



上海交通大学 继续教育学院

暑期学校  
SUMMER SCHOOL

## Shanghai Jiao Tong University

### PS906 Introductory Psychology

**Term:** May 29 – June 23, 2017

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**Class Hours:** Monday through Friday, 120 minutes each day (2,400 minutes in total)

**Office Hours:** To be determined

**Discussion session:** 3 hours each week

**Total Contact Hours:** 64 contact hours (45 minutes each, 48 hours in total)

**Credit:** 4 units

#### Course Description

##### Course Objective:

The purpose of this course is to introduce you to the field of psychology, including research methods.

#### Course Goals

There are three major sub-goals:

- To explain how psychologists think about and study behavior.
- To introduce you to the body of knowledge and underlying principles that currently exist in the field.
- To encourage reflection about the implications of psychological research for everyday life.

#### Required Text

Myers, D. G. & DeWall, C. N. (2016). *Psychology* (11<sup>th</sup> Edition). NY: Worth Publishers. This is an ebook that comes with LaunchPad, an interactive online teaching resource. *To get both the ebook and LaunchPad, you need to order this package from the publisher.*

#### Grading Policy

Course grades will be based on your two exam scores and one 500-word paper. The exams will be 80 multiple-choice questions (with four options for each question). Exams account for 75% of your grade. The LaunchPad assignments will be explained in class. By purchasing the ebook, you will also receive the LaunchPad resource, from which the assignments are given and completions are sent to my gradebook. For each assigned LaunchPad opportunity, you can earn points toward your final grade. The grand total of points will comprise 25% of your final cumulative score upon which your final grade is based.



Number grade	Letter grade	GPA
90-100	A	4.0
85-89	A-	3.7
80-84	B+	3.3
75-79	B	3.0
70-74	B-	2.7
67-69	C+	2.3
65-66	C	2.0
62-64	C-	1.7
60-61	D	1.0
≤59	F (Failure)	0

### Course Schedule:

This schedule is only an approximation. The instructor may extend, shorten, or even re-arrange the lectures. All students are responsible for any changes mentioned in class, including changes in test dates.

<i>Week</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Reading</i>
1	May 29, Mon	Introduction—Go over syllabus; answer questions Thinking Critically with Psychological Science	Chapter 1
	May 30, Tue	Thinking Critically with Psychological Science; The Biology of the Mind	Chapter 1 Chapter 2
	May 31, Wed	The Biology of the Mind; The Brain	Chapter 2
	June 1, Thur	Developing Through the Lifespan: Early	Chapter 5
	June 2, Fri	...Later development	Chapter 5
2	June 5, Mon	Sensation	Chapter 6
	June 6, Tue	Perception	Chapter 6
	June 7, Wed	Learning: Classical conditioning	Chapter 7
	June 8, Thur	...Operant conditioning/Social Learning	Chapter 7
	<b>June 9, Fri</b>	<b>EXAM 1</b>	
3	June 12, Mon	Memory	Chapter 8
	June 13, Tue	Thinking & Language	Chapter 9
	June 14, Wed	Intelligence	Chapter 10
	June 15, Thur	Motivation	Chapter 11
	June 16, Fri	Emotion	Chapter 12
4	June 19, Mon	Personality	Chapter 14
	June 20, Tue	Psychological Disorders	Chapter 15
	June 21, Wed	Therapy	Chapter 16
	June 22, Thur	Social Psychology	Chapter 13
	<b>June 23, Fri</b>	<b>EXAM 2</b>	