

**HIGH SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY
COURSE SYLLABUS
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Textbook DO NOT PURCHASE -- BOOK WILL BE BILLED BY THE SCHOOL:

Thinking About Psychology The Science of Mind and Behavior (second edition), Worth Publishers, 2008. ISBN10 #0716785005 ISBN13 #9780716785002

Notebooks:

Although, notebook binders are not graded, they are highly recommended. The student is responsible for organization of the following:

1. Notes (to be taken everyday in class)
2. Homework (to be done on 8 ½ x 11 college rule paper)
3. Tests and Quizzes (retain for final exam review)
4. Handouts

Grades:

1. Letter grades and percentage points will be given for all tests/quizzes, homework, and major projects.
2. Grades are determined according to the following percentage values:
 - a. Tests 50%
 - b. Quizzes: 25%
 - c. Homework 25%
3. Semester grades are determined by averaging the grades of the previous 2 quarters' grades, the grade the student receives on his or her final semester exam, along with the semester project.
 - a. Quarter grades: 80%
 - b. Semester Final Exam: 10%
 - c. Semester Project: 10%

Late and Missing Work

1. The student is responsible to inquire about work missed during his or her absence.
2. Late work due to an excused absence is made up without penalty. The assignment(s) must be turned in by the next school day following the excused absence.
3. All unexcused late work will be accepted any time prior to the end of the quarter; however, that assignment will receive a grade no higher than a "C".
4. All missing work will receive an "F" at the end of the quarter.

Classroom Rules – Respect is the key!

1. Respect your classmates
2. Respect the teacher
3. Respect yourself

Classroom Procedures - TBA

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OBJECTIVE: To learn and understand the basic principles of psychology and to analyze how those principles impact every day life.

QUARTER 1

METHODS DOMAIN

- Chp. 1 Introductory Chapter
- Chp. 2 Research Strategies and Statistics

BIOPHYSICAL DOMAIN

- Chp. 3 Biological Bases of Behavior
- Chp. 4 Sensation and Perception

QUARTER 2

- Chp. 5 Motivation and Emotion
- Chp. 6 Stress and Health

DEVELOPMENTAL DOMAIN

- Chp. 7 Life-Span Development
- Chp. 8 Personality

SEMESTER PROJECT: Research Project (TBA)

QUARTER 3

COGNITIVE DOMAIN

- Chp. 9 Learning
- Chp. 10 Memory
- Chp. 11 Consciousness
- Chp. 12 Intelligence

QUARTER 4

VARIATIONS IN INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP BEHAVIOR DOMAIN

- Chp. 13 Psychological Disorders
- Chp. 14 Therapy
- Chp. 15 Social Psychology

SEMESTER PROJECT: Research Project (TBA)

Disclaimer: The instructor reserves the sole and complete right to modify this syllabus at any time and in anyway she sees fit.