### **PSYCH 48 Course Outline as of Spring 2011**

## **CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: PSYCH 48 Title: SPECIAL TOPICS-PSYCH

Full Title: Special Current Topics in Psychology

Last Reviewed: 8/1/1981

Units		Course Hours per Week	]	Nbr of Weeks	<b>Course Hours Total</b>	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	1.00	Lab Scheduled	0	17	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 04 - Different Topics

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

#### **Catalog Description:**

Intensive study of selected topics of current importance in psychology by an instructor who has specialized in that area. Particular emphasis is listed in the Class Schedule. Purpose of the course is to stimulate serious thought by means of an in-depth presentation.

#### **Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

Psych 1A or equivalent.

# **Recommended Preparation:**

Eligibility for ENGL 100 or ESL 100.

#### **Limits on Enrollment:**

#### **Schedule of Classes Information:**

Description: Intensive study of selected topics of current importance in psychology. (Grade or

P/NP)

Prerequisites/Corequisites: Psych 1A or equivalent. Recommended: Eligibility for ENGL 100 or ESL 100.

Limits on Enrollment:

**Transfer Credit:** 

Repeatability: Different Topics

# **ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**IGETC:** Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**CSU Transfer:** Effective: Inactive:

**UC Transfer:** Effective: Inactive:

CID:

#### Certificate/Major Applicable:

Not Certificate/Major Applicable

# **COURSE CONTENT**

# **Outcomes and Objectives:**

Students completing this course will be able to comprehend and demonstrate basic knowledgeability in the following areas. They will also be expected to apply, analyze, synthesize, and evaluate their knowledge and comprehension of the same materials.

## **Topics and Scope:**

- 1. History of the Study of Consciousness.
- 2. Psychological Theories of Consciousness.
- 3. The Central Nervous System.
- 4. Biofeedback.
- 5. Hypnosis.
- 6. Meditation.
- 7. Sensory Deprivation.
- 8. Dreams.
- 9. Consciousness Altering Substance.
- 10. Artificial Intelligence.

# **Assignment:**

Students in this class will be required to do approximately 2 hours of homework for each lecture hour of the following nature:

Objective question work sheets

Written reports

Critical-thought essays

Written reaction papers

Written answers to problems and questions

Reading of assigned articles and textbook material

#### Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

**Writing:** Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Term papers

Writing 10 - 25%

**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

Problem solving 0 - 0%

**Skill Demonstrations:** All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

None

Skill Demonstrations 0 - 0%

**Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Multiple choice

Exams 75 - 90%

**Other:** Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

None

Other Category 0 - 0%

# **Representative Textbooks and Materials:**

Ornstein, Robert THE PSYCHOLOGY OF CONSCIOUSNESS. Wallace, B. and L. Fisher CONSCIOUSNESS AND BEHAVIOR.