

CAMOSUN COLLEGE

PSYC 110 - INTRODUCTION TO EXPERIMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY

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LAB HOURS : Gp. A - _____ Gp. B - _____ Gp. C - _____

OFFICE HOURS: _____ To be announced in class

TEXT: Lab. Concepts Manual by Johnny Mak

PREREQUISITES: English 12 or assessment, & Math 10 highly recommended; Math 11 recommended

COURSE ORGANIZATION:

Two hours each week will be devoted to lecture and discussion, and two hours will be spent in the psychology laboratory participating in experiments as either a subject or an experimenter.

COURSE OBJECTIVES / OUTCOMES:

In this course we will look at the basic research methods of psychology and how they apply to the study of human experience and behavior. We will practice being psychologists by designing, running, and being subjects in simple experiments and studies. We will also study specific topics such as neuropsychology, genetics, intelligence, testing, sensation, perception, learning and memory. Students will develop a comprehensive understanding of the topics, the perspectives and the research methods in psychology as well as a critical thinking from a psychological perspective.

COURSE EVALUATION:

1. **Weekly Quizzes**

There is a short quiz given approximately each week at the start of _____ lecture. These quizzes will be on a specific portion of material covered in the lectures and the text. The purpose of these quizzes is to ensure that students keep up on their text reading so as to enhance active learning and participation in lectures. If you missed (or are late for) the quiz, it will not be available later (unless with a medical note).

2. **Tests**

There are two tests covering material from the lectures, labs and the text.

3. Lab Assignments

There are **written assignments** for every lab. Assignments will **NOT** be accepted for labs that are missed. All lab assignments **must** be submitted to **Grace's office** (F-312). **Due date** is the *next* _____ following the lab.

4. Participation & Attendance

Participation is a **required** part of the course. There are **class exercises**, group discussion and video **worksheets** to be done in lectures. If you missed the lectures, your respective participation marks will **not** be available afterward (unless with a medical note).

Participation & Attendance	Marks
100%	??
Missed 1 lecture	5
2	4
3	3
4	2
5	1

It is important to read the **assigned** text material **PRIOR** to the lecture on that subject. This will help you to understand the lecture and participate in the discussion /exercise /worksheet. See the **Schedule of Activities** for **assigned reading**.

EVALUATION:

Participation (classwork) & Attendance	5%
Weekly Quizzes	20%
Lab participation and assignments	40%
Test #1	15%
Test #2	20%

A+	95-100	Superior levels of achievement (Follow ALL instructions and GET BEYOND)
A	90-94	
A-	85-89	
B+	80-84	High levels of achievement (Follow ALL instructions)
B	75-79	
B-	70-74	
C+	65-69	Average level of achievement (DON'T follow instructions)
C	60-64	
D	50-59	Minimum level of achievement
F	< 50	Minimum level not achieved

POLICY:**A. Important rules and guidelines**

1. Work needs to be handed in on time. **Late** penalty is **10 marks** (i.e. 10%) off per day. Make-up for missed/late quizzes/tests would be granted ONLY WITH a medical note and has to be taken within 2 weeks and will NOT be available after two weeks (*no exceptions please*).
2. It is the responsibility of the students to check the posted marks regularly (outside F306) to make sure that they are accurate (e.g. no missing or wrong entries). Marks of assignments/quizzes/tests will NOT be considered for review or change after one month from the due date (*no exceptions please*).
3. Make sure you sign the attendance sheet in every class. If you fail to sign, you CANNOT make it up after the class (*to be fair*).
4. Any questions about the quizzes must be put in writing PLUS textbook references before considerations/responses can be made. Thanks.
5. If you have missed a lecture, please ask "3" before me. What and why? Buddy Up Now!!
6. Please ask questions during (questions related to lecture) OR after (other psyc. questions) the lecture. Please don't ask questions right before the lecture. Why?

B. How to get the most marks out of your assignments:

(Instructions for assignments write-up.)

1. Please put down ALL details on front page of assignments (ie, Full Name, **Class Number, Section No., Student ID No., Course No., Instructor's name, topic and date)
2. Please STAPLE all your assignments at LEFT TOP CORNER (no paper clips, no folders and no loose sheets please).
3. All psychological reports must be TYPED (except worksheet assignments to be filled in with ball point pens - no pencils please)
4. ALL assignments must be completed before the final grade is assigned.
5. Assignments that are "identical" or "copied" between students will be given 0% for ALL students with identical work. In case of cheating on a test or quiz, the whole test/quiz will be given an 0%. In lab studies, any fabricated data will constitute a severe offence. Disciplinary action will be taken by College Administration.
6. **Late assignments or assignments not picked up in class can be picked up in F-312.
(Grace's office)

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Week/Date	Topic (and <u>Assigned Readings</u>)	Test	Lab
1.	Introduction Scope of Psychology	---	Lab
2.	Experimental Method Experimental Method	---	Lab
3.	Statistics Nervous System	Quiz #1 (Ch.)	Lab
4.	Brain Brain	---	Lab
5.	Genetics Genetics	Quiz #2 (Ch.)	Lab
6.	Intelligence Intelligence	---	Lab
7.	Testing Testing	Quiz #3 (Ch.)	Lab
8.	Test #1 Test #1	Test #1 Test #1	Lab
9.	Sensation Perception	Quiz #4 (Ch.)	Lab
10.	Perception Learning	---	Lab
11.	Learning Learning	Quiz #5 (Ch.)	Lab
12.	Applications of Learning Memory	Quiz #6 (Ch.)	Lab
13.	Memory Memory	Quiz #7 (Ch.)	Lab
14.	Review Q & A		Lab
15.	Test #2	Test #2	

This schedule may be flexible and any changes will be discussed in class.

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