

University of New Mexico Valencia
Syllabus
Spring 2022

Course: Introduction Psychology 1110

Meeting Location – UNM Valencia – VAAS 101

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Office Hours: Online UNM Learn/email/zoom – Monday & Wednesday 6:30 -7:00pm or appointment. If a zoom meeting is preferred send an email or course message.

Course Description: This course will introduce students to the concepts, theories, significant findings, methodologies, and terminology that apply to the field of psychology.

Learning Goals: Upon completion of the course students should be able to:

- Explain how the scientific method and psychological research methodologies are used to study the mind and behavior.
- 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.
- Explain how information provided in this course can be applied to life in the real world.
- Identify the major theoretical schools of thought that exist in psychology as they relate to the self, the culture, and the society.

Instruction: Weekly assignments will be assigned Monday and will be due the following Monday

Late work will only be allowed with a valid documented reason.

Attendance: Assignments will be posted weekly. Student will be dropped if first assignment is not completed. Students are expected to complete weekly assignments

Textbook: Ciccarelli, S & White, J.N., White., Psychology an Exploration, fifth edition.

Technology: A computer and internet are helpful in order to complete assignments. Take into account power outages, computer problems or other potential issues. I can work with students as long as you contact me immediately with any problems.

Grading: The final semester grade will reflect 50% from the high school grade and 50% from the online component. The online grade will be based on the following required assignments.

- 1 Reflection Paper.....15 pts
- 1 Article Response15 pts
- 8 Quizzes.....40 pts each
- 1 Theorist Paper20 pts
- Midterm Exam.....50 pts
- Final Exam.....50 pts

There are 470 possible points. Grades will be based on the following grade scale.

Grade	Grade Points	Score Range
A+	4.33	99 - 100
A	4.00	94- 98.9
A-	3.67	90 – 93.9
B+	3.33	87- 89.9
B	3.00	84 – 86.9
B-	2.67	80 – 83.9
C+	2.33	77 – 79.9
C	2.00	72 – 76.9
C-	1.67	67 – 71.9
D+	1.33	64 – 66.9
D	1.00	60 – 63.9
D-	0.67	60
F	0.00	0

My Grades: It is your responsibility to track your grades. If you have questions or concerns you must contact me within one week of the grades being posted. It is important that you check your grades once a week.

Tips for Success

- Read the unit before attending class
- Submit assignments before or on the due date
- Keep up with weekly announcements, grades, and assignments. Contact/email me immediately with questions or concerns

Academic Integrity: Having academic integrity is paramount to your success in any class. Plagiarism or cheating is not tolerated. Any instance of this will result in a grade of zero for that assignment. Here is the link to the UNM Academic Dishonesty Policy:

<https://policy.unm.edu/regents-policies/section-4/4-8.html>. The policy states:

Each student is expected to maintain the highest standards of honesty and integrity in academic and professional matters. The University reserves the right to take disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal, against any student who is found guilty of academic dishonesty or who otherwise fails to meet the expected standards. Any student judged to have engaged in academic dishonesty in course work may receive a reduced or failing grade for the work in question and/or for the course.

Academic Dishonesty is defined as:

"Academic dishonesty" includes, but is not limited to, dishonesty in quizzes, tests, or assignments; claiming credit for work not done or done by others; hindering the academic work of other students; misrepresenting academic or professional qualifications within or without the University; and nondisclosure or misrepresentation in filling out applications or other University records.

Students with Disabilities: Include a statement such as the following:

If you have a documented disability, the Equal Access Services office will provide me with a letter outlining your accommodations. I will then discuss the accommodations with you to determine the best learning environment. If you feel that you need accommodations, but have not documented your disability, the contacts of the Office of Equal Access Services is 505-925-8560 and the link is: <http://valencia.unm.edu/about/accessibility.html>

Equal Opportunity and Non Discrimination: In an effort to meet obligations under Title IX, UNM faculty, Teaching Assistants, and Graduate Assistants are considered "responsible employees" by the Department of Education (see page 15 - <http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/qa-201404-title-ix.pdf>). This designation requires that any report of gender discrimination which includes sexual harassment, sexual misconduct and sexual violence made to a faculty member, TA, or GA must be reported to the Title IX Coordinator at the Office of Equal Opportunity (oeo.unm.edu). For more information on the campus policy regarding sexual misconduct, see: <https://policy.unm.edu/university-policies/2000/2740.html>.

Citizenship and/or Immigration Status: All students are welcome in this class regardless of citizenship, residency, or immigration status. Your professor will respect your privacy if you choose to disclose your status. As for all students in the class, family emergency-related absences are normally excused with reasonable notice to the professor, as noted in the attendance guidelines above. UNM as an institution has made a core commitment to the success of all our students, including members of our undocumented community. The Administration's welcome is found on our website: <http://undocumented.unm.edu/>.

Immunization and Mask Mandates

UNM Administrative Mandate on Required Vaccinations. All students, staff, and instructors are required by UNM Administrative Mandate on Required Vaccinations to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 as soon as possible, but no later than September 30, 2021, and must provide proof of vaccination or of a UNM validated limited exemption or exemption no later than September 30, 2021 to the UNM vaccination verification site. Students seeking medical exemption from the vaccination policy must submit a request to the UNM verification site for review by the UNM Accessibility Resource Center. Students seeking religious exemption from the vaccination policy must submit a request for reasonable accommodation to the UNM verification site for review by the Compliance, Ethics, and Equal Opportunity Office. For further information on the requirement and on limited exemptions and exemptions, see the UNM Administrative Mandate on Required Vaccinations.

UNM Requirement on Masking in Indoor Spaces

All students, staff, and instructors are required to wear face masks in indoor classes, labs, studios and meetings on UNM campuses, see masking requirement. Qualified music students must follow appropriate specific mask policies issued by the Chair of the Department of Music and the Dean of the College of Fine Arts. Students who do not wear a mask indoors on UNM campuses can expect to be asked to leave the classroom and to be dropped from a class if failure to wear a mask occurs more than once in that class. Students and employees who do not wear a mask in classrooms and other indoor public spaces on UNM campuses are subject to disciplinary actions. UNM will periodically evaluate and update the mask policy relative to public health conditions.

Communication on change in modality: The President and Provost of UNM may direct that class move to remote delivery at any time to preserve the health and safety of the students, instructor and community. Please check [fill in your communication system] regularly for updates about our class and please check <https://bringbackthepack.unm.edu> regularly for general UNM updates about COVID-19 and the health of our community.

*Instructor reserves the right to make changes based on variation of content reviewed.

Week	Unit-Topic
1 Jan 17 - 21	Introduction & Review of DC syllabus/content Reflection Paper
2 Jan 24 - 28	Unit 1 Science of Psychology
3 Jan 31 – Feb 4	Unit 3 Biological Quiz 1
4 Feb 7 - 11	Unit 4 Sensation/Perception Quiz 2
5 Feb 14 - 18	Unit 10 Personality Quiz 3
6 Feb 21 - 25	Unit 8 Motivation/Emotion Theorist Paper
7 Feb 28 – March 4	Unit 14 Social Psychology Quiz 4
8 March 7 - 11	High School Spring Break Quiz 5
9 March 14 – 18	UNM Spring Break
10	Unit 6

March 21 - 25	Learning/Memory Midterm
11 March 28 – April 1	Unit 5 Consciousness Quiz 6
12 April 4 - 8	Unit 12 Article Response Disorders/Abnormal
13 April 11 - 15	Unit 13 Disorders/Treatment & Therapy Quiz 7
14 April 18 - 22	Unit 7 Cognition: thinking, intelligence & language Quiz 8
15 April 25 - 29	Final Exam
16 May 2 - 6	Final Reflection (Extra Credit – Optional)