



Course Description

Immerse yourself in the scientific study of human behavior and cognition. Learn about notable figures and psychological studies. Investigate scientific methods and ethical considerations related to human and animal research. In this college-level course, you will learn about and apply important terms, concepts, and phenomena associated with each major area of psychology and enhance your critical thinking skills. Topics include the biological bases of psychology, sensation and perception, learning, cognition, development, motivation, emotion, personality, psychological disorders, and social psychology.

This is a yearlong course consisting of 9 units. Upon successful completion students will receive 1 credit towards high school graduation.

Course Overview

- **Semester 1**
- Scientific Foundations of Psychology
- Biological Bases of Psychology
- Sensation and Perception
- Cognitive Psychology
- Learning

Semester 2

- Developmental Psychology
- Motivation, Emotion, and Personality
- Clinical Psychology
- Social Psychology

Required Course Materials

Please access the list of course materials from the OC Online book ordering system and order your materials as soon as possible. Oftentimes, course materials are on back order and you may experience a delay in receiving them, causing students to fall behind in their online coursework. When ordering used or rented materials, be careful that online access codes are also current.

Grading Policy

Students will demonstrate mastery through the following formative and summative assessments:

- 40% Assignments
- 10% Participation (Discussion Posts, Live Classes)
- 10% Quizzes
- 25% Final Assessment
- 15% Unit Tests

Additional Course Information

Detailed information regarding OC Online policies on proctored final exams, grading policy, late/missing assignment policy, weekly live classes, course expectations, and additional school policies can be found on the website.