

PSYC 3702 - Abnormal Psychology

Fall 2026 Syllabus, Section 04, CRN 40392,

Credit hours: 3

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Course Description

3702. Abnormal Psychology. Patterns of deviant behavior, including current systems of classification; classic syndromes; the nature and trend of major maladjustments; possible causative factors; and methods of prevention and treatment. Prereq.: PSYC 1560. 3 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Required	Abnormal Psychology: Clinical Perspectives on Psychological Disorders (10th ed.)	Whitbourne, S. K.	9781266016011

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

Tentative Course Schedule (Subject to Change)

Week of	Reading(s)	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
8/24	Chapter 1	Overview to Understanding Abnormal Behavior	
8/31	Chapter 2	Diagnosis and Treatment	
9/7	Chapters 3 and 4	Assessment; Theoretical Approaches	
9/14		Exam 1	Review/Materials Due Tuesday; Exam Thursday
9/21	Chapter 5	Neurodevelopmental Disorders	
9/28	Chapter 6	Schizophrenia Spectrum Disorders	
10/5	Chapter 7	Depressive and Bipolar Disorders	
10/12		Exam 2	Review/Materials Due Tuesday; Exam Thursday
10/19	Chapters 8 and 9	Anxiety Disorders, Obsessive Compulsive Disorders, and Dissociative Disorders	
10/26	Chapter 10	Feeding and Eating Disorders; Conduct Disorders	

11/2	Chapter 11	Paraphilic Disorders	
11/9		Exam 3	Review/Materials Due Tuesday; Exam Thursday
11/16	Chapters 12 and 13	Substance Related and Addictive Disorders; Neurocognitive Disorders	
11/23	Chapter 14	Personality Disorders	
11/30	Chapter 15	Ethical and Legal issues	Review/Materials Due Thursday
12/7		Exam 4	Exam December 8 at 3:15 pm

The course schedule, policies, procedures, and assignments in this course are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, by mutual agreement, and/or to ensure better learning.