

PSY 1010: Principles of Psychology (Spring 2014)

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- Text: Psychology: The Core^{stt} edition, by Morris & Maisto

Date	Topic	Chapter
Jan 7	snow day	
Jan 9	Science and history of psychology	1
Jan 14	Biological bases of behavior	2
Jan 16	Biological bases of behavior	2
Jan 21	Left brain, right brain	
Jan 23	Sensation and perception	3
Jan 28	snow day	
Jan 30	Sensation and perception	3
Feb 4	States of consciousness	4
Feb 6	Learning and conditioning	5
Feb 11	Exam I (chs. 1-5)	
Feb 13	Memory	6
Feb 18	Cognition and mental abilities	7
Feb 20	& R J Q L W L R Q D Q G P H Q W D O D E L O Z W L H V F R Q W ¶ G	
Feb 25	Motivation and emotion	8
Feb 27	O R W L Y D W L R Q D Q G H P R W L R Q F R Q W ¶ G	
Mar 4	NO CLASS (Spring Break)	
Mar 6	NO CLASS (Spring Break)	
Mar 11	Life-span development	9
Mar 13	Life-span development	9

Date	Topic	Chapter
Mar 18	Exam II (chs. 6-9)	
Mar 20	Personality	10
Mar 25	Personality, F R Q W ¶ G	10
Mar 27	Stress and health psychology	11
Apr 1	Psychological disorders	12
Apr 3	NO CLASS	
Apr 8	3 V \ F K R O R J L F D O G L V R U G H U V F R I Q W ¶ G	12
Apr 10	Therapies	13
Apr 15	Social psychology	14
Apr 17	NO CLASS	
Apr 22	Social p V \ F K R O R J \ F R Q W ¶ G	14
Apr 24	6 R F L D O S V \ F K R O R J \ F R Q W ¶ G	14
FINAL EXAM (chs. 10-14): Friday, May 2, 12:30-2:30 pm		

COURSE INFORMATION

Rationale: The purpose of this course is to provide you with an overview of the science of human behavior. Given the importance, complexity, and variability of the brain, mind, and society, we be touching on a very wide range of topics, from the workings of individual brain cells to the way our minds process information, the variety of mental illnesses, and the nature of our social interactions. It is hoped that this material will help deepen your understanding and appreciation of other courses you will take at UT, from biology and sociology to history and philosophy.

Format: The basic format for the course will consist of lectures. However, class questions are not only permitted, they are encouraged.

Attendance: Attendance is not mandatory at UT, and it is now up to college students to manage their time responsibly and effectively. However, regular attendance is HIGHLY recommended. Our textbook covers a very large amount of material, only some of which will end up being covered on the exams. The content of lectures will provide students a strong guideline for distinguishing between the critical material covered in lecture that will constitute the bulk of exam questions and other secondary material that will not be covered in lecture and will constitute a small percentage of exam questions. Also, the instructor will learn about the material both from the way the book presents it and from the alternate way in which the instructor presents it.

Grading: Exams are graded on the basis of a modified curve that will be explained in class. Each of the three exams will be worth one third of the final grade. Exams will consist of (mostly) multiple-choice questions, along with one or two short answer questions. The final exam will