 8 PECs by any one of these methods, or you may earn some PECs by each method. More information that explains each of these methods in more detail will be given to you during lecture on **Thursday, January 12th**.

PAPERS: There will be two papers you will need to complete in this course; more information will be given to you by the Teaching Assistant (TA) for your discussion section. If you have any questions about the papers ask your teaching assistant first, and if you still have a question after talking to your TA you can ask me. The deadline for your first paper is **Monday, February 20th at 11:59pm**, and the deadline for your second paper is **Monday, April 10th at 11:59pm**.

WRITING CENTER: Located in Grant Hall 105. Offers one-on-one consultation with students who need help developing ideas, or need advice, guidance or additional instruction on any aspects of writing in any class. Tutors are prepared to spend 50 minutes per appointment, and there is no limit to the number of tutoring sessions you are allowed each semester. Make an appointment ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE and be on time! For an appointment, call the Writing Center at (312) 413-2206, or stop by room 105 of Grant Hall. <http://writingcenter.uic.edu/> for more information.

Tentative Course Schedule

Date	Lecture # / Topic	Reading by Chapter (Read before class)	In-Class Quizzes
T 10-Jan	1 Orientation		
TR 12-Jan	2 Introduction to the Subject Pool and PECs		
T 17-Jan	3 Brief History	Ch. 1	
TR 19-Jan	4 Research Methods	Ch. 2	Quiz 1 (Syllabus)
T 24-Jan	5 Social	Ch. 12	
TR 26-Jan	6 Social		Quiz 2 (Ch. 1 & 2)
T 31-Jan	7 Social / Personality	Ch. 13	
TR 02-Feb	8 Personality		Quiz 3 (Ch. 12 & 13)
T 07-Feb	TEST 1 (Chapters 1, 2, 12 & 13)		
TR 09-Feb	09 Development	Ch. 14	
T 14-Feb	10 Development		
TR 16-Feb	11 Disorders 1	Ch. 15	Quiz 4 (Ch. 14)
T 21-Feb	12 Disorders 2	Ch. 16	
TR 23-Feb	13 Disorders 3		
T 28-Feb	14 Memory	Ch. 6	Quiz 5 (Ch. 15 & 16)
TR 02-Mar	15 Memory		
T 07-Mar	TEST 2 (Chapters 14, 15, 16 & 6)		
TR 09-Mar	16 Learning	Ch. 7	
T 14-Mar	17 Learning / Thinking, Language and Intelligence	Ch. 8	
TR 16-Mar	18 Thinking, Language and Intelligence		Quiz 6 (Ch. 7 & 8)
T 28-Mar	19 Consciousness	Ch. 9	
TR 30-Mar	20 Consciousness / Emotion, Stress, and Health	Ch. 10	
T 04-Apr	21 Emotion, Stress, and Health		Quiz 7 (Ch. 9)
TR 06-Apr	TEST 3 (Chapters 7, 8, 9, & 10)		
T 11-Apr	22 Motivation	Ch. 11	
TR 13-Apr	23 Brain and the Nervous System	Ch. 3	
T 18-Apr	24 Brain and the Nervous System		Quiz 8 (Ch. 3)
TR 20-Apr	25 Sensation and Perception		
T 25-Apr	26 Sensation and Perception	Ch. 5	Quiz 9 (Ch. 5)
TR 27-Apr	27 Wrap-up		
Wed May 3	TEST 4 (Final Exam) (Chapters 11, 3, & 5) 3:30-5:30pm in room 250 BSB (same as lecture)		