PSYCH 7 Course Outline as of Fall 2020

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: PSYCH 7 Title: THEORIES OF PERSONALITY

Full Title: Theories of Personality

Last Reviewed: 12/9/2019

Units		Course Hours per Week	•	Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	0	4	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 Only

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

Catalog Description:

An examination of basic concepts, principles, and development of major theories of personality and their practical applications to social interactions, psychopathology, and treatment.

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended Preparation:

Eligibility for ENGL 1A or equivalent

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:

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personality and their practical applications to social interactions, psychopathology, and

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Limits on Enrollment: Transfer Credit: CSU;UC. Repeatability: Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive:

D Social and Behavioral Sciences Fall 2007

CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

D Social Science Fall 2007

D9 Psychology

E Lifelong Learning and Self

Development

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

4 Social and Behavioral Science Fall 2007

4I Psychology

CSU Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 2007 Inactive:

UC Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 2007 Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Both Certificate and Major Applicable

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Identify the research foundation and major theoretical perspectives that explain the development of human personality.
- 2. Apply knowledge of the personality theories and perspectives of "self" to people of other cultures.

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Discuss criteria used to define personality and understand personality theory.
- 2. Summarize the methods for studying and assessing personality theories.
- 3. Explain key characteristics of personality theory.
- 4. Apply the critical thinking process to evaluate personality theories.
- 5. Describe the following major theories of personality:
 - A. Psychodynamic
 - B. Behavioral and Social Learning
 - C. Cognitive
 - D. Humanistic
 - E. Biological
 - F. Trait
 - G. Interpersonal Relations
 - H. Alternative Perspective on Personality (e.g., non-Western, spiritual and religious, gender, or historical)
- 6. Apply personality theories and concepts to social interactions, psychopathology, and treatment.

- 7. Compare and contrast the strengths and weaknesses of major theories of personality.
- 8. Critically appraise the applicability of the major theories of personality in relation to gender, culture and ethnicity.
- 9. Summarize the current status and describe the future direction of the field of personality theory research.

Topics and Scope:

- I. Introduction to Personality and Personality Theory
- II. Personality Research Methods
- III. Psychodynamic Perspective of Personality
- IV. Behavioral and Social Learning Perspective of Personality
- V. Cognitive and Social-Cognitive Perspective of Personality
- VI. Humanistic and Existential Perspective of Personality
- VII. Interpersonal Relations Perspective of Personality
- VIII. Biological Perspective of Personality
- IX. Trait Perspective of Personality
- X. Practical Applications
 - A. Social Interactions B. Psychopathology
 - C. Treatment
- XI. Contextualizing Personality
 - A. Gender
 - B. Culture
 - C. Ethnicity
- XII. The Future of Personality Theories
 - A. Research
 - B. Treatment
- 11. Gender, Cultural, and Ethnic Differences in Understanding Personality

Assignment:

- 1. Read approximately 35 pages per week
- 2. Writing assignment that may include research, experiential, response, or project for a minimum of 1,250 words
- 3. Quizzes, exams, and a final
- 4. Oral presentation and/or group project may be assigned

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.

Research, experiential, response, or project paper

Writing 30 - 60%

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.

Quizzes, Exams, and a Final

Exams 40 - 60%

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

Oral presentation and/or group project

Other Category 0 - 10%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Personality. 10th ed. Burger, Jerry. Cengage. 2019

Theories of Personality. 9th ed. Feist, Jess and Feist, Gregory and Roberts, Tomi-Ann. McGraw-Hill. 2018

Personality: Classic Theories and Modern Research. 6th ed. Friedman, Howard and Schustack, Miriam. Pearson. 2016

Personality Puzzle. 7th ed. Funder, David. W.W. Norton Company. 2016