Piedmont Technical College Course Syllabus

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Prefix/Number: PSY 201

Title: General Psychology

Responsible Division: Arts and Sciences

Last Day to Withdraw from this Course: For the last date to withdraw from this course, consult the current *Student Calendar*.

Course Description:

For course, credit hour, pre-requisite(s) and co-requisite(s) information, visit the Detailed Course Information page: www.ptc.edu/courses/PSY201.

Textbook and Other Materials:

For textbook information and additional required and/or supplemental materials, visit the college bookstore (www.ptc.edu/bookstore).

Proctored Examinations:

Proctored examinations for distance learning courses taken at non-PTC campuses may require a proctoring fee for each exam taken.

COURSE POLICIES

Course policies are available online through the *Academic Catalog* and *Student Handbook*. Visit the Course Policies page (www.ptc.edu/syllabus/policies) for a detailed list of important policies and more information.

GRADE POLICY

Detailed grading policy information can be found on the Grading Policy webpage (http://www.ptc.edu/grading-policy). Final grade appeal information is available in the *Academic Catalog* (http://www.ptc.edu/catalog/).

ACCOMMODATIONS

Accommodations for ADA:

Information is available on the [Student Disability Services webpage](http://www.ptc.edu/ada) (http://www.ptc.edu/ada).

TITLE IX HARASSMENT AND SEXUAL ASSAULT INFORMATION

In accordance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Piedmont Technical College does not discriminate on the basis of sex in its education programs or activities. Title IX protects students, employees, and applicants from sex discrimination in admissions and employment to include discrimination based on gender identity or failure to conform to stereotypical notions of masculinity or femininity. More information regarding Title IX, including contact information for the Title IX coordinators, is available at [Title IX Harassment and Sexual Assault Information](https://www.ptc.edu/about/legal-disclosures/title-ix-harassment-and-sexual-assault-information) (https://www.ptc.edu/about/legal-disclosures/title-ix-harassment-and-sexual-assault-information).

RATIONALE

Why do I need this course?

Psychology is the study of behavior and mental processes. Every individual who works with people should have knowledge of "why people are the way they are." This knowledge can help you understand others, and it can also help you understand yourself. With a better understanding of oneself and others, you should be able to function at higher levels both at home and at work.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

For program information including required courses, program learning outcomes, gainful employment information and advisement information, refer to the Academic Program webpage. Go to [Academics](http://www.ptc.edu/academics) (http://www.ptc.edu/academics), select your program, and then select Credentials Offered.

COURSE STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

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Upon successful completion of this course and/or clinical, each student will be able to:

- Students will demonstrate familiarity with the major concepts, theoretical perspectives, empirical findings, and historical trends in psychology.
- Students will be able to describe and apply basic research methods in psychology, including research design, data analysis, and interpretation.
- Students will use critical and creative thinking, skeptical inquiry, and when possible, the scientific approach to solve problems related to behavior and mental processes.
- Students will understand and apply psychological principles to personal, social, and organizational issues.
- Students will demonstrate information competency and the ability to use computers and other technology for many purposes.

GENERAL EDUCATION COMPETENCIES

Piedmont Technical College General Education Competencies for All Graduates:

This course may address one or more of the following General Education Competencies (assessment will be stated when applicable):

Communicate effectively.

Assessment:

This competency will be assessed through interactive discussion questions (boards).

Apply mathematical skills appropriate to an occupation.

Assessment:

N/A

Employ effective processes for resolving problems and making decisions.

Assessment:

This competency will be assessed using class assignments, discussion and lecture topics that demonstrate the ability to use critical thinking skills related to behavior and mental processes.

Demonstrate the basic computer skills necessary to function in a technological world.

Assessment:

This competency will be assessed using computers and other technology for assignments and communication with instructor via e-mail.

To validate proficiency in the general education competencies, students in some programs will be tested using Work Keys.

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