

CHESS Name of Department: **Instructor Name:** Deborah Moore Office Hours: Online via UNMLearn Message Center or by appointment on E-mail: Please contact your instructor via the UNMLearn Message Center (if UNMLearn is down you can email moored@unm.edu) 277-0697 Telephone: **Class Meeting:** Online Days/Times: Online Semester: Fall 2019 (August 19 – December 14) Syllabus PSYC 1110 503 Introduction to Psychology (CRN 63855) Title of Course: This course will introduce students to the concepts, theories, significant **Course Description:** findings, methodologies, and terminology that apply to the field of psychology. **Credit Hours:** 3 Credit Hours Upon completion of the course students should be able to: **Student Learning** 1. Explain how the scientific method and psychological research **Objectives** methodologies are used to study the mind and behavior. and Outcomes: 2. Recall key terms, concepts, and theories in the areas of neuroscience, learning, memory, cognition, intelligence, motivation and emotion, development, personality, health, disorders and therapies, and social psychology. 3. Explain how information provided in this course can be applied to life in the real world. 4. Identify the major theoretical schools of thought that exist in psychology as they relate to the self, the culture, and the society. Required Text(s) and Exploring Psychology – 10<sup>th</sup> Edition (required textbook) Author: Mvers **Supporting Materials: ISBN:** 9781464154072 Copyright Year: 2016 **Publisher:** Worth Publishing Company **Disabilities Policy:** In accordance with University Policy 2310 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), any student needing academic accommodations should first contact Equal Access Services at 925-8560 (Student Services Bldg.) It is also imperative that you take the initiative to bring such needs to the instructor's attention, as your instructor is not legally permitted to inquire. Students who may require assistance in emergency evacuations should contact the instructor as to the most appropriate procedures to follow.

# Please refer to the Student Handbook for the following:

- Academic Dishonesty Policy
- Cellphone and Pager Policy
- Attendance and Classroom Behavior Policy

#### **Course Outline**

<u>Teaching Methods</u>: Psyc 1110 will use a variety of online approaches to meet the course outcomes. These instructional methods may include, but are not limited to reading the textbook and articles, discussions, examinations, self-evaluation, written assignments, computer and on-line activities, and decision-making exercises.

Attendance: Regular log-in to the UNMLearn is required and will enhance student learning. Students who do not log-in within the first three days of class will be dropped from the class. Students who do not complete 3 consecutive assignments/quizzes will be dropped from the course. Students should not assume they will be dropped from the class automatically. Students must take the initiative in arranging with their instructor to make up missed work. If approved, the instructor will assign new deadlines for submission of make-up work.

Students who are dropped by an instructor for non-attendance will be notified at their UNM e-mail address. If the student believes a mistake has been made, he or she must contact the instructor within two working days of receipt of the drop notification.

<u>Due Dates</u>: The due dates for all work will be posted in the corresponding weekly learning module. <u>These</u> <u>deadlines</u> <u>will not be extended and no make-up work will be permitted unless approved by instructor.</u>

<u>Make Up Work</u>: Is only permitted after the student has communicated with the instructor and provided written documentation of an illness or other emergency.

<u>Learning Modules</u>: Each week students will work within a learning module. The Learning module will contain the reading assignments from the textbook and instructions for the discussion and chapter assignments as well as the deadlines for all work to be submitted. Grading rubrics will also be included when applicable.

**Chapter Assignments:** Each week students will have one chapter assignments (15 total assignments). Each chapter assignment will be worth 20 points for a possible total of 300 points. Instructions for completion of assignments, submission of assignments, and deadlines for submission of assignments are included in each weekly learning module. (300 points).

Research Paper: You are required to complete one research project. Choose a topic from the topics listed in UNMLearn Research Paper link. You must obtain topic approval by me prior to submitting it. Send me your topic idea, introductory paragraph and list of references to be used by the deadline indicated on the Schedule. Your paper must be in APA style and 3-5 pages, double-spaced (this page count does not include the additional title and reference pages, which are also required). You must use outside sources (other than your text book) such as internet sites, and psychological journal articles. A minimum of 3 outside sources must be used. See schedule for due date. (50 points).

<u>Discussion Board:</u>. Each week students will be asked to post a discussion regarding a compelling topic related to the relevant reading for the week (see chapter learning modules). All students are also required to post two peer responses for each discussion assignment. See Discussion Instructions for more details. Primary posts must be at least 100 words and include an in text citation (acknowledgement of your source) and the source must be listed in APA format at the end of your post as well. Each discussion assignment is worth a total of 10 points. (150 points)

<u>Chapter Quizzes:</u> Each week students will complete a multiple-choice quiz covering the assigned weekly chapter(s). Each quiz will contain 10 questions (2 points each) for a total of 20 points. There will be 15 chapter quizzes administered during the semester. (300 points)

<u>Cumulative Final Exam:</u> The cumulative final exam will be worth 100 points. It will consist of questions from all seven chapters covered in the course. The final exam will be given during the last three days of class. A study guide will be provided to students prior to the exam (100 points)

## COURSE GRADING PROCEDURES

Chapter Assignments = 300 points

Chapter Quizzes = 300 points

Weekly Discussion Board = 150 points

Research Paper = 50 points

Final Exam = 100 points

## **TOTAL POINTS = 900 POINTS**

## Student grades are based on the following department grading scale:

A = 100-90% (900 - 810 points)

B = 89-80% (809 - 720 points)

C = 79-70% (719 – 630 points)

D = 69-60% (629 - 540 points)

F = 59% and below (539 points and below)

In the event UNM closes during the final week of classes, final grades for students will be calculated based on all work assessed up to that point in the course.

# WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Beginning Date		Ending Date
Monday, August 19 Learning Module 1	Chapter 1 Thinking Critically With Psychological Science	Sunday, August 25
Monday, August 26 Learning Module 2	Chapter 2 The Biology of Behavior	Sunday, September 1
Monday, September 2 Learning Module 3	Chapter 3 Consciousness and the Two-Track Mind	Sunday, September 8
	Research Paper Topic and Outline Due	
Monday, September 9	Chapter 4 Developing Through the Life-Span	Sunday, September 15
Learning Module 4		
Monday, September 16 Learning Module 5	Chapter 5 Sex, Gender, and Sexuality	Sunday, September 22
Monday, September 23 Learning Module 6	Chapter 6 Sensation and Perception	Sunday, September 29
Monday, September 30 Learning Module 7	Chapter 7 Learning	Sunday, October 6

Monday, October 7 Learning Module 8	Chapter 8 Memory	Sunday, October 13
Monday, October 14 Learning Module 9	Chapter 9 Thinking, Language, and Intelligence	Sunday, October 20
Monday, October 21 Learning Module 10	Chapter 10 Motivation and Emotion	Sunday, October 27
Monday, October 28 Learning Module 11	Chapter 11 Stress, Health, and Human Flourishing	Sunday, November 3
Monday, November 4 Learning Module 12	Chapter 12 Social Psychology	Sunday, November 10
Monday, November 11 Learning Module 13	Chapter 13 Personality	Sunday, November 17
Monday, November 18 Learning Module 14	Chapter 14 Psychological Disorders	Sunday, November 24
Monday, November 25 Learning Module 15	Research Paper Due	Sunday, December 1
Monday, December 2 Learning Module 16	Chapter 15 Therapy	Sunday, December 8
Monday, December 9	Final Exam	Saturday, December 14

This Syllabus, including the Course Schedule, is subject to change at the discretion of the instructor as needed and in accordance with UNM Valencia Academic Policies.