

**Psychological Testing (Fall 2021): PSCH 340 - 12228**  
**3 Credit Hours / Prerequisite: C or better in PSCH 242**  
**Online: 9:30-10:45, Lecture Center Building B101**

**INSTRUCTOR and TAs**

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<u>Role</u> : Homework & Exams	<u>Role</u> : Quizzes

**BOOK, BLACKBOARD and BASIC RULES**

**Text (optional)**: Kaplan, R. & Saccuzzo, D. (2013). *Psychological Testing: Principles, Applications & Issues* (8th ed.). Belmont, CA: Wadsworth/Cengage Learning. ISBN:978-1133492016: **No other materials are required.**

**Blackboard**: Course syllabus posted under **Syllabus**, homework assignments and data posted under **Homework**, PowerPoint slides posted under **Slides**, any additional course material posted under **Material**.

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**DRC, CHEATING and BASIC INFO**

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**Academic Dishonesty**: Students will be held to the University's standards on academic dishonesty: <http://dos.uic.edu/docs/Student%20Disciplinary%20Policy.pdf>

**Course Description**: Introduction to principles, applications and controversies of psychological assessment and standardized testing.

## EVALUATION:

*\*\*All work for this course will be submitted online using blackboard*

**Quizzes (1 & 2):** **20 pts (10 pts each)**

*\*Quizzes are posted at 9am and due by 10pm*

*\*Quiz grades penalized 2 points for every day late*

*\*Quizzes are short-answer format*

**Homework (1-3):** **30 pts (10 pts each)**

*\*Students have 1 week to complete each homework*

*\*Homework grades penalized 2 points for every day late*

**Exams (1 & 2):** **150 pts (75 pts each)**

*\*Students have 48 hours to complete each exam*

*\*Exam grades penalized 5 points for every day late*

*\*Exams are essay and short-answer format*

### **EXTRA CREDIT & GRADE DISPUTES**

*\*Extra credit may occur on quizzes and exams. No other extra points are available in this course.*

*\*All grade disputes must be resolved within 1 week of receiving the disputed grade.*

### **200 Total Course Points:**

**A = 180 pts = 90%**

**B = 160 pts = 80%**

**C = 140 pts = 70%**

**D = 120 pts = 60%**

**Course Outline: 8/24/2021-12/2/2021 \* Outline subject to change with advanced notice**

-- week 1--

**August 24:** Course Overview

**August 26:** Background and History

Reading: *Chapter 1*

-- week 2--

**August 31:** Statistics for Testing

Reading: *Chapter 2*

**September 2:** Statistics for Testing continued

Reading: *Chapter 2*

-- week 3--

**September 7:** SPSS Training 1

**Homework 1 Available (Due September 14<sup>th</sup>)**

**September 9:** Correlation

Reading: *Chapter 3*

-- week 4--

**September 14:** Correlation and Other Topics

Reading: *Chapter 3*

**Homework 1 Due (10 pts)**

**September 16:** QUIZ 1 (10 pts), SPSS Training 2

-- week 5--

**September 21:** Reliability

Reading: *Chapter 4*

**Homework 2 Available (Due September 28<sup>th</sup>)**

**September 23:** Reliability

Reading: *Chapter 4*

-- week 6--

**September 28:** Validity

Reading: *Chapter 5*

**Homework 2 Due (10 pts)**

**September 30:** QUIZ 2 (10 pts), SPSS Training 3

-- week 7--

**October 5:** EXAM 1 Posted

**October 7:** EXAM 1 Due (75 pts)

-- week 8--

**October 12:** Test Administration

Reading: *Chapter 7*

**October 14:** Writing and Evaluating Test Items

Reading: *Chapter 6*

**Homework 3 Available (Due October 21<sup>st</sup>)**

-- week 9--

**October 19:** Test Bias

Reading: *Chapter 19*

**October 21:** Test Bias continued

Reading: *Chapter 19*

**Homework 3 Due (10 pts)**

-- week 10--

**October 26:** Theories of Intelligence

Reading: *Chapter 10*

**October 28: Theories of Intelligence: TED Talks**

-- week 11--

**November 2:** Wechsler Scales

Reading: *Chapter 10*

**November 4:** Other Psychological Tests: Part 1

Reading: *Chapter 11*

-- week 12--

**November 9:** Other Psychological Tests: Part II

Reading: *Chapter 11*

**November 11:** Other Psychological Tests: Part III

Reading: *Chapter 16*

-- week 13--

**November 16:** Healthcare

Reading: *Chapter 15*

**November 18:** Knowledge Detection

-- week 14--

**November 23: Flex Day**

**November 25: Thanksgiving. No Classes**

-- week 15--

**November 30: EXAM 2 Posted**

**December 2: EXAM 2 Due (75 pts)**