PSYC 3385: Ethnic Minority Psychology

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: PSYC 1101

This course will provide an overview of the study and application of ethnic minority psychology. We will examine concepts and issues that pertain to ethnic minority groups in the United States, particularly the following four groups: African Americans, Asian Americans, Hispanic Americans, and Native Americans. Topics for discussions are: multicultural theory and research, history, cultural values, identity, developmental and family issues, mental health and other relevant issues that are pertinent to the experiences of the above–mentioned four ethnic minority groups in the United States. The course will be conducted with a combination of lectures, class discussion, guest speakers, group activities, student presentations, videos, etc.

PSYC 3395: Psychology of Prejudice and Privilege

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: PSYC 1101

This course focuses on psychological theory and research as mechanisms of understanding prejudice and discrimination. Close attention is paid to how privilege (e.g., racial, gender, sexuality, and/or class privilege) can influence how we perceive ourselves and others within and outside our social/cultural group(s). Coursework may involve readings from both psychology and literature, viewing of relevant films, and participation in experiential learning exercises and dialogues.

PSYC 3398: Internship in Psychology

(2-6) Credit Hours

Prerequisite: PSYC 2500, PSYC 3000, declared major in psychology, permission of the instructor, and any two additional PSYC 3000 level courses.

The Internship in Psychology course is a structured off-campus experience in a supervised setting that is chosen in relation to the student's major and interests. Practical experience is combined with a research approach that investigates issues relevant to the internship. Students meet with the internship coordinator to develop an appropriate plan that leads to the writing of a research-oriented paper or research project, a required part of the internship.