

## PSYC 1560 - General Psychology

Fall 2026 Syllabus, Section 17, CRN 41058,

Credit hours: 3

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### Course Description

1560. General Psychology. An examination of scientific and clinical approaches to understanding the relationships between one's physical, mental, and emotional well-being, and quality of life, including the basic principles governing the growth and maintenance of behavior, emotion, and cognition. 3 s.h.

### Course Readings

| Group    | Title                                                | Author                | ISBN |
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| Required | Introduction to Psychology: The Full Noba Collection | Diener Education Fund |      |

The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

### Schedule of Topics and Assignments

| Week of | Reading(s) | Proposed Topic             | Due/To Prepare for Class                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| 8/24    | Chapter 1  | Introduction to Psychology | Due 8/26 at 11:59pm:<br>Journal Assignment Ch 1<br>Due 8/30 at 11:59pm:<br>Reading assignment Ch 1<br>Homework Assignment Ch 1<br>Journal Assignment Ch 2                                                                         |
| 8/31    | Chapter 2  | Neuroscience & Behavior    | Due 9/6 at 11:59pm:<br>Reading Assignment Questions Ch2<br>Homework Assignment Ch 2<br>Journal Assignment Ch 3                                                                                                                    |
| 9/7     | Chapter 3  | Sensation and Perception   | Due 9/13 at 11:59pm:<br>Reading Assignment Ch 3<br>Homework Ch 3<br>Due 9/13 before 11:59:51pm:<br>Discussion #1 (Initial Response due by 9/6,<br>Replies due by 9/13) - Reply<br>Due 9/13 at 11:59pm:<br>Journal Assignment Ch 4 |

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| 9/14  | Chapter 4  | States of Consciousness              | Due 9/20 at 11:59pm:<br>Reading Assignment Ch 4<br>Homework Ch 4<br>Due 9/20 before 9:48:31am:<br>Discussion #2 (Initial response due by 9/13,<br>Replies by 9/20) - Reply<br>Due 9/20 at 11:59pm:<br>Exam 1 (chs 1-4)<br>Journal Assignment Ch 5 |
| 9/21  | Chapter 5  | Learning                             | Due 9/27 at 11:59pm:<br>Reading Assignment Chapter 5<br>Homework Ch 5<br>Journal Assignment Ch 6                                                                                                                                                  |
| 9/28  | Chapter 6  | Memory                               | Due 10/4 at 11:59pm:<br>Reading Assignment Ch 6<br>Homework Ch 6<br>Due 10/4 before 11:59:46pm:<br>Discussion #3 (Initial Response due 9/27,<br>Replies due 10/4) - Reply<br>Due 10/4 at 11:59pm:<br>Journal Assignment Ch 7                      |
| 10/5  | Chapter 7  | Thinking, Learning, and Intelligence | Due 10/11 at 11:59pm:<br>Reading Assignment Ch 7<br>Homework Ch 7<br>Exam 2 (Chs 5, 6, 7)<br>Journal Assignment Ch 8                                                                                                                              |
| 10/12 | Chapter 8  | Motivation and Emotion               | Due 10/18 at 11:59pm:<br>Reading Assignment Question Ch 8<br>Homework Ch 8<br>Journal Assignment Ch 9                                                                                                                                             |
| 10/19 | Chapter 9  | Development                          | Due 10/25 at 11:59pm:<br>Reading Assignment Question Ch 9<br>Homework Ch 9<br>Journal Assignment Ch 10                                                                                                                                            |
| 10/26 | Chapter 10 | Personanlity                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 11/2  | Chapter 11 | Health Psychology                    | Due 11/1 at 11:59pm:<br>Homework Ch 10<br>Journal Assignment Ch 11<br>Reading Assignment Question Ch 10                                                                                                                                           |
| 11/9  | Chapter 12 | Psychological Disorders              | Due 11/8 at 11:59pm:<br>Homework Ch 11<br>Reading Assignment Question Ch 11<br>Journal Assignment Ch 12<br>Exam 3(8, 9, 10, 11)                                                                                                                   |
| 11/16 | Chapter 13 | Treatment of Psychological Disorders | Due 11/15 at 11:59pm:<br>Homework Ch 12<br>Journal Assignment Ch 13<br>Reading questions Ch 12                                                                                                                                                    |
| 11/23 | Chapter 14 | Social Psychology                    | Due 11/22 before 11:59:29pm:<br>Discussion #4 (initial response due by<br>11/15, Replies due by 11/22) - Reply<br>Due 11/22 at 11:59pm:<br>Homework CH 13<br>Journal Assignment CH 14<br>Reading Assignment Questions Ch 13                       |

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| 11/30 | No new material. | Catch up week | Due 11/29 before 11:59:56pm:<br>Discussion #5 (Initial Response due by 11/22, replies due by 11/29) - Reply<br>Due 11/29 at 11:59pm:<br>Homework ch 14<br>Reading questions Ch 14<br>Exam 4 (Ch 12-14) |
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