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**Psychology 1101 01: Introduction to Psychology I**

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Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 10:35 to 11:25

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***Prerequisite****:*  ENG 0012 with a grade of C or higher (or equivalent)

***Goals of the Course:*** The purpose of the course is to provide an overview of several areas of the study of human thought and behaviour. We will examine the biological bases of behaviour and move on to how humans perceive the world given the sensory inputs. We will also study some higher cognitive functions such as language and memory and conclude with an investigation of motivation and emotional contributions to human behavior. You will learn to evaluate the theories in terms of their experimental support and their usefulness in explaining human behaviour.

This course is a survey of a broad field of study and covers many topics. You will understand the mechanisms of neural communication and be able to describe the functional mechanisms of the nervous system. You will learn to identify the physical events to which our senses respond, describe how our bodies convert them to neural signals, and how we interpret and use this information. You will also understand basic learning theories that apply to lower animals as well as humans. You will apply models of memory and language that focus on human learning and you will be able to explain and predict several phenomena relating to memory for simple facts as well as complex learning such as you will do in this course. You will also become familiar with the underlying ideas behind intelligence testing and be able to formulate arguments for and against the use of such a measure in schools and other elements of society.

***Classes and Assignments****:* We will meet together in three classes each week. These will generally be lecture format but with several opportunities for discussion and questions are encouraged Each week you will prepare a short [reading assignment](#tutorial) which is outlined on the following page. **Please submit these to Moodle on or before the first day we discuss the chapter in class.** We will sometimes use your assignments as part of class or small group activities. Moreover, for each chapter we cover you will be asked to complete a chapter quiz online. This will be short (10 multiple choice questions) and you will have 5 tries to complete the quiz for each chapter (The questions and answer order may change for each attempt. There are two exams: a midterm and a final that will include multiple choice and short answer essay questions. You are expected to attend all lectures and complete all assignments and exams in timely fashion. Should there be a problem with those expectations please see me to arrange an alternative way to satisfy your obligations. I reserve the right to deduct grade points for unexcused late work.

***Textbook*:** [Nolen-Hoeksema, S., Fredrickson, B. L.,,Loftus, G. R. and Lutz, C., (2014) Atkinson and Hilgard's Introduction to Psychology (16th edition), Cengage Publishing. ISBN-13: 978-1-4080-8902-6 / ISBN-10: 1-4080-8902-5](https://www.cengage.co.uk/books/9781408089026/)

**Grading:**

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| 15 % | [Weekly assignments](#tutorial)/ class participation |
| 30 % | Chapter Quizzes |
| 25 % | Midterm Exam |
| 30 % | Final Exam |

***Weekly Assignment****:* ***Due each MONDAY before we begin the chapter.***

Each week we will read at least one chapter of the text plus occasional supplementary materials. To help prepare you for our discussion of the material I ask that you do the following short assignment. This assignment should not take much of your time as each point should only be a sentence or two. **PLEASE SUBMIT TO MOODLE ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST DAY WE DISCUSS THE TOPIC IN CLASS**

1. Identify ONE major claim and evaluate the kind of evidence used to support it?

2. Briefly describe one example from your own experience or someone you know that

is relevant for the topic in this chapter.

3. Identify one thing you **disagree** with about either the theories outlined or the

use of the evidence to support them? Be specific

4. Ask one good question about the chapter.

These will be graded as follows:

2 points: All items addressed correctly

1 point: Incomplete OR missing some details

0 point: Not submitted or very insubstantial

***Chapter Quizzes: DUE – a few days after we finish discussing the chapter in class (see syllabus)***

Each quiz will consist of 10 randomly selected Multiple choice questions for the chapter. You will have 5 chances to improve your grade for the quiz, but keep in mind that each trial may consist of different questions. This quiz will be done online you may consult your textbook but keep in mind and you will have a time limit for each attempt of 15 minutes. You may not consult other people or the internet to complete this quiz. Your grade will be the best answer out of all your submitted attempts before the deadline.

\* *While each quiz is ongoing, you will only be given feedback as to which questions you get right and wrong and it will not indicate the correct answer at that time. The reason for this is to encourage you to actively seek the information in your textbook resource so to better understand the material. After the quiz closes you will be able to review answers with moodle giving you the correct answer to help you study.*

General:

1. Please check your college issued email on a regular basis as it is the most reliable way to contact you outside of class.
2. Please note that the Bermuda College takes Academic honesty seriously. It is a serious violation of trust that is so important for effectiveness higher education. Academic integrity concerns plagiarism and other forms of representing someone else’s work or ideas as your own. Please make sure you understand the seriousness of this policy which you can find described in more detail on page 16 of the Bermuda College Catalogue.

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**SYLLABUS**

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| *Date* | *Topic* | Readings | QUIZ DUE: |
| Aug 26 | Introduction |  |  |
| Aug 28 | Overview of Psychological SCIENCE and THEORY |  |  |
| Aug 30 | Psychology and Success in College |  |  |
| Sep 2 | Labour Day, College Closed |  |  |
| Sep 4 | History and Perspectives of Psychology | Chapter 1 |  |
| Sep 6 | History and Perspectives of Psychology | Chapter 1 |  |
| Sep 9 | [Central Nervous System](\\\\college.bm\\fileprint\\Profile\\jfaries\\Downloads\\resources\\brain and behaviour.asp)  [Neuron Structure; Neural impulse; Synaptic Transmission](\\\\college.bm\\fileprint\\Profile\\jfaries\\Downloads\\resources\\brain and behaviour.asp) | Chapter 2 |  |
| Sep 11 | [Central Nervous System](\\\\college.bm\\fileprint\\Profile\\jfaries\\Downloads\\resources\\brain and behaviour.asp)  [Neuron Structure; Neural impulse; Synaptic Transmission](\\\\college.bm\\fileprint\\Profile\\jfaries\\Downloads\\resources\\brain and behaviour.asp) | Chapter 2 |  |
| Sep 13 | [Central Nervous System](\\\\college.bm\\fileprint\\Profile\\jfaries\\Downloads\\resources\\brain and behaviour.asp)  [Brain Structure](\\\\college.bm\\fileprint\\Profile\\jfaries\\Downloads\\resources\\brain and behaviour.asp) | Chapter 2 |  |
| Sep 16 | [Sensation](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\sensation.asp) | Chapter 4 |  |
| Sep 18 | [Sensation](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\sensation.asp) | Chapter 4 | Ch. 2 Quiz DUE |
| Sep 20 | [Sensation](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\sensation.asp) | Chapter 4 |  |
| Sep 23 | [Perception (Visual Illusions)](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\perception.asp) | Chapter 5 |  |
| Sep 25 | [Perception](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\perception.asp) | Chapter 5 | Ch. 4 Quiz DUE |
| Sep 27 | [Perception](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\perception.asp) | Chapter 5 |  |
| Sep 30 | [Consciousness](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\consciousness.asp) | Chapter 6 |  |
| Oct 2 | [Consciousness](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\consciousness.asp) | Chapter 6 | Ch. 5 Quiz DUE |
| Oct 4 | [Consciousness](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\consciousness.asp) | Chapter 6 |  |
| Oct 7 | MIDTERM EXAMINATION |  |  |
| Oct 8 | Learning Theory |  |  |
| Oct 11 | EXAM REVIEW |  |  |
| Oct 14 | Learning Theory | Chapter 7 |  |
| Oct 16 | Learning Theory | Chapter 7 | Ch. 6 Quiz DUE |
| Oct 18 | MIDTERM BREAK |  |  |
| Oct 21 | Learning Theory | Chapter 7 |  |
| Oct 23 | Learning Theory | Chapter 7 |  |
| Oct 25 | Learning Theory | Chapter 7 |  |
| Oct 28 | [Thought and Language](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\thoughtandlanguage.asp) | Chapter 9 |  |
| Oct 30 | [Thought and Language](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\thoughtandlanguage.asp) | Chapter 9 | Ch. 7 Quiz DUE |
| Nov 1 | [Thought and Language](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\thoughtandlanguage.asp) | Chapter 9 |  |
| Nov 4 | [Memory and Information Processing](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\memory.asp) | Chapter 8 |  |
| Nov 6 | [Memory and Information Processing](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\memory.asp) | Chapter 8 |  |
| Nov 8 | [Memory and Information Processing](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\fh\jfaries\perweb%20temp\FALL%202017\resources\memory.asp) | Chapter 8 |  |
| Nov 11 | Remembrance Day, College closed | Chapter 8 |  |
| Nov 13 | [Memory and Information Processing](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\memory.asp) | Chapter 8 | Ch. 9 Quiz DUE |
| Nov 15 | [Memory and Information Processing](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\memory.asp) | Chapter 8 |  |
| Nov 18 | [Intelligence and Individual Differences](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\individualdifferences.asp) | Chapter 12 |  |
| Nov 20 | [Intelligence and Individual Differences](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\individualdifferences.asp) | Chapter 12 | Ch. 8 Quiz DUE |
| Nov 22 | [Intelligence and Individual Differences](file:///\\college.bm\fileprint\Profile\jfaries\Downloads\resources\individualdifferences.asp) | Chapter 12 |  |
| Nov 25 | Motivation and Emotions | Chapter 10,11 |  |
| Nov 27 | Motivation and Emotions | Chapter 10,11 | Ch. 12 Quiz DUE |
| Nov 29 | Motivation and Emotions | Chapter 10,11 |  |
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| Dec ?? | **Final Exam** | Chapters 1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12 |  |