

Psychological Testing (Spring 2022): PSCH 340 - 14680
3 Credit Hours / Prerequisite: C or better in PSCH 242 / Online: 2:00-3:15

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BOOK, BLACKBOARD and BASIC RULES

Text: 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**.

- 1. Do not disrespect or distract me or anyone else.**
- 2. Psych instructors are prohibited from modifying syllabus for individual students.**
- 3. Please indicate course number (i.e., PSCH 340) when sending emails.**
- 4. Emails are permanent professional records.**

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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): **30 pts (15 pts each)**

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

Homework (1-3): **45 pts (15 pts each)**

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

Exams (1 & 2): **120 pts (60 pts each)**

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

Data Collection **5 pts**

EXTRA CREDIT & GRADE DISPUTES

**Extra credit will occur on 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: 1/11/2022-4/28/2022 * Outline subject to change with advanced notice

-- week 1--

January 11: Course Overview

January 13: Background and History

Reading: *Chapter 1*

-- week 2--

January 18: Statistics for Testing

Reading: *Chapter 2*

January 20: Statistics for Testing continued

Reading: *Chapter 2*

-- week 3--

January 25: SPSS Training 1

Homework 1 Available (Due Feb 1st)

January 27: Correlation

Reading: *Chapter 3*

-- week 4--

February 1: Correlation and Other Topics

Reading: *Chapter 3*

Homework 1 Due (15 pts)

February 3: QUIZ 1 (15 pts), SPSS Training 2

-- week 5--

February 8: Reliability

Reading: *Chapter 4*

Homework 2 Available (Due Feb 15th)

February 10: Reliability

Reading: *Chapter 4*

-- week 6--

February 15: Validity

Reading: *Chapter 5*

Homework 2 Due (15 pts)

February 17: QUIZ 2 (15 pts), SPSS Training 3

-- week 7--

February 22: Test Administration

Reading: *Chapter 7*

February 24: Writing and Evaluating Test Items

Reading: *Chapter 6*

-- week 8--

March 1: EXAM 1 Q & A

March 3: EXAM 1 (60 pts)

-- week 9--

March 8: Theories of Intelligence

Reading: *Chapter 10*

Homework 3 Available (Due March 15th)

March 10: Movie: Intelligence

-- week 10--

March 15: Wechsler Scales

Reading: *Chapter 10*

Homework 3 Due (15 pts)

March 17: Wechsler Scales cont.

Reading: *Chapter 10*

March 21-25 Spring Break

-- week 11--

March 29: Other Psychological Tests: Education

Reading: *Chapter 11*

March 31: Other Psychological Tests: Personality

Reading: *Chapter 13*

-- week 12--

April 5: Data Collection (5 pts)

April 7: Psych Science in Testing + CBT

Reading: *Chapter 15*

-- week 13--

April 12: Testing in Healthcare

Reading: *Chapter 17*

April 14: Interests & Tests in Workplace

Reading: *Chapter 18*

-- week 14--

April 19: Knowledge Detection

April 21: Flex Day

-- week 15--

April 26: EXAM 2 Q & A

April 28: EXAM 2 (60 pts)