



PS906 Introductory Psychology: Principles of Psychology

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Term:	2 July - 2 August, 2018	Credits:	4 units
Classroom:	303	Teaching Assistant(s):	TBD
Class Hours:	Monday through Thursday, 10:40am-12:40pm		
Discussion Session:	2 hours each week, conducted by teaching assistant(s) Tues @ 1-3pm		
Total Contact Hours:	66 contact hours (1 contact hour = 45 mins, 3000 mins in total)		
Required Texts (w/ ISBN):	Myers, D. G. & DeWall, C. N. (2016). Psychology (11th Edition). NY: Worth Publishers.		
Prerequisite:	N/A		



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. o 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.

Grading Policy

Course grades will be based on 2 exam scores, one 500-word paper, and a participation grade.
--Exams will be 50 multiple-choice questions (with four options for each question) = 75 points
--500-word paper = 15 points
--Participation = 10 points
*NOTE: Per SJTU policy, >6 absences automatically result in a failing grade for the course.

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.

Date	Topic	Reading
WEEK 1		
2-Jul	Introduction—Go over syllabus; answer questions	Chapter 1
	Thinking Critically with Psychological Science	
3-Jul	Thinking Critically with Psychological Science;	Chapter 1 & 2
	The Biology of the Mind	
4-Jul	The Biology of the Mind; The Brain	Chapter 2
5-Jul	Developing Through the Lifespan: Early	Chapter 5
WEEK 2		
9-Jul	...Later development	Chapter 5
10-Jul	Sensation	Chapter 6
11-Jul	Perception	Chapter 6
12-Jul	Learning: Classical conditioning	Chapter 7
WEEK 3		
16-Jul	...Operant conditioning/Social Learning	Chapter 7
17-Jul	EXAM 1	
18-Jul	Memory	Chapter 8
19-Jul	Thinking & Language	Chapter 9



Date	Topic	Reading
WEEK 4		
23-Jul	Intelligence	Chapter 10
24-Jul	Motivation	Chapter 11
25-Jul	Emotion	Chapter 12
26-Jul	Personality	Chapter 14
WEEK 5		
30-Jul	Psychological Disorders	Chapter 15
31-Jul	Therapy	Chapter 16
1-Aug	Social Psychology	Chapter 13
2-Aug	EXAM 2 (Thursday)	