PSYCH 7 Course Outline as of Fall 2007

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	17.5	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:

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:

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treatment. (Grade Only)
Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended:

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:

Major Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Outcomes and Objectives:

Upon completion of this course, students will able to:

- 1. Define personality and personality theory.
- 2. Summarize the methods for studying and assessing personality theories.
- 3. Explain key characteristics of a good personality theory.
- 4. Apply the critical thinking process to evaluate personality theories taught in the course.
- 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 explaining social interactions, psychopathology, and treatment.
- 7. Compare and contrast the strengths and weaknesses of the major theories of personality in number 3.
- 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:

- 1. What is Personality and Personality Theory?
- 2. Characteristics of a Good Theory of Personality
- 3. How is Personality Studied and Assessed?
- 4. The Psychodynamic Perspective
- 5. The Behavioral and Social Learning Perspective
- 6. The Cognitive Perspective
- 7. The Humanistic Perspective
- 8. The Biological Perspective
- 9. The Trait Perspective
- 10. The Interpersonal Relations Perspective
- 11. Theories of personality and their practical applications to social interactions, psychopathology, and treatment.
- 12. Gender, Cultural, and Ethnic Differences Western and non-Western
- 13. Scope and Outlook for the Future of Personality Theories

Assignment:

- 1. Read, approximagely 25-35 pages per week and digest assigned material in the textbook and supplements.
- 2. Two midterm exams and one final on lecture, reading concepts and terminology.
- 3. A term or research paper approximately 5-8 pages in length for the purpose of applying personality theories, enhancing course knowledge, and improving writing skills.
- 4. Oral presentations (optional).

Research Paper(s)

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.

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-

computational problem solving skills.

None

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

None

Problem solving 0 - 0%

Writing

50 - 75%

Skill Demonstrations 0 - 0%

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

Multiple choice, True/false, Fill-in, Short answer

Exams 25 - 50%

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

Oral presentations, class discussions

Other Category 0 - 10%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Friedman, Howard, S.; Schustack, Miriam W.

PERSONALITY: CLASSIC THEORIES AND MODERN RESEARCH, 2nd ed., Allyn & Bacon, 2003.

Allen, Ben P.

PERSONALITY THEORIES: DEVELOPMENT, GROWTH, AND DIVERSITY, Allyn & Bacon, 2003.

Frager, Robert; Fadiman, James

PERSONALITY AND PERSONAL GROWTH, 6th ed., Prentice-Hall, 2005.

Burger, Jerry M.

PERSONALITY, 6th ed., Wadsworth, 2004.