**Psychology**

**PSYC 1001 - Study Management ..........................3.00 Credits**

A survey of study techniques derived from psychological research and learning theory. Its contents include an analysis of student's study behavior, educational attitudes, study concentration, note taking, time management, textbook study, study conditions, scholastic motivation and test-taking skills.

**PSYC 1002 - Basic Skills in**

**Behavioral Science .......................................00 OR 3.00 Credits** Effective communication and critical thinking skills essential to academic and occupational success in the behavioral sciences (Fall-Spring)

**PSYC 1101 - General Psychology..........................3.00 Credits** Introduction to the science of psychology. Major topics including learning, memory, motivation, personality, social behaviors, maturation and development. (Fall- Spring)

**PSYC 2203 - The Profession of Psychology..........3.00 Credits**

A treatment of systems, psychological measurement, bio- logical bases of behavior, sensation and perception, cognitive processes, verbal learning and new advances in the field. Prerequisite: PSYC

1101 (Fall-Spring)

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 or PSY 201 ) or SOC 201*

**PSYC 2240 - Psychology of Stress.........................3.00 Credits** Psychology of factors producing stress in one's daily life with attention to their physiological and psychological effects. Much of the course will deal with developing effective techniques for coping with stress.

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) or PSY 201 or PSY*

*203 or SOC 201*

**PSYC 2250 - Sensation and Perception ................3.00 Credits**

An introduction to sensory process and the psychology of perception. Topics include principles of sensation, organization of visual perception, motivation and perception.

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 or PSY 201 ) or SOC 201*

**PSYC 2260 - Humanistic Psychology ...................3.00 Credits**

An introduction to the philosophy of humanism as treated by

Allport, Rogers, Fromm, Maslow and others.

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 or PSY 201 ) or SOC 201*

**PSYC 2270 - Psychology of Ethics ........................3.00 Credits** Special attention to the ethics of behavioral control, punishment and reward systems; the use of testing and psychological technology in such areas as advertising, propaganda and brainwashing. *Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 or PSY 201 or PSY 203 or SOC 201 )*

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**PSYC 2271 - Practicum I ...........................00 OR 3.00 Credits** This course provides an opportunity for students majoring in Psychology to gain practical experience in agency settings. It can be taken at any level between sophomore and senior status. Students spend a minimum of 10 hours per week in an agency which must be germane to the student's interest and approved by advisor. Students are expected to defray cost of transportation to and from agencies and other professional expenses incidental to this experience. *Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 2203 and PSYC 2270 ) or PSY 203 or PSY*

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**PSYC 2272 - Practicum II..........................00 OR 3.00 Credits** This course provides an opportunity for students to continue in the agency and take a second practicum in an agency that differs from the one used for Practicum I. Students are expected to defray cost of transportation to and from agencies and other professional expenses incidental to this experience.

**Education**

*Prerequisites: PSYC 2203, PSYC 2270, and PSYC 2271. (Fall- Spring)*

**PSYC 2275 - Interviewing Practicum .......00 OR 3.00 Credits** This course provides an opportunity for student to acquire skills necessary for effective interviews with people seeking help. Extensive use is made of role plays by student which are videotaped and replayed for analysis. Course gives attention to interviewing families, as well as, individuals, securing needed information, handling racial difficulties, handling anger, and handling client requests.(Fall-Spring).

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**PSYC 2280 - Psychology of Women ......................3.00 Credits** The changing role of women with specific attention to economic, socia and emotional independence goals of women; adjustment to new status by women and ways of the public on the role of the "new woman."

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*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 or PSY 201 ) or SOC 201*

**PSYC 2282 - Hum Behavior**

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**& the Environment ......................................00 OR 3.00 Credits** Examines the ecological approach to human behavior, enabling the student to identify the stages and characteristics of normal human growth and development within the context of the social environment. Covered is psycho-social development from before birth to old age, the impact of environment, family functioning and group functioning.

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 or PSY 201 ) or SOC 201*

**PSYC 2290 - Found of Learning & Motivation ...3.00 Credits** Examines the critical impact of experience on human thought and behavior. Emphasis is placed on the process and principles which have been shown to underlie human learning, memory, and motivation. Social warning and cognitive approaches are discussed

as well as behavioral approaches.

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**PSYC 2295 - Psychology of Adjustment ...............3.00 Credits** Focus on adjustment and personal growth. Topics include adjustment problems and psychotherapy, stress and defense coping, assertive and self-directed behaviors.

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*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 or PSY 201 or PSY 203*

*or SOC 201 )*

**PSYC 2296 - Psychology of Human Sexuality .....3.00 Credits** Surveys the numerous psychological, social, and cultural factors affecting human sexual behavior. Topics include values and sexual decision-making, sexual anatomy and physiology, research methods, sexual diversity, sex education, reproduction, sexually transmitted diseases, sexual disorders and therapeutic techniques. *Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) or PSY 201 or PSY*

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**PSYC 3000 - Industrial Psychology ......................3.00 Credits**

A course designed to acquaint the student with the application of psychological principles of human interaction in industrial and business settings, personnel selection, job evaluation, advertising and other business-management areas.

**Business**

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) or PSY 201 or PSY*

*203 or SOC 201*

**PSYC 3001 - Child Psychology..............................3.00 Credits**

A concentration on the emerging self into adolescence. Focus on perceptual-motor, interpersonal and cognitive self systems. Topics include heredity, prenatal, physical, cognitive and emotional development.

**Education**

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) or PSY 201 or PSY*

*203 or SOC 201*

**PSYC 3002 - Adolescent Psychology.....................3.00 Credits** The mental, moral, emotional and social development of the adolescent young adult. A critical evaluation of the adolescent's problems, needs, interests and potentials.

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*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) and PSYC 3001 or*

*PSY 201 or PSY 203 or PSY 300 or SOC 201*

**PSYC 3302 - Intro to Exceptional Children.........3.00 Credits**

A course designed to acquaint the student with the trends, etiology, growth and development, characteristics, needs and problems of exceptional children.

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*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) or PSY 201 or PSY*

*203 or SOC 201*

**PSYC 3307 - Physiological Psychology.................3.00 Credits**

A course designed to familiarize the students with the physiological bases of behavior, the nervous system, the endocrine system and research techniques in physiological psychology.

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*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) or PSY 201 or PSY*

*203 or SOC 301*

**PSYC 3309 - Intro to Psychopharmacology.........3.00 Credits** The roles of psychotropic agents in society and the treatment of mental illness and behavioral disorders regarding psychotropic agents will be examined.

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) and PSYC 2270 and*

*PSYC 3307 or PSY 201 or PSY 203 or PSY 307 or PSY 270*

**PSYC 3310 - Drug Physiology/Classification.......3.00 Credits**

\The course examines the principles of drug action and physiology. Drug classification, tolerance, dependence, and models of addiction

will be topics that are emphasized.

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) and PSYC 3307 or*

*PSY 201 or PSY 203 or PSY 307 or SOC 201*

**PSYC 3311 - Substance Abuse & Treatment........3.00 Credits** This course examines substance abuse and dependence, substance intervention techniques, and methods of treatment. Other topics will include impact of substance abuse on the family and the community and an analysis of rehabilitation methods. *Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 3307 ) and PSYC 3310 or PSY 201 or PSY 330 or PSY 203 and PSYC 2203 and PSY 307 or SOC 201*

**PSYC 3312 - Intro to Group Process ....................3.00 Credits**

A review of the basic group concepts, treatment techniques, and empirical research that supports the clinical and counseling uses of group procedures with client populations. Ethical standards are also reviewed in this course.

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) or PSY 201 or PSY*

*203 or SOC 201*

**PSYC 3320 - Psychology of Personality................3.00 Credits**

A systematic study of the natural development of personality. Emphasis is placed on empirical findings, concepts and theories derived from experimental and clinical research.

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) or PSY 201 or PSY*

*203 or SOC 201*

**PSYC 3322 - Abnormal Psychology ......................3.00 Credits**

A study of various areas encompassed within the term "abnormal behavior". Emphasis is placed upon the restrictive milieu of the mentally ill, therapy, techniques and the symptomatology of emotional disturbances.

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) or PSY 201 or PSY*

*203 or SOC 201*

**PSYC 3324 - Culture & Personality Develop.......3.00 Credits**

A study of cultural focuses that influence the development of personality. Topics include socialization, nurture vs. nature, social differentiation, language and geographical variation. *Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) and PSYC 3320 and SOCI 2011 or PSY 201 or PSY 203 or PSY 320 or SOC 201*

**PSYC 3329 - Community Mental Health .............3.00 Credits** This course is designed to emphasize the effects of social systems on human adjustment and functioning. Social planning is considered as a means for promoting positive mental health. Topics include community resources, effective service and delivery and utilization of human services and program evaluation. Observation and "laboratory"/field experiences will be required.

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) or PSY 201 or PSY*

*203 or SOC 201*

**PSYC 3340 - Psychology of Religion.....................3.00 Credits**

A course designed to examine the psychological aspect of religion. The topics include the impact of religious attitudes, perception and sensory activities of the individual.

**PSYC 3353 - Counseling the Aged ........................3.00 Credits**

A survey of programs in later life and an overview of related counseling techniques.

*Prerequisite(s): ( SOCI 3350 and PSYC 2203 ) or SOC 350 or PSY*

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**PSYC 3370 - Intro to Behavioral Modification ...3.00 Credits** Focuses on the application of operant conditioning and cognitive control techniques to improve behavior in a variety of therapeutic settings and everyday situations. Details on how to implement, use and evaluate various techniques are discussed along with related ethical issues.

**PSYC 3371 - Juvenile Delinquency.......................3.00 Credits** The nature and extent of juvenile delinquency, analysis of patterns and sociological theories of causation, the role of the police and the courts.

*Prerequisite(s): ( SOCI 2011 and PSYC 2203 ) or SOC 201 or SOC*

*203*

**PSYC 3372 - Psyc and the Black Perspective ......3.00 Credits** Designed to examine the basic principles and theories of psychology as it relates to African Americans and African people. Additionally, the course will explain methodological techniques and develop in the student a critical, questioning attitude toward the interpretation of the results of the defining features and relationships of psychology from an African American and African people perspective to the understanding of human behavior. There is not a prerequisite for this course. This is not an additional course for graduation, nor will this course increase the number of hour for the program but can be used as one of the twenty seven (27) hours in the psychology area.

**PSYC 3403 - Cross-Cultural Psyc .........................3.00 Credits** Provides a multicultural and global perspective on human development. Its focus is on how culture influences our thoughts and behavior by integrating theoretical and applied components of cross- cultural psychology with traditional and contemporary perspectives in human development across the life span. There is not a prerequisite for this course. This is not an additional course for graduation, nor will this course increase the number of hours for the program but can be used as one of the twenty seven (27) hours in the psychology area.

**PSYC 4000 - World Psychology**

**and Global Issues .....................................................3.00 Credits** Will introduce students to the field of World Psychology with the attempt to stimulate their minds about different cultures and the impact of psychology in foreign cultures: examining the impact of mental health, psychological stress, life, music, literature and customs. This course will introduce different theoretical approaches to the treatment of mental patients in other countries by allowing students to explore issues and conditions which impact family, and religious and cultural factors in different countries. It will focus on current research perspectives on the effectiveness of psychotherapy and drug therapy as it relates to mental disorders in other countries and legal issues with a global perspective. There is not a prerequisite for this course. This is not an additional course for graduation, nor will this course increase the number of hours for the program but can be uses as one of the twenty seven (27) hours in the psychology area.

**PSYC 4002 - Mental Health/Global Perspective .3.00 Credits** Course will develop in the student an understanding of the basic principles and theories of Psychology as it relates to cultures. To expose the student to the carious concepts of Psychology and how they differ with regards to cultures. There is not a prerequisite for this course. This is not an additional course for graduation nor will this course increase the number of hours for the program but can be used as one of the twenty seven (27) in the psychology area.

**PSYC 4300 - Behavioral Statistics ........................3.00 Credits**

An introduction to statistical concepts, methods and techniques used in behavioral sciences. Topics include frequency distribution, graphs, measures of central, tendency, variability, standard scores and the normal curve, co relational techniques, hypothesis testing, sampling, theory, and the significance of differences.

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*Prerequisite(s): MATH 1111*

**PSYC 4304 - Behavioral Research ........................3.00 Credits**

An introduction to research procedures used in the behavioral sciences including experimental design, research methodology and scientific writing.

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 4300 or SOCI 4300 ) or PSY 304 or SOC 303*

**PSYC 4305 - Intro to Experimental Psychology..3.00 Credits** Emphasis placed on the application of experimental methods to the study of psychological phenomena, especially in the areas of learning. Selected laboratory experiments, demonstrations and collateral reading of experiments.

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*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 US C or PSY 201 UG C or SOC 201*

*UG C ) and (PSYC 2203 US C or PSY 203 UG C )*

**PSYC 4400 - Health Psychology............................3.00 Credits** The educational, scientific and professional contributions of the discipline of psychology to the promotion and maintenance of mental and physical health.

**Education**

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) or PSY 201 or PSY*

*203 or SOC 201*

**PSYC 4401 - Psychology of Aging .........................3.00 Credits** Examines the psychological aspects of aging with emphasis on the sensory processes, learning, psychomotor performance, mental functioning, motivation, and interactions in health- behavior relations during the latter years of the life cycle.

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*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) or PSY 201 or PSY*

*203 or PSY 201*

**PSYC 4411 - Seminar in Family Dynamics ..........3.00 Credits**

An examination of socio-cultural and sociopsychological forces that influence family. Topics will include mobility aspirations, social stratification, religion, education, and geographical location.

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*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) or PSY 201 or PSY*

*203 or PSY 20*

**PSYC 4421 - Principle of**

**Psychological Testing ...................................00 OR 3.00 Credits** Emphasis on the empirical scientific approach to the construction, standardization, validation and interpretation of psychological tests. Critical examination of the more important types of tests and measurements. Special attention is given to the problems of testing minority groups. Laboratory exercises are required.

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*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203 ) or PSY 201 or PSY*

*203 or SOC 201*

**PSYC 4422 - Diag and Assess Except Child .........3.00 Credits**

A course designed to place emphasis on the identification of exceptional children and the use of formal and informal assessment techniques for initial assessment of individual educational plans. *Prerequisite(s): (PSYC 3302 and PSYC 4421) or PSY 365 or PSY 421*

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**Ind Difference...............................................00 OR 3.00 Credits** Emphasizes the clinical assessment of intelligence, personal and social adjustment. In addition to classroom experiences, students practice administering, scoring, and interpreting a variety of standardized tests. Report writing is also stressed.

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 4421 or PSY 421 ) and PSYC 1101 or PSY*

*201 or SOC 201 and PSYC 2203 or PSY 203*

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**PSYC 4425 - Introduction to Counseling .............3.00 Credits**

An introduction to the principles and techniques of counseling with emphasis on counseling approaches. Major topics include the counselor's role and function, counseling viewpoints and practices, conditions which influence counseling and contemporary issues in counseling.

*Prerequisite(s): ( PSYC 2203 or PSY 203 ) and PSYC 1101 or SOC*

*201 or PSY 201*

**PSYC 4456 - Honors Course in Psychology .........3.00 Credits** Reading in a specialized area of psychology under the direction of an instructor.

**Business**

*Prerequisite: senior with "B" average and approval of instructor.*

*(Spring).*

**PSYC 4464 - Social Psychology .............................3.00 Credits** Scientific study of the experience and behavior of individuals in relation to other individuals, groups and cultures. View individuals against a background of social forces with emphasis on the relationship between social interaction and the behavior of individuals.

**Education**

*Prerequisites: PSYC 1101 or SOCI 2011 [Fall-Spring]*

**PSYC 4465 - History and Systems of Psychology3.00 Credits**

A course designed to deal with the systems and historical background of modern psychology with emphasis on the development of scientific and behavioral approaches.

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*Prerequisites: PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203. [Spring]*

**PSYC 4470 - Practicum in Psychology I ...00 OR 3.00 Credits** May not be enrolled in one of the following Class(s): Junior. The focus will be on testing, diagnosis and problem evaluation under the direction of professional counselors. Counselor responsibilities and ethical codes will be covered. Students will have professional experience opportunities related largely to on-campus sites such as the counseling center. Written reports and evaluation of experiences will berequired.

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*Prerequisites: junior standing, PSYC 2270 and PSYC 2271 [Fall- Spring]*

**PSYC 4471 - Practicum in Psychology II .00 OR 3.00 Credits** Emphasis on supervised group and individual counseling experiences in cooperation with an experienced counselor. Staffing and appropriate therapy models will be included. Experiences will include both on-campuses and off-campus settings. Written reports and evaluation of experiences will be included.

**Course**

**Descriptions**

*Prerequisite: PSYC 4470 [Fall-Spring]*

**PSYC 4472 - Practicum in Psychology III.00 OR 3.00 Credits** Opportunity for individual therapy cases under the supervision of the student's counselor. Therapy settings will be largely off- campus. Written reports and evaluation of experiences will be *included. Prerequisite: PSYC 4471*

**PSYC 4492 - Independent Study ...............00 OR 3.00 Credits** Offers opportunities for students to design and pursue a course of study via contractual arrangements with a sponsoring faculty member. Detailed information and description of requirements can be obtained from the department office. [Fall-Spring]

*Prerequisites: PSYC 1101 and PSYC 2203.*

**PSYC 4499 - Psychological Seminar.....................3.00 Credits** May not be enrolled in one of the following Program(s): Psychology May not be enrolled in one of the following Class(s): Senior. A seminar that will provide a comprehensive review of concepts in all areas of the psychology curriculum in preparation for the Graduate Record Examination. The course is intended only for senior psychology majors.

*Prerequisite: Psychology seniors. [Fall-Spring]*